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Online Mini-Term Workshops

The Winter Mini-Term workshop will provide unique opportunities to meet course instructors for a one-on-one consultation. The workshop will be held from 12/1 to 12/10. The topic is, “Navigating Changes to Produce Innovative Results.” Contact Chris Kilgore to join today via Zoom!

November 17 | 1 – 2:00 p.m. | Zoom

Online Learning Dashboards

The Experience Learning Dashboards are now available to the campus for viewing and use. These dashboards are interactive tools that allow users to explore and analyze data related to student participation in experiential learning across our campus.

Call for Proposals: Innovative Teaching and Learning Conference 2022

Teaching and Learning Innovation (TLI), a unit of the Office of the Provost in the Division of Faculty Affairs, invites proposals for its 2022 Innovative Teaching and Learning Conference which will be held February 14 – 17, 2022. Our theme for 2022 is “Transforming the World through Innovative Teaching and Learning”. TLI encourages submissions that create opportunities for critical and creative thinking about how to deepen teaching and learning. The deadline to submit proposals for the conference is January 31, 2022.

Materials & Programs

Below are our upcoming workshops. Please visit our webpage for more information. As a result of this opportunity participants will:

1. Learn the professional and ethical guidelines outlined by NACE.
2. Understand how to make effective referrals to the Center for Career Development.
3. Develop a foundation for having critical career conversations with students.
4. Gain a basic knowledge of career development theory, career decision making, internship and job searching, and relevant resources/tools.

The Career Advocate Program is a three-hour interactive training on "Career Advocates Program" for Faculty & Staff. The Center for Career Development & Academic Exploration's "Career Advocates Program" will be available for sale in the Online Learning & Academic Programs (OLAP) catalog.

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