



The CFD Monthly

Workshops, Events, Resources, and More

October 2024

Taking the Next Step



Seeking our next cohort for the Faculty Leadership Institute

While it feels like we just started the fall semester, the CFD is already at work planning for the spring semester. We are recruiting members for our seventh cohort of the **Faculty Leadership Institute (FLI)**. Enrolling both junior and senior faculty, the FLI is focused on developing the leadership skills of our faculty. Across three semesters, faculty learn about their own leadership style and personality, theories of leadership, communications skills, and several other topics to enhance their roles as current or aspiring leaders.

Click here to learn more
about the Faculty
Leadership Institute

Find more details on our **website** as well as a **link to apply**.

FLI applications are due November 15th.



This month, we are adding a new feature to our newsletter to encourage faculty to continue the discussion about AI and its uses (or not) in their courses and professional tasks. Watch this short video to learn how Hillary Scales, Assistant Professor of Theatre, incorporated AI in her courses.



Upcoming Events



University Finances 101: Vendor Entry and Intro to Completing Remittance Vouchers

October 2

9 - 10 a.m. | Teams

[Register](#)

University Finances 101: Travel Processes and Form Completion

October 9

9 - 10 a.m. | Teams

[Register](#)

University Finances 101: Pcard/Ecard Policies and Procedures

October 23

9 - 10 a.m. | Teams

[Register](#)

Introduction to Coursera

USM is excited to offer access to [Coursera](#), a global online learning platform that provides thousands of trainings for you or your students. To learn more about this resource and how it can be used to benefit you and enhance your teaching, attend one of the following sessions.

Several session times are offered to allow everyone an opportunity to learn more.

October 21 | 10 - 11 a.m.

October 30 | 9 - 10 a.m.

November 6 | 1 - 2 p.m.

[Register for Intro to Coursera](#)



Faculty Search Committee Chair Training

The Office of the Provost requires faculty search committee training for all faculty serving as search chairs in the 2024-25

academic year. Register now!



Upcoming dates:

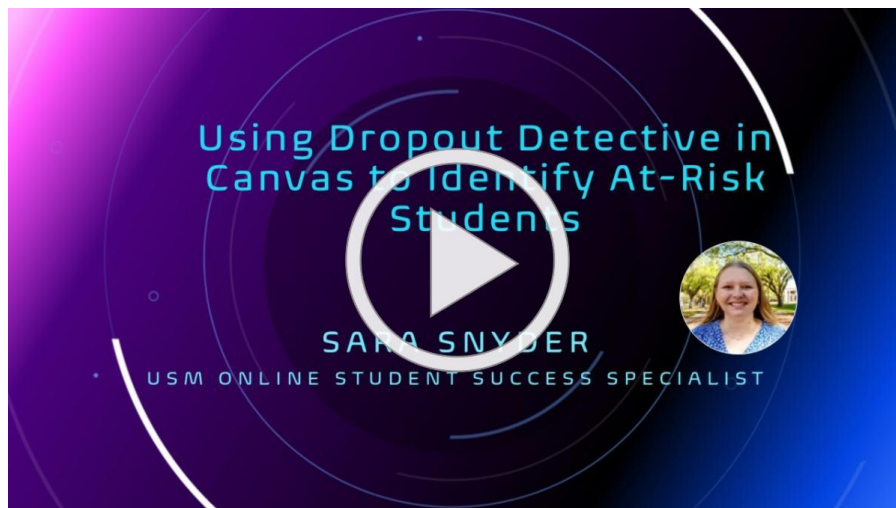
- 10/3 from 12:15 - 1:00 in CFD
- 10/4 from 10 - 10:45 on Zoom
- 10/8 from 8 - 8:45 on Zoom
- 10/18 from 9 - 9:45 on Zoom

[Register](#)

Tiny Teaching Tip

Using Dropout Detective in Canvas to Identify At-Risk Students

We are six weeks into the semester and entering midterm and advising season. Now is a great time to check in with your students to make sure they are making progress in your courses. Dropout Detective is one tool in Canvas that we can use to quickly assess our students' involvement and success in our courses. Watch this short video tutorial by Sara Snyder, Online Student Success Specialist, to learn more about what it is and what it can do for you.



Seeking your Feedback!

We are planning to offer our microcredential course, **Fostering a Culture of Belonging** this year but are considering offering this course over the summer. Let us know if you would be interested in this course, and your preference to enroll in spring or summer

Do you have a great teaching idea but need \$\$ to make it happen?

Every semester the CFD funds up to four **Teaching Innovation Mini-Grants**. These small grants of up to \$300 can help kickstart a project to help ignite engagement and learning in your class.

[See examples](#) of what past applicants have done with this funding.

[Find more information about the program and application here.](#)

semester. We will decide by October 15th, so get your preference in now.

[Give us your Feedback Here](#)

**Applications are due
November 15, 2024**

[Apply for a Mini-Grant](#)

Enhancing Faculty Mentorship

This fall, the CFD team is supporting Provost Faculty Fellow, Dr. Masha Krsmanovic, on her project aimed at assessing faculty mentorship practices across our university and providing recommendations for their enhancement. To meet this goal, she is asking faculty to share their perspectives, experiences, and needs on mentorship by completing a brief anonymous questionnaire. The questionnaire will take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

This project has been reviewed and approved by our Institutional Review Board (#24-0484-01). If you have any questions concerning this project, please contact Dr. Krsmanovic at Masha.Krsmanovic@usm.edu.

Please click the link below to be directed to the consent form and questionnaire (or copy the link into your Internet browser):

https://usmep.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b9oSpPfmnehCBsG

[Access the Faculty Mentorship Questionnaire](#)

Library events you won't want to miss!

10 TEN YEARS Open Access Month

Check out these sessions!

Open Access Month at 10: Where We've Been, Where We're Going
October 3rd - 2 p.m.

An Open Access Journal Ten Years Later: The Scholarly Successes of SLIS Connecting
October 15th - 1 p.m.

Panel Discussion: The Next Decade of Open Access at Southern Miss
October 23rd - 3 p.m.

[Register](#)

SOAR Sessions
A WORKSHOP SERIES



The SOAR Sessions are a series of workshops featuring experts on a variety of topics pertaining to scholarship, open access, and research.

Open Licenses
September 24, 2024 - 2 p.m.

Transformative Agreements
November 7, 2024 - 2 p.m.

[Register](#)



Register to vote and encourage your students to get registered!

October 7, 2024 is the last date to register to vote in the General Election on November 5, 2024!

[Voting information can be found here!](#)



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