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Faculty Success Newsletter

We are excited to welcome all UO faculty to the 2023-24 academic year. As mentioned in the provost welcome message, the Office of the Provost will be sending a bi-weekly newsletter that contains news, opportunities, resources, services, and success stories intended to help you connect and succeed at the University of Oregon.

We recognize that different people absorb their news differently. This year, we will deliver the Faculty Success Newsletter in alternating formats. The first format, like today's email, includes detailed news and provides the chance for faculty engagement and feedback. Two weeks later, we will send you the Faculty Success *Summarized* with succinct notes on important news. Whether you want the details or the quick facts, you'll get your news in your preferred format. We will continue to send action-oriented requests, like the policy reminder and resources message, to you directly.

Our first Faculty Success Newsletter of the year provides a resource guide for artificial intelligence at UO, as well as mentorship opportunities including a kickoff event for a mentorship initiative and mentorship programs offered for your position here at UO. Faculty members Kirby Brown and Danny Pimentel share thoughts and experiences around teaching. We also encourage you to share your feedback with us – let us know what resources or information you'd find helpful.



UO Mentorship Reimagined

Activating mentorship networks for the campus community
The provost's office has brought together units across campus with the goal of ensuring every person on the UO campus –

HEAR FROM FACULTY



Kirby Brown, a recent Herman Award for Specialized Pedagogy winner, says: "I think teaching is fundamentally about relationships — developing community, building trust, and working to create a space where we can all learn with and from one another..."

See what else Kirby says about teaching.



Danny Pimentel discusses how he brings inclusivity to his experimental research examining how XR storytelling experiences can contribute to prosocial attitude and behavior change across various contexts, including climate action,

faculty, staff, and students – has the opportunity to develop their own active mentorship network, and has the tools necessary to provide a form of mentorship for others.

This will start with a kickoff event on October 2 with Dr. Dawn Chanland – please RSVP today to save your spot! Events will include:

- 9:30-11:00am: Coaching Workshop
- 12:00-1:30pm: Kickoff & Keynote
- 3:00-4:30pm: Mentorship Program Development



Artificial Intelligence at UO Resource Guide

Information and ideas regarding GenAI and your course
The wide availability of generative artificial intelligence (GenAI) systems and the ease and speed with which they can generate content raise important considerations for teaching and learning in higher ed. This guide collects and links to the helpful resources that the Teaching Engagement Program has developed around GenAI at UO:

- Course policy ideas and samples
- Data privacy recommendations
- Teaching with (or without) GenAI
- Academic integrity resources
- Teaching and AI CAIT

wildlife conservation, and mental/physical well-being.

Listen now on the Glass Apple Podcast.

EVENTS

Communicating with Students about AEC Accommodations
Tuesday, Sept. 26
1-2pm in EMU room 123

Science Teaching Journal Club: *Focusing on Math Anxiety*
Thursdays starting Sept. 28
9-10am in LISB 217 *or* Zoom

Neurodivergent Instructors & Staff Affinity Group
Tuesday, Oct. 3
10-11am on Zoom

Q&A: Unit Head's Role in the Tenure Review Process
Tuesday, Oct. 3
11-12pm on Zoom

Q&A: TTF Search Committee Best Practices
Wednesday, Oct. 4
2-3pm on Zoom

Q&A: Preparing for Career Faculty Promotion
Tuesday, Oct. 10
11-12pm on Zoom

Pizza and Pedagogy: Grading at Scale
Thursday, Oct. 12
12-1:30pm in EMU 107

Focus on ways to prioritize and manage time when grading a high volume of assignments

Designing for Accessibility: Coffee & Co-working
Tuesday, Oct. 17
12-1pm in Knight Library, 122



Upcoming Mentorship Programs

Apply to participate in these professional development programs

The Office of the Provost offers programs to support faculty at transitional moments in their career. These programs provide tangible knowledge and support, assist faculty in developing the needed mentorship networks, and are designed to compliment the local programs in the department, division, school or college. Apply by September 29 for:

- New Faculty Group Mentorship Program: Monthly remote program is for new tenure-track or career faculty in their 1st-3rd year at UO.
- Associate Professor Peer Mentorship Program: Designed to support associate professors during this important season of their career.
- Career Faculty Peer Mentorship Program: For senior instructors, senior lecturers, associate clinical professors, associate research professors, associate librarians and professors of practice who are interested in peer mentorship and community.

Q&A: Preparing for Post-Tenure Review
Thursday, Oct. 26
11-12pm on Zoom

FEEDBACK

How can we support you as a UO faculty member? Submit this form and tell us what topics, resources, services, and workshops we can provide to help you feel successful at the university.

You can also use the form to share news, ideas, and resources with colleagues or share general thoughts with the Office of the Provost.

Set up a consultation with the Teaching Engagement Program and UO Online.

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