# Faculty Affairs News 130 -September 19, 2019

### Fall Faculty Writing Group: Sept 26

All faculty who want to write more, feel better, and get back their weekends are invited to join a weekly writing group led by Dr. Jackie Fay from UTA's Department of English. The group will start Sept. 26 and meet Thursdays from 2-4 pm. The meetings will be centered in strategies from "The Write No Matter What: Advice for Academics" book. To register, please click here. For questions, please contact Dr. Fay at jacqueline.fay@uta.edu or Dr. Maria Martinez Cosio at x23302 or mcosio@uta.edu.

### **Don't Ignore Compliance Training**

New employees are reminded that they must complete Compliance Training by September 25. The course is offered in Canvas Catalog. Ater logging in to Catalog, employees can open the course: 2198-NECT-1920-100-New-Emp-Compliance-Training-2019-Fall. Supervisors are asked to check that all new employees have obtained the training certificate after they have completed and passed all of the modules. For more information contact Toyi D. Vaughan at toyi.vaughan@uta.edu or go to www.uta.edu/compliance.

### **Deadline for Leadership Academy** Applications Extended to Nov. 1

Faculty are encouraged to apply for the 2020 cohort of the UTA Leadership Academy. The deadline has been extended to November 1. Tenured, or full-time non-tenure track faculty member or A&P staff member with at least three years of professional experience and one year of continuous full-time employment with the University of Texas at Arlington are eligible to apply. Applicants must obtain a letter of recommendation, their supervisor's support and submit a CV with the application.

# Increasing your Course's Accessibility

A new UTA Canvas course that walks faculty through the development of their course from start to finish, also offers assistance on ensuring all the content is accessible for students with disabilities and diverse learners. Faculty can also share modules with students developing video assignments to generate captions and transcripts.

UTA is also piloting Ally through Canvas this Fall to provide greater accessibility and choices for students including HTML for improved reading on mobile phones; electronic Braille for the visually impaired, and audio for learning on the go. Ally scans courses and offers accessibility scores, and suggestions for fixing issues. To volunteer your Fall 2019 course please sign up here. We expect to roll out Ally to the entire campus in Spring 2020.



#### Starting October 7, UTA students will see a new look for MyMav. This <u>seamless design</u> will allow students and advisors

MyMav Fluid

to more easily access degree progress reports, graduation applications, financial aid statements and academic courses. The faculty MyMav page will not change under this phase of the Fluid Project. For more information or assistance, please see the MyMav Project page.

#### Canvas due tomorrow Sept. 20 Four- week grades or Progress Reports are required for specific student groups of students such as athletes and freshmen, and

4th Week/Progress Report Grades in

are <u>due</u> **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 by the Division of Student Success. For help with Canvas Gradebook see the Canvas instruction guide or register for a CDE Open Lab to review any Gradebook questions with a trainer. Faculty issuing F grades are reminded that only the "F" goes in the Final Grade column, and the F with the code for the reason for failing must be entered in the Roll Call Attendance Column.

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**Did You Know?** 

courses including how to improve your excel skills, learn about Project Management, Microsoft Office and Java Script? UTA has upgraded from Lynda.com to

Base.

## **Upcoming Events**

View <u>Upcoming events</u> on Faculty Affairs website.

#### **Peer Review of Teaching Training**

October 15 10:00- 12:00 pm

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.

#### **Don't Lose Your Data!**

September 19 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

UTA Library's DataCAVE 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. Hereford University Center. All Faculty are encouraged to attend and celebrate Emeriti faculty. No RSVP Required.

### **Need Help With Digital** Measure?

Open Sessions Are Available from 12- 1 pm on the following dates:

Wednesday, October 2

Wednesday, October 15 Wednesday, November 6

Wednesday, November 20

Wednesday, December 4 Wednesday, December 18

and view session locations

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