Faculty Resource Bulletin

Faculty,

The Faculty Resource Bulletin is one of many steps we're taking to improve communication about local and statewide faculty professional development information and opportunities. Please visit https://www.dctc.edu/online-dctc/faculty-resources/ for more information as well as past Bulletins.

Highlights of this week's Bulletin include:

- Zoom Web Conferencing
- End of Semester D2L Tools
- IHCC/DCTC D2L Summer Training Camp (also see attached flyer)
- Minnesota Summit on Learning and Technology
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) Summit
- Open Educational Resources

End of Semester D2L Tools

Setting Course Start and End Dates

Did you know you can set the start and end dates in D2L Brightspace course shells? You can – and it's easy! Just follow instructions on the Faculty Resources site: https://www.dctc.edu/DCTC/assets/File/pdf/faculty-resources/Changing-Start-and-End-Dates.pdf.

Course Navigation: Adding and Removing Tools

As you prepare for fall semester, you might consider adjusting the navigation in your online courses by adding or removing tools from the course "navbar". See the illustrated guide on the Faculty Resources site: https://www.dctc.edu/DCTC/assets/File/pdf/faculty-resources/turning-on-off-tools.pdf.

D2L Tip Sheet for Students

We developed a Getting Started with D2L Brightspace document (see attached) for students new to online learning. As you prepare for fall semester, please feel free to distribute this to your students via email or post in your online courses. Student Services staff will also be distributing this guide.

Zoom Web Conferencing

Minnesota State began transitioning its web conferencing vendor from Adobe Connect to Zoom earlier this month. While Adobe Connect will remain available until May 15, 2020, I invite you all to start using Zoom now or in the near future. You (and all Minnesota State faculty, staff, and students) can access the Zoom web conferencing tool by navigating to https://minnstate.zoom.us and choosing **Sign In** using your StarID.

Zoom provides the same features you'll find with other major video and web conferencing services and more, such as:

> **Meeting Rooms** with a 300 person meeting room capacity
> **Microphone and Telephone Audio**
> **Video**
> **Meeting Recordings**
> **Screen Sharing** and **Whiteboards**
> **Breakout Rooms**
> **Room Systems / ITV Integration**
> **Mobile Device Support**

Calendar Integration

For further details on this tool, see [Academic Technology](#) under Faculty Resources. You can arrange a one-on-one Zoom tutorial from this page, as well as contact Zoom support staff. We will begin campus trainings on this tool in August. Watch your email for further details!

IHCC/DCTC D2L Summer Training Camp

Inver Hills Community College
August 7

We are excited to announce a new opportunity for faculty who are either new to teaching online or would like to learn some of D2L's more advanced tools. On August 7, we will be leading a full-day D2L Training Camp for IHCC and DCTC faculty on the IHCC campus. Faculty stipends for this training have been made available from the Title III: Adult Learner Success grant. For more information, see this event on the [Faculty Resources site](#).

Space for this training is limited. Please contact [Monica Ibara](#) to see if space is available. Contact [Martin Springborg](#), Director of Teaching and Learning, with any other questions you have about this event.

Minnesota Summit on Learning & Technology

University of Minnesota
July 31 - August 1

As technology in education has become an integral part of the learning landscape, more questions arise. This year, the Summit is encouraging exploration and conversation of complex questions, and a deeper look into the future role that technology will play in the teaching and learning landscape. This conference, formerly known as the Minnesota eLearning Summit, is back in 2019 with a new emphasis on pedagogy and teaching and new technologies and will feature presentation styles that inspire innovation and curiosity.

For more information and event registration: https://ccaps.umn.edu/minnesota-summit-learning-and-technology.

Career and Technical Education (CTE) Summit

CTE Works! Summit is the premier conference connecting the career and technical education community in the Upper Midwest. Summit participants and presenters alike come from high school, colleges and universities, workforce, local business and industry partners, and our local communities to share best practices for helping every student meet community and workforce needs. This fall is the 10th annual state conference.

The 2019 Summit is sponsored by Minnesota State, the Minnesota Department of Education, the *Minnesota* Association for Career and Technical Administrators (MACTA), and the Minnesota Association for Career and Technical Education *(MnACTE).* The Summit schedule includes 44 concurrent sessions, six in-depth post-conference workshops, networking opportunities, and a Wednesday keynote brunch.

The CTE Works! Summit is Tuesday and Wednesday November 5-6, 2019 at the Minneapolis Marriott Northwest in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota. Educators and workforce professionals can register for the conference here: https://www.cteworksminnesota.org/registration.

Open Educational Resources

OER Learning Circles - Applications for Fall 2019 are available now, and are due September 9. Click here to find the applications. Note: login using your StarID@minnstate.edu credentials.

Opendora, developed by PALS, is a digital archive for open educational resource materials, allowing Minnesota State faculty and librarians to load, access, and share licensed OER. Explore Opendora today!

Descriptions for events are presented here as they appear on organizations' websites. Please contact me if you have any questions about these opportunities, or if you have information about an opportunity you'd like to share with your faculty colleagues.

All best,
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