

## Faculty Center

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# SPRING 2022 FACULTY CENTER ASSESSMENT REPORT

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# Spring 2022 Faculty Center Events & Services

### Services & Programs

- 1. Best Teaching Practices Expo
- 2. RebelFlex Training
- 3. Equity Institute Online
- 4. Open Educational Resources Faculty Learning Group
- 5. Workshops on teaching, research, and career development/wellness
- 6. Learning communities, book group, writing groups
- 7. Teaching observations & one-on-one consultations
- 8. Take Your Child to Work Day activity
- 9. Selection committee for Teaching Awards (Distinguished Teaching & Regents' Award)
- 10. Communication via newsletter and social media
- 11. Website with resources, request forms, and news

### **Outcomes Overview**

- Our signature spring event, the Best Teaching Practices Expo, was held in a hybrid format, with an online-only poster session and live panel of distinguished presenters. We had outstanding engagement.
  - 23 online <u>posters</u> had 456 downloads as of May 2022
  - Stories about the program in UNLV Today were widely read:
    - <u>New Voices and New Approaches Bring Out the Best in Students</u>: 300 pageviews,
      3.29 minutes on screen
    - Want to Improve Your Students' Success? Join the 2022 Best Teaching Practices Expo panel discussions on Feb. 10.: 136 pageviews, 2.49 minutes on screen
- The Faculty Center hosted continuing training for the <u>RebelFlex</u> pilot, a partnership with OIT and Online Education to prepare faculty members to teach online and in-person at the same time using new classroom technology installed in 2021. We trained 30 faculty members in the spring pilot group, preparing to teach 35 different courses and impacting over 1,100 students.
- After a successful pilot in Fall 2021, we ran a second cohort of the <u>Equity Institute Online</u>, in partnership with Online Education, and had 63 more faculty members complete the course in Spring 2022. We will offer another cohort in May-June 2022 and have 60 participants registered.
- The <u>Open Educational Resources (OER) Faculty Learning Group</u>, which we piloted in collaboration with Online Education, University Libraries, and OIT, resulted in the <u>First-Year Seminar in the</u> <u>College of Liberal Arts adopting a free online textbook</u> that saved 400 students \$90 each. As a follow-up, a team of UNLV folks has applied and been accepted to the <u>AAC&U Institute on Open Educational Resources</u>.
- Almost all of our programs were offered in a hybrid mode in Spring 2022, and we sponsored a variety of mentoring groups and learning communities that met regularly in order to support a

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sense of connectedness for faculty. These groups are led by Faculty Center Fellows – see the 2021-22 cohort listed on page 5.

- Mentoring groups for tenure track, non-tenure track, administrative faculty, and part-time instructors
- Book group on *Becoming an Academic Writer* by Patricia Goodson
- Weekly meditation sessions that are highly valued by the regular attendees
- A writing group that met monthly for accountability and feedback
- Faculty Center Fellows offered 7 teaching observations and individual consultations.
- We had a great time offering an activity on <u>Take Your Child to Work Day</u> in April, and had around 30 people come by for snacks and board games.
- We assembled and led the selection committees for three awards: Alex G and Faye Spanos Distinguished Teaching Award, Scholarship of Teaching & Learning Award, and Outstanding Teaching by Part-Time Faculty Award. We engaged past award-winners in this process, and selected outstanding faculty members for recognition.
- In addition to events planned and hosted by the Faculty Center, we co-sponsored and/or advertised many other events for campus units including The Intersection, Online Education, the Graduate College, and Office of Research and Sponsored Programs.
- The Faculty Center provided meeting space for Chair's Success, Leadership Experience, Accreditation Committee, Advising Lunch & Learn. Alternative Route to Licensure, and Academic Council. We also hosted a hybrid Town Hall Meeting in February 2022 and Provost's Social for Department Chairs in April 2022.
- We send a weekly newsletter on Sunday nights and other occasional messages. Average open rate for the weekly newsletter has increased from about 56% to 68%. We switched platforms from MailChimp to Constant Contact, in order to improve accessibility, and it was a seamless transition.
- We continue to improve and add to the Faculty Center website. The newest feature is a page for <u>teaching awards</u>.
- Most faculty members who used Faculty Center services were Assistant Professors or Administrative Faculty.
- All academic units (colleges and schools) were represented at Faculty Center events and services, most from Education and Fine Arts.

### **Future Directions**

- We are part of a \$1.5 million AANAPISI grant awarded to CAEO and will have a series of speakers on cultural competencies in STEM in the 2022-23 academic year, funded by that grant.
- We are working with colleagues in Career Services and Workforce Development to offer an online course for faculty on integrating career competencies across disciplines.
- We will update and prepare an online course for New Faculty Orientation in Fall 2022.
- We will convene a group of colleagues from around campus to plan more strategically for professional development regarding teaching, to align our themes and scaffold our programs.
- We will update the Faculty Center website with more teaching resources, working with OIT and Online Ed.

### Faculty Center Fellows, 2021-22

Last Name	First Name	College	Primary Assignment
Donna	Costa	School of Integrated Health Sciences	Mindfulness Meditation
Dana	Cotham	Hospitality	NTT Mentoring
Joe	Ervin	Academic Success Center	NTT Mentoring
Han-fen	Hu	Business	Book Group
Heather	Lusty	Honors	Writing Group
Daniel	Ogletree	Fine Arts	PTI Mentoring
Nathan	Slife	Education	Teaching Observations
Tina	Vo	Education	TT Mentoring
A.B.	Wilkinson	Liberal Arts	Equity Institute Online

### Attendance at Spring 2022 Events

### **Teaching Events**

Event Name	Month	Total Attended
Drop-In Syllabus/Webcampus Assistance	January	8
Drop-In w/Campus Expert	January	2
Folio Open Lab	January	1
BTPE Panel	February	24
Housing Insecurity & Fostering	April	20
Microaggression Training	April	11

#### **Research Events**

Event Name	Month	Total Attended
Writing Group	Monthly	8
Book Group	Monthly	16
Data for Grant Applications	Monthly	21

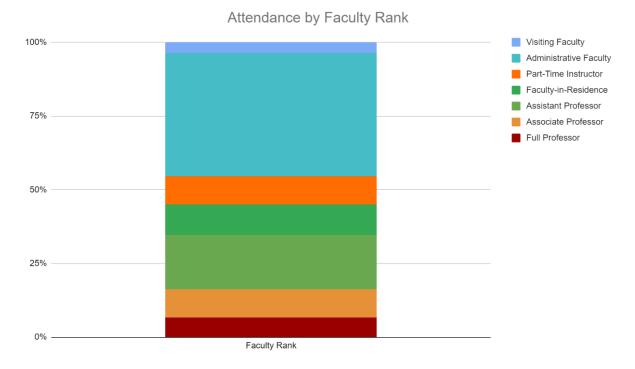
#### **Career Events**

Event Name	Month	Total Attended
Non-Tenure Track Mentoring Group	Monthly	12
PTI Mentoring Group	Monthly	17
Tenure-Track Mentoring Group	Monthly	10

#### Wellness Events

Event Name	Month	Total Attended
Mindfulness Meditation	Weekly	55
Processing Trauma Workshop	February	17

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### Attendance by College/Unit

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