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Message from Director

Spring break can't come soon enough. It's not just what the students say. Stepping away from daily tasks is most necessary at times. Typically, I use spring break to catch up on grading and a few household chores. This year, I am imagining a week with absolutely no work. The reality is that I will grade a few days and rest a few days. I hope whatever you have planned, you get the break that you need in order to spring into action for the second half of the semester.

I know that I keep touching upon the need to relax, renew, and refresh in my messages. I do it because as teachers, educators, and mentors, we are the first people to give and serve, and we need to remember that we need to have time for ourselves to replenish our energy. Educators are some of the most tapped people, and because of our dedication. we have a hard time taking that well-deserved break. Enjoy the break!

Third Installment of the 3 Fridays Series

Accessibility is one of those ideas that we do not think about until we are confronted with a situation that is not easily accessible. Another way to get at the idea is that we don't think about how high a curb is until we are pulling a suitcase or pushing a stroller or even riding a bike.

Please join us Friday, March 18th from 9:00 am until 11:00 am on the Sanford/Lake Mary campus. Dr. Thomas Tobin, PhD will be here to talk about what we can easily do to take the curbs out of our courses. Universal Design gives us a cadre of strategies to make our course more accessible for many different types of learners. Dr. Tobin has promised to share with us some "easy-toaccomplish, use-them-tomorrow" UDL strategies to enhance our courses and increase student satisfaction.



Faculty Working Group

The Faculty Center in conjunction with the Office of Equity and Diversity is interested in hosting a focus group to make recommendations for how we should approach this idea of "trigger warnings." If you have been following the controversy over the last year in the Chronicle of Higher Education, there is a debate over what professors should do when discussing sensitive material. The article is available in our FCTL Canvas site. To sign up for the working group, please register via the signmeup

<u>calendar</u>. The deadline to sign up to be part of the group is March 16. We will use a doodle poll to establish two meeting times after we have our members. Faculty will earn professional development credit for participating in the group. **eLearning Sakai to Canvas Final Course Content Migration**



eLearning has begun final migrations of data from Sakai to Canvas. We

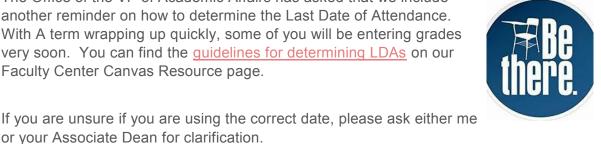
or your Associate Dean for clarification.

have created a google document for faculty to indicate what course content faculty would like moved from Sakai into Canvas. If you have data that you would like moved please complete this form: Link to Sakai to Canvas Migration form Thank you!



Last Date of Attendance

The Office of the VP of Academic Affairs has asked that we include another reminder on how to determine the Last Date of Attendance. With A term wrapping up quickly, some of you will be entering grades very soon. You can find the guidelines for determining LDAs on our Faculty Center Canvas Resource page.



College Speaker Series

Temple Grandin will be our last College Speaker Series guest lecturer this year. She will

be here on April 6, 2016. The event starts at 7:00 pm in the Fine Arts Concert Hall (G-118). As part of Autism Awareness Month her talk is titled, "The Autistic Brain: Thinking Across the Spectrum." The QEP will be hosting events as part of this year's Common Read program and will be giving away copies of the book for the first 100 employees who request a copy. For dates,

look in the Upcoming Events portion of this newsletter. The Office of Disability Support Services will be hosting a seminar on autism on April 4 from 12:00 pm until 1:30 pm at Sanford/Lake Mary in UP3102.

The Office of Student Life's Campus Activities Team (CAT) is offering a free screening of the HBO film, Temple Grandin, starring Claire Danes, Tuesday, April 5, at 5 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room (C-110) on the Sanford/Lake Mary Campus.

Speaker Series Dr. Temple Grandin



Upcoming Events

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. A.F.C Meet-and-Greet Oviedo, OVF-102J

Friday, March 18, 2016

Monday, March 14, 2016 Sign up online for Canvas Basics Online Training Wednesday, March 16, 2016

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. Increase Student Satisfaction

Sanford/Lake Mary, C-110 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. New Cohort for Reading Apprenticeship

Sanford/Lake Mary, J-004

Saturday, March 19, 2016 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m Adjunct Academy: Reflecting on Learning Sanford/Lake Mary, UP-2104

Tuesday, March 22, 2016 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. College Common Read Heathrow Book Club —Part 1

HEA 203 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. College Common Read SLM Book Club —Part 1

S/LM J-004 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Doctoral Colloquium

Sanford/Lake Mary, UP-1206A Thursday, March 24, 2016

12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. College Common Read Heathrow Book Club —Part 2 **HEA 203**

2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. College Common Read SLM Book Club —Part 2 S/LM J-004

Tuesday, March 29, 2016 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. College Common Read Oviedo Book Club —Part 1

2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. College Common Read Altamonte Book Club —Part 1

Sanford/Lake Mary, UP-1206A

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ALT 214 Please visit the calendar on our website or click the titles above for more information.

Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning Tracy Harbin, Director

The library has constructed a Seminole State LibGuide for the topic. Autism Activist • Professor • Best-Selling Author



Thursday, March 31, 2016 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. College Common Read Oviedo Book Club —Part 2 **HEA 203** 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. College Common Read Altamonte Book Club —Part 2

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