

Spring 2014 University Week: January 6 – 10, 2014

Full Schedule

Monday, January 6, 2014

All Day Faculty Preparation

Tuesday, January 7, 2014

All Day College and Department/Division Meetings

11:30 am – 1:00 pm Faculty Luncheon
Presentation of Employee Recognition Awards
ULM has a tradition of honoring employees for their service to the university. This year this special occasion will be held in conjunction with the faculty and staff luncheon and will recognize employees for milestone years of service at ULM. [See this link for more information about the awards.](#)

Wednesday, January 8, 2014

All Day Faculty Preparation

8:00 a.m. Moodle Training: Assignments & Forums (Sheau Yun Choo)
ULIB 106
Assignments

- Types of assignments - offline, online text, file submission(s)
- Assignment settings (understand the difference between Drafts and Final submissions)
- Grading the assignments
- Granting extension
- Restrict access (an option)

Forums and Glossary

- General settings
- Types of ratings (grading)
- Restrict ratings to postings within date range

9:00 a.m. **Moodle Training: Quizzes** (Sheau Yun Choo)
ULIB 106

- The Question Bank - use of categories
- How to add questions to Question Bank: manual add, available from Publisher, import from Respondus or other test generator
- Checking quiz setting
- How to give exceptions to specific user(s) – another attempt, more time, no time limit

1:00 p.m.

Moodle Training: Grading (Sheau Yun Choo)

ULIB 106

- Setting up correct course total aggregation - Sum of grades, Simple weighted mean of grades, Weighted mean of grades
- Showing/ hiding the course total
- What is Joule Gradebook? When and how to use it?
- What is Joule Grader? When and how to use it?
- Adding a grade item column and manual grading
- Exporting the gradebook

NOTE: Moodle sessions have a limit of 25 attendees.

2:00 p.m.

ULM Letterhead, Envelopes, and Business Cards Online Ordering Orientation and Training Session

Stubbs 100

ULM Office of Public Information and Service Printers (current contracted printing vendor for ULM stationery) will present

- Policies and procedures regarding purchasing ULM stationery and business cards
- Training for online ordering of those products.

Who should attend:

Department/budget heads and employees responsible for purchasing ULM stationery and business cards

Thursday, January 9, 2014

9:00 am

Topic: **General Session – Pecha Kucha Rapid Fire Presentations and Roundtable Discussions**

Room: University Conference Center, Library 7th Floor

Presenters: Dr. Jeffrey Anderson, Dr. Mike Beutner, Dr. Kris Bista, Dr. Michael Camille, Dr. Hollis Bray, Megan Lowe, Karen Niemla, Dr. Eric A. Pani, Paula Thornhill

Pecha Kucha is a Japanese word for the sound of conversation. As a presentation style, PK offers the opportunity for people to get together to see short, fast-paced presentations on various topics. Each presenter has a brief time to present a topic, using 20 slides that auto-play for 20 seconds each, so each presentation is six minutes 40 seconds long. Topics can be academic topics, research, hobbies, travel, creative projects, etc. Come join us in this session and see some of ULM's creative minds at work! The PK presentations will be followed by roundtable discussions to allow everyone to enjoy refreshments and network with colleagues.

1:00 p.m.

Topic: **General Session – Panel Discussion**

Room: LIB 106

Panelists: Dr. Allison Wiedemeier and Dr. Paul Karlowitz

The panel will give a short talk about excellence and innovation in teaching and learning at ULM. Then they will open the discussion to fellow faculty members and give them the opportunity to share ideas, concerns, and questions.

2:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Topic: ***Faculty Stress in 21st Century Higher Education***

Room: LIB 3A

Presenter: Dr. William McCown

The nation's higher education landscape is changing—fast. In addition to their other demands, many faculty now face larger workloads, less job security, and more entitled students who are not ready to learn. At the same time, societal respect for the academe seems to be waning. These changes can be extraordinarily stressful, leading to many types of psychological problems. This discussion will cannot change national trends. Instead it will highlight ways to help face the stress, take positive actions, and find alternatives to helplessness. Anyone who works with a stressed colleague should attend.

Topic: ***Best Practices Showcase***

Room: LIB 3B

Presenter: Paula Thornhill and Katie Dawson

The Showcase will feature courses in which faculty demonstrate best practices in online teaching strategies.

Topic: ***Clarity Through Brevity: Six-Word Memoirs***

Room: LIB 3C

Presenter: Dr. Claudia Grinnell

The six-word memoir teaches us to be concise but also introspective. Try describing yourself in six words. Not easy, right? So, for teachers in any content, the six-word memoir is a great way to get students to focus on getting a point across in as few words as possible. Students have to choose

Topic: ***Image Now***

Room: LIB 3D

Presenter: Robyn Jordan

Image Now, a scanning/workflow software system, allows us to electronically process and store all student records. After over a year of successful use in the undergraduate area, we have recently expanded into graduate school admissions. This workshop will cover Image Now basics and detailed graduate school processing information. I encourage anyone involved in the graduate school admission process to attend.

3:00 pm

Topic: ***Academic Affairs Talk***

Room: LIB 3C

Presenter: Dr. Eric A. Pani, Vice President of Academic Affairs

A conversation between Dr. Pani and those who attend on any topic the attendees wish to discuss.

Friday, January 10, 2014

All day

Faculty preparation time