

Welcome November!

Dear Colleagues,

It is hard to believe that it is already November! I know that many of you are busy with teaching, research, and other responsibilities during this demanding stretch of the semester, but I hope that you can find some time to relax and recharge over Thanksgiving break.

On the other side of the break, I hope you will join us on December 1st, as we welcome colleagues from across Maryland for the 2023 M.O.S.T Summit where we will focus on how open pedagogy can cultivate agency and engagement for both students and faculty. More information can be found below.



Good News to Share

Thanks to all the groups and organizations that came out for Homecoming and Family
Weekend last month. What a great reminder of the amazing community we have here at
SU. Special appreciation to the faculty and students of SU's Living Learning
Communities.

- The National League for Nursing recently recognized SU's School of Nursing for its faculty research and advancement in nursing education. An article co-authored by Lisa Seldomridge, the interim dean of CHHS and a professor of nursing, was selected as the "Best Article" among all Innovation Center articles published in 2022, while an article co-authored by Kimberly Allen, Mary DiBartolo, Catherine Walsh, and Kayna Freda (Nursing) received an "Honorable Mention" in the category of Research Briefs. In addition, the school's Faculty Academy and Mentorship Initiative of Maryland received the NLN's 2023 Peg E. Daw Certification Star Award. Congratulations to SU's nursing faculty on these well-deserved recognitions!
- Congratulations to Sandy Pope (Secondary & Physical Education and PACE Director)
 who has been awarded a Us@250 Fellowship from New America. Sandy is one of only 17
 recipients selected for this program which focuses on reimagining America's narrative as
 our nation's 250-year anniversary approaches. Through the fellowship, Sandy will receive
 funding to facilitate important discussions about the racial history of the Delmarva
 Peninsula.
- Now in its 10th year, the <u>Shore Hatchery</u> competition has invested \$2.9M in Mid-Atlantic entrepreneurs and start-ups. Congratulations to <u>Michael Jensen and the entire</u> entrepreneurship team; they awarded another \$103,000 to competitors on October, 27th. And many thanks to the Ratcliffe Foundation for their generous support of Shore Hatchery.
- The Division of Academic Affairs is excited to share that the searches for the next deans of the CHHS and Perdue School have begun. Many thanks to the students, faculty, staff, and community members who have volunteered to serve on the <u>search committees</u>. As the process continues, we welcome input from the campus community, and we encourage you to share thoughts and feedback with the search committee members. Additional updates will be provided as the search committees make progress.
- Congratulations to Michele Schlehofer (Psychology), the SU Libraries' Information Literacy Partner of the Month for September-October.
- And finally, thanks to Tim Stock (Philosophy) and staff at the Eastern Correctional
 Institution for organizing the Ethics Bowl on November 1, 2023 with ECI East, ECI West,
 and members of SU's Ethics Bowl team competing. Thanks as well to SGA President
 Wyatt Parks who serves as coach for the ECI West team.

Training, Opportunities, and Resources

- November Workshops Offered by Instructional Design and Delivery
 - Workshop descriptions and registration are available in the

Calendar

- Dates and times:
 - Friday, November 10, 10-11 a.m.: Using New Quizzes: Creating and Migrating Assessments in MyClasses
 - Friday, November 10, 1-2 p.m.: Addressing DEI with UDL
 - Friday, November 17, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.: Open Pedagogy: Examples from the Classroom
 - Friday, November 17, 2-3 p.m.: MyClasses Gradebook Tips and Tricks
- National Distance Learning Week is November 6-10. Celebrate NDLW by participating in
 the United States Distance Learning Association (USDLA) week-long series of webinars
 with the theme of how artificial intelligence is redefining distance learning in the year
 2023. To learn more about the free, virtual series of webinars, visit the National Distance
 Learning Week website.
- Creating <u>Safe Spaces</u> for LGBT+ People: Being an Ally:
 - Tuesday, November 14, 2023 from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Nanticoke Room (Guerrieri Student Union).
 - Participants will explore ways to make environments more welcoming for LGBT+ people at work, school, and in communities.
 - Registration is free for faculty, staff, and students.

 Please register here.
- Salisbury University has been chosen to host the 2023 Maryland Open Source Textbook (M.O.S.T) Summit: Cultivating Agency Through Open Education Resources with support from the USM's Kirwan Center and M.O.S.T on Friday, December 1, 2023. Please join us as we explore what happens when students drive knowledge creation alongside peers, faculty, community members, and librarians. The keynote address, "The Heart of Open Education: Rethinking the Place of Pedagogy," will be delivered by Dr. Robin DeRosa, a national leader in innovative pedagogy. To register and to learn more please visit the event page.
- Teach Access is now taking applications for the 2024 Cohort of Teach Access Fellows
 - As a Teach Access Fellow, you will:
 - Learn from leading experts in accessibility and inclusion
 - Develop and implement innovative approaches to teaching accessibility in your course(s)
 - Collaborate with other educators to further advocacy, support, and work for teaching accessibility
 - Receive mentorship and guidance from professionals in academia and industry
 - Selected fellows who successfully complete the program requirements will receive a \$4,000 stipend. Interested professionals should

- **NCUR 2024**: The deadline for student abstract submission is 12/8/23. More information can be found on the <u>NCUR site through OURCA</u>.
- **Posters on the Bay 2024:** The deadline for student abstract submission is 11/30/23, with a tentative event date of January 23, 24, or 25th.

 Abstracts can be submitted here.
- The annual **Anti-Racism Summit** is being planned for 2/9/24. Please hold the date.
- SU's annual <u>Teaching & Learning Conference</u> will be held on 2/16/24. <u>Call for proposals is currently open</u> with a deadline of 12/12/23.
- Applications for FDC Travel Grants for Spring Travel are due on December 15; an email from FDC will be sent later this week with more information.
- All SU Faculty and Staff (Assistant Director-level and above) are encouraged to apply for
 the Spring 2024 Professional Development Grants available from the SU Foundation.
 Applications are due by 1/11/24. More information and forms can be found on the
 Forms and Grants Website...

Reminders

- Join Yuki Okubo (Psychology) on Wednesdays for coffee and a chat about ways to incorporate Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB) in your teaching. More information here.
- Benefits Open Enrollment started on October 16 and ends on November 9th at 5 pm.
 More information can be found here.
- Don't miss out on the latest updates! Dive into <u>SU Today</u> for a wealth of information on upcoming events, exciting opportunities, and essential campus communications.
 Bookmark the <u>Faculty SU Today</u> site for easy access.

As always, thanks for all you do for our students and campus!

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Upcoming Dates of Interest

For more detailed information regarding instruction-related dates of interest, please consult the Registrar's Calendars. For information about Faculty Senate meetings, please consult **their webpage**. The **Faculty Development Calendar** includes many opportunities for professional development. If you want to share information about events/activities of interest to faculty across

campus, please send them to <u>CAFE@salisbury.edu</u> at least three days before the first Monday of each month. (Bold indicates events added this month).

DATE	EVENT
NOVEMBER 10, 2023	Faculty Senate Faculty Friday
NOVEMBER 11, 2023	Admissions Open House
NOVEMBER 13, 2023	State of the University address (HH Auditorium at 3 p.m.)
NOVEMBER 14, 2023	Safe Spaces workshop
NOVEMBER 15, 2023	Department Chairs/CHHS School Directors submit T&P recommendations to dean
NOVEMBER 22-24, 2023	Thanksgiving Break
DECEMBER 1, 2023	Deans submit T&P recommendations to Provost
DECEMBER 1, 2023	Maryland Open-Source Textbook Summit: Cultivating Agency Through Open Education Resources (Perdue Hall Auditorium, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.)
DECEMBER 12, 2023	Reading Day
DECEMBER 15, 2023	Provost submits tenure recommendations to President
DECEMBER 20, 2023	Commencement at Wicomico Civic Center
DECEMBER 21, 2023	Fall 2023 Regular Session grades due by 4 pm
JANUARY 4, 2024	Winter 2024 session begins
JANUARY 15, 2024	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
JANUARY 15, 2024	President sends written notification of tenure decisions
JANUARY 22, 2024	Chairs and Directors Spring Event
JANUARY 25, 2024	Last day of winter session
JANUARY 25, 2024	New Faculty Spring Event
JANUARY 29, 2024	Winter 2024 grades due by noon
JANUARY 29, 2024	Spring 2024 session begins
FEBRUARY 9, 2024	Anti-Racism Summit
FEBRUARY 16, 2024	Annual SU Teaching & Learning Conference
FEBRUARY 17, 2024	Admissions Open House
FEBRUARY 21, 2024	Safe Spaces workshop
MARCH 2, 2024	Scholars' Day
MARCH 9, 2024	Admitted Student #1
APRIL 6, 2024	Admitted Student Day #2
APRIL 20, 2024	Admissions Open House
APRIL 25, 2024	Safe Spaces workshop
FALL 2024	New Gen Ed begins
FY25	Middle States re-accreditation site team visit (likely Spring 2025)
FY25	SU Centennial



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