

Faculty Affairs News 171 July 29, 2021

Returning to Campus: Faculty Listening Session

For those of you who missed the Return to Campus Faculty Listening Session a link to the recording is provided [here](#).

Summer Commencement Schedule

Wednesday, August 18, 2021

7 p.m. – College of Business, School of Social Work

Thursday, August 19, 2021

3 p.m. – College of Nursing and Health Innovation

7 p.m. – College of Architecture, Planning and Public Affairs, College of Education, College of Engineering, College of Liberal Arts, College of Science, Division of Student Success, Honors College

Saturday, August 21, 2021

6 p.m. – Virtual

Windows Endpoint Management - Teams Live Event

Join us for a [Teams Live Event](#) on Friday, July 30 at 3:30pm to learn about the Windows Endpoint Management project and what you need to do to update your device. We will review the Preparedness Toolkit to explain how the project will impact departments and employees.

External Email Messages Update

Beginning August 5, users will see [External] on all emails sent from outside the University. This serves as an added layer of protection to caution users about opening external emails. Visit the [OIT Website](#) to learn more.

Changes and Updates of Teams Meetings

On August 14, Microsoft will store recordings of Teams meetings in OneDrive or SharePoint and perform upgrades to Stream. This will improve access to recordings, but certain features will be temporarily unavailable. Visit the [OIT Website](#) to learn about this important change.

Reporting Education/Training for University Employees

Texas Statute requires UTA to report spending greater than \$5,000 per person per individual education or training course towards a professional license, certification, or degree. UTA reports this information to the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) on August 31 of each fiscal year. Click here to access a spreadsheet template with more information on reporting required expenditures to the Office of Procurement & Payment Services.

Completed spreadsheets must be emailed to Julia Cornwell, Sr. Director of Procurement & Payment Services, at cornwell@uta.edu

New UTA WiFi on Campus

While you are on campus you may notice that there is a new WiFi network "UTA WiFi". It is recommended that you change the settings on your devices to forget the "UTA Auto Login" network and use the "UTA WiFi" network for better service.

Student Rosters in Teams

Student rosters will be loaded into Teams course shells beginning on Monday, August 2. The shells will be populated with students who registered in MyMav.

Echo360 Active Learning Platform

The campus' classroom capture system, Echo360, is being expanded over the summer. Echo360 hardware is installed in 89 rooms on the main campus and at the Fort Worth campus. A complete list can be found at Educational Technology's [Echo360 Information Page](#). Echo360 also offers software to allow any classroom or lab PC to be able to record and stream live. Instructors can also upload videos from mobile devices to add to their section's course content. Echo360's instructor portal allows you to see the usage of your recorded content by each of your students.

You can see all of the features Echo360 offers at UTA at [echo360.com](#).

For more information, you can contact Don Lane with Educational Technology Support Services at dklane@uta.edu.

UTA Leadership Academy

The UTA Leadership Academy is designed as a broad leadership development program that includes the essential characteristics and skills needed to be an effective leader in a higher education environment.

It is a program that will focus on practical leadership topics, issues within higher education, and personal leadership development. The program is based on a semester cohort of fifteen to twenty faculty and staff. Staff and faculty participants can be nominated to the academy by self-nomination or a recommendation. A selection committee will then determine which nominees will participate in the spring semester 2022 cohort.

Click [here](#) to nominate faculty or staff!

Service Learning Faculty Fellows

Collaborate with colleagues across campus and learn from others on unique ways to integrate service learning into your course. Fellows work together in interdisciplinary cohorts over the semester and participate in monthly seminars to explore service learning foundations, effective teaching practices, and research projects within service learning. For more information, contact Susan Dequeant dequeant@uta.edu.

Find application and more information [here](#) on the Center for Service Learning website.

Maverick Advantage Faculty Engagement (MAFE) Faculty Fellows

The Maverick Advantage is UTA's strategic initiative focused on engaging students in High Impact Practices to promote student belonging, self-efficacy, and retention. Through monthly seminars, MAFE Fellows collaborate with colleagues across campus throughout the academic year to learn how to integrate one of the five Maverick Advantage distinguishing activities into their courses. For more information, contact Susan Dequeant dequeant@uta.edu or Dr. Nali Kim nkim@uta.edu.

Find application and more information [here](#) on the Maverick Advantage Faculty Engagement website

Professional Learning Community (PLC) Program

Teamwork is one of the most sought-after skills that employers look for from our graduates, but it is not something that is always done well in our classrooms. For the last four years faculty from across campus have met as part of a Professional Learning Community within the Collaborate UTA – PLC to develop strategies to enhance and assess teamwork in their courses. For more information on the program, contact Dr. Andrew Clark amclark@uta.edu.

Find PLC Fellows interest application [here](#) and find more information on the PLC website [here](#).

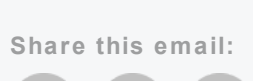
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Academic Calendar

August 12: Last day for Summer Classes

August 16-17: Final Exams for Summer Classes

August 18: Commencement ceremony

The full academic calendar is available in the Registrar's [webpage](#).

Summer Plans

Summer Plans have been published. [Please check here for information](#).

For the fall, the situation is fluid. We may have more information mid to late June.

Stand by....