Ally Allies Needed

We are seeking faculty volunteers who wish to pilot a new tool to improve accessibility of their course material. Ally works through Canvas to provide students choices for accessing materials. HTML for improved reading on mobile phones; electronic Braille for the visually impaired; and audio for learning on the go. Ally course schemes offers accessibility feedback and suggestions for fixing hard phoners; CDE will provide additional training and support. To volunteer your Fall 2019 course please sign up by 15 October. We expect to roll out Ally to the entire campus in Spring 2020.

MyMav

UTA student focus groups have given a thumbs up to a new look for MyMav. Students can now access their information through a home screen, removing clutter, giving them easy access to their degree progress report, graduation application, financial aid statements and their courses. The new MyMav project will launch October 7. Faculty and advisors will be receiving additional information over the next month, as well as training and demonstrations. The new MyMav page will not change under this phase of the Fluid Project.

Faculty Senate Travel Funds

Tiered and tenure-track faculty are invited to apply up to $750 per academic year for travel on professional development or research projects. Faculty are reviewed monthly. Faculty Senate funds are available when other travel funds from the college, startup or grant funds are insufficient. Last year, the Senate provided over $33K in faculty support. For questions, please contact David.Courney@uta.edu

Progress Report Grades in Canvas

Four-week grades or Progress Reports are required for graduate students of all students such as athletes and freshmen, and are due Friday Sept. 20. Faculty for all undergraduate courses are encouraged to use a syllabus quiz or similar assignment as a progress report to provide an early indication of student engagement. The progress report allows for faster intervention for students such as athletes and freshmen, and are due Friday Sept. 20. Faculty for all undergraduate courses are encouraged to use a syllabus quiz or similar assignment as a progress report to provide an early indication of student engagement. The progress report allows for faster intervention for students as we explore effective strategies for developing partnerships around the globe.

Important Fall 2019 Dates

- Friday, September 6: Census Day. Important for student enrollment counts and formula funding from the state.
- Friday, October 11 at 12 noon: Midterm (5-week) Deadline Due.
- Friday, November 1: Add day to drop classes
- November 27-28: Thanksgiving Holiday
- December 3: last day to drop classes
- December 10-12 noon: Final Grades Due
- December 23: Student Feedback Reports (Office) available to faculty

...Did You Know?

- Registration and vegan food from Kalachandjis in Dallas is now being offered at several dining locations on campus: The Marketplace, UC, Nav Gdb, JUC and the MSC Market. For the weekly menu, go to www.kalachandjis.com

Upcoming Events

View Upcoming events on Faculty Affairs website.

Peer Review of Teaching Training

September 12
12:30-2:30 pm
EHR 170
Open to all faculty. Faculty going up for tenure must have two observations; those going up for promotion to full professor, must have at least one observation of their teaching. Please RSVP here.

Assessment Recognition September 9
1:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Faculty and staff are invited to UTA’s Fall Annual Assessment Awards Ceremony recognizing excellence in assessment practice among departments and faculty. The ceremony and reception will occur at the Carlince.

Don’t Lose Your Date Fall September 19
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm
UTA Library’s DataCastle is running a number of workshops on data tools and strategies. The schedule is available here and is open to all faculty and students.

Fall Faculty & Associates Meeting

October 3rd
4:00 pm – 5:30 pm
Rio Grande Room, E. H. Withrow University Center.

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Research Integrity Symposium: International Collaborations and Foreign Research Activity November 1

Foreign influence is a new challenge for universities to address at the same time that there is increased emphasis and scrutiny from the federal government and all of the federal funding agencies. Join us as we explore effective strategies for developing partnerships around the globe within ethical and legal guidelines. Please RSVP here.

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