



Faculty Affairs News 151 - September 17, 2020

Spring 2021 Academic Updates

The Fall planning task force has been renamed The Spring 2021 Academic and Course Planning Task Force, as the numerous committees working on preparing the campus for Fall classes, switch their focus to Spring 2021. UTA is preparing for a number of possibilities, including the potential for Spring 2021 to be conducted with a mix of online, in-person and hybrid courses, similar to the Fall 2020 semester. In addition:

- Faculty are asked to please remind students who share that they've tested positive to fill out the UTA contact form ASAP so we can begin contact tracing.
- Students may also approach faculty for accommodations if they were in close contact with someone that tested positive and are in quarantine. Students living on campus may be moved into the quarantine dorms as they wait for test results which are typically available within 24 hours. Please be flexible as possible in supporting all of our students.
- Faculty are reminded that face covers are required in all face-to-face classes. Faculty who wish to only wear a shield must maintain 6 ft distance between themselves and their students; if that is not feasible, faculty must wear a face cover. [Clear masks](#) allowing students to read lips are available by submitting a [request](#) from EH&S. For question #6 of the form select "Department" if you want them sent via Campus Mail

Faculty wishing to raise any issues of concern are encouraged to contact the Faculty Issues Subgroup chair, Dr. Bill Carroll at carroll@uta.edu.

Progress Reports and Mid-Semester Grades

Early [progress report](#) grades are collected for undergrad students with 30 or fewer semester credit hours and athletes in the fourth week of the term. Freshmen, sophomores and upper classmen may be included in these rosters.

Early Progress Grade Deadline Friday, September 25

How Do I Know If My Students Need Progress Report Grades?

The students for whom progress report grades are required have an indicator in the class roster(s) in your MyMav faculty center. Faculty will also receive an email notification from ARRfacultycommunication@uta.edu.

F-Justifications codes: Faculty issuing ["F" grades](#) are reminded that only the "F" goes in the Canvas or MyMav **Final Column**. The F-Justifications code for the reason for failing must be entered in the Roll Call Attendance Column, along with date of last attendance if required. The codes that faculty may use are:

- AA or blank– N/A
- FA (MyMav Code A) – Stopped attending as of "date last attended" (will be required)
- FC (MyMav Code C) – In attendance/Performed Poorly
- FN (MyMav Code N) – Never attended or participated
- FU (MyMav Code U) – Attended but last date unknown

For questions, please contact www.uta.edu/records

Annual Reviews and Post-Tenure Reviews (CPEs) now in Digital Measures Flow

Annual Reviews for tenure track and tenured faculty as well as Third Year and Post Tenure Comprehensive Periodic Reviews (CPE) will be run like the Tenure and Promotion flows in Digital Measures. Faculty will receive an email when the flow for their college is open according to the [published schedule](#).

Faculty will be required to launch the flow of their annual review for it to be reviewed by their department and college. Departments are encouraged to sign up for [trainings](#) early. The DM Team will help familiarize faculty and staff with the system and show them what to expect. For more information, please visit the Digital Measures [website](#).

Faculty Emeriti & Faculty Award Winners

Ten new [faculty emeriti](#) will be recognized at the Fall Meeting of the Faculty and Associates on Sept. 29 at 4pm. Although the meeting will be held virtually, teaching and research award winners will be highlighted. New faculty hires ([read their profiles here](#)) are invited to attend and participate in this tradition. Stay tuned for a Teams Live invitation from Faculty Affairs. For questions, please contact denise.cobbs@uta.edu

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Upcoming Events

View more [upcoming events](#) on our Faculty Affairs website.

Fall 2020 Academic Calendar

Nov. 6: Last day to drop classes

Nov. 24: Last day for in-person classes; instruction moves to online after Thanksgiving.

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

UTA Leadership Academy

Applications due October 15

The [program](#) focuses on practical leadership topics, issues within higher education, and personal leadership development. It is based on semester cohort of fifteen to twenty faculty and staff. Staff and faculty participants can self-nomination or obtain a recommendation from a Chair/Director/Supervisor, Vice President or a Dean. For questions, contact Dr. Toni Sol at amsol@uta.edu

UTA Housing for New Faculty

As we welcome new faculty and other employees, keep in mind that UTA has apartments available for short and long-term rental. Employees new to the area may be interested in this option. Please contact David Albart at dalbart@uta.edu if you have any questions.

Engage Your Students

A new Canvas [Inspire for Faculty](#) course offers just-in-time topics throughout the semester for faculty interested in learning to use analytics about their students' engagement. Enroll in the [course](#) and click on the "Modules" section to access the newest content.

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