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Canvas Orientation
Wednesday, August 7
1:30PM - 3:00PM | *Watch the Recording*

Presented by the Faculty & Curriculum Development Centre (FCDC) & IT Services

In this session, we will cover the key menus and features in Canvas, take a deeper look at the Course Outline Builder tool and demonstrate how to create assignments. *(This session is offered again on August 20th.)*

Engagement and Assessment in Larger Classes
Thursday, August 15
1:30PM - 3:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by the FCDC

This workshop will present strategies for teaching larger classes across disciplines and modes of delivery. We will explore ways to foster community and connect with students, implement time-saving strategies for grading and assessments, enhance academic engagement, reduce barriers to participation and make the most of teaching assistants' time.

Teaching & Learning with Leganto
Monday, August 19
11:00AM - 12:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by Library Services with support from the FCDC and IT Services

This workshop will introduce faculty to Leganto, OCAD University's course reserve service available through Canvas.

Designing Brave & Compassionate Learning Environments
Tuesday, August 20
11:00AM - 12:30PM | *113 McCaul St., Level 5, Room 512*

Presented by the FCDC

In this interactive session, we will discuss a framework for supporting brave learning environments within the context of global geopolitical crisis. Participants will be invited to share their own pedagogical reflections and discuss practical strategies for designing courses to promote courageous and compassionate conversations across differences.

Canvas Orientation
Tuesday, August 20
1:30PM - 3:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by the FCDC and IT Services

In this session, we will cover the key menus and features in Canvas, take a deeper look at the Course Outline Builder tool and demonstrate how to create assignments. *(This is a repeat of the August 7th session.)*

Advanced Canvas: Designing for Clarity
Wednesday, August 21
1:30PM - 3:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by the FCDC and IT Services

We will discuss how to efficiently build modules that provide clear and accessible pathways for student learning, provide meaningful feedback to students on the platform, and use the tools in Canvas to better understand where students need support.

Introduction to Student Accessibility Services (SAS) and Academic Accommodations
Thursday, August 22
1:00PM - 2:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by Student Accessibility Services

This introductory workshop aims to summarize the essential processes and responsibilities associated with providing academic accommodations and supports to students with disabilities at OCAD U. We will also discuss strategies to meaningfully set up your courses with accessibility in mind to improve the learning experience and reduce the need for academic accommodations.

Setting Your Course Up for Success in the Era of Generative AI (GAI)
Thursday, August 22
2:30PM - 4:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by the Writing & Learning Centre

This workshop (re)introduces the concept of critical AI literacy and low-resource strategies for embedding consideration of GAI throughout course materials. Together, we'll consider how co-creation of critical AI literacy might effectively develop students' ability to make intentional and ethical decisions and when and how to use (or not use) GAI in their writing and making.

What's New in IT and Ask Us Anything
Friday, August 23
11:00AM - 12:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by IT Services

Join the IT Services team for an overview of what's changed in the technology landscape at OCAD U and bring your burning questions. This session will cover changes to Computer Studios, new Canvas features, changes with Microsoft 365 and more.

Sustainability Pedagogies Through Space and Place
Monday, August 26
12:30PM - 2:30PM | *113 McCaul St., Level 5, Room 530*

Presented by the FCDC and the Office of Diversity, Equity & Sustainability Initiatives (ODESI)

In this interactive session, participants will join OCAD University's Sustainable Futures Faculty Fellowship (SF3) team in a mapping exercise that explores the role of learning about, interpreting and responding to, space as sustainability pedagogy.

SAS Refresher: Getting Started with Academic Accommodations
Monday, August 26
3:00PM - 3:45PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by Student Accessibility Services

This workshop aims to refresh your familiarity with the essential processes and responsibilities associated with providing academic accommodations for students with disabilities. We will also discuss strategies to meaningfully set up your courses with accessibility in mind to improve the learning experience and reduce the need for academic accommodations.

Student Services Faculty Tour
Tuesday, August 27
9:00AM - 10:00AM | *Meet in the lobby of 230 Richmond St. W.*

Presented by Student Affairs

Familiarize yourself with the services and supports available to your students with a tour led by the Vice-Provost, Students & International. Whether you are new to OCAD U or have been around a while, this tour will help you understand what's available and where, and strengthen your referrals for students needing support or seeking opportunities. *Click here to register*.

Faculty of Arts & Science Meet & Greet
Tuesday, August 27
10:00AM - 12:00PM | *115 McCaul St., Level 2*

Presented by Campus Life and Faculty of Arts & Science Office

This event brings together new and first-year students with their respective peers, Deans, Program Chairs and faculty to learn about the opportunities available to them through their Faculty office.

Faculty of Art Meet & Greet
Tuesday, August 27
1:00PM - 3:00PM | *115 McCaul St., Level 2*

Presented by Campus Life and Faculty of Art Office

This event brings together new and first-year students with their respective peers, Deans, Program Chairs and faculty to learn about the opportunities available to them through their Faculty office.

Is Plagiarism-"Proofing" Possible? Strategies for Fostering Academic Integrity
Tuesday, August 27
2:30PM - 4:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by the Writing & Learning Centre

This workshop will highlight current key challenges for academic integrity—especially in the era of Generative AI (GAI)—and explore pedagogical strategies that support students with developing a nuanced and future-proofed understanding of academic integrity within the creative disciplines.

Academic Year Welcome (AYW)
Wednesday, August 28
1:30PM - 5:30PM | *100 McCaul St., Main Auditorium + Onsite Gallery*

Presented by the Office of the Vice-President, Academic & Provost (VPAP) and the FCDC

Please join us for OCAD U's Academic Year Welcome (AYW), as we come together to celebrate the beginning of a new academic year and to reflect as a community on shared commitments and priorities. This year's AYW keynote panel brings together Dr. Alana Butler (Queen's U), Dr. Sarita Srivastava (OCAD U), and Dr. Cheryl Thompson (TMU) to explore the theme of *Engaging in Brave and Compassionate Conversations in Art and Design Education*. The afternoon concludes with a social at OCAD U's Onsite Gallery.

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Onsite Gallery as a Site of Knowledge: Faculty Workshop
Thursday, August 29
9:30AM - 10:30AM | *Onsite Gallery, 199 Richmond St. W.*

Presented by Onsite Gallery

This event is designed for faculty members interested in incorporating Onsite Gallery's exhibitions into their courses, utilizing the gallery as a "site of knowledge" to support curricular goals and enhance learning experiences through art, media, design and curatorial practices.
Contact susanjama@ocadu.ca to register

Modelling International Collaboration: Book Launch & Public Symposium
Thursday, August 29
9:30AM - 12:00PM | *100 McCaul St., Level 2, Room 240*

Presented by the Faculty of Art and OCAD U International

With the release of *Modelling International Collaborations in Art Education* by Intellect Books there will be a Book Launch Symposium with presentations by Peter Sramek (OCAD U), Giselle Mira-Diaz (Indiana University NW), Sofia Sienra (Universidad Autonoma del Estado de México), Walter Bergmoser (University of Europe for Applied Sciences, Berlin) and a panel of alumni of the International Art Collaborations (INTAC) program.

Faculty of Design Meet & Greet
Thursday, August 29
10:00AM - 12:00PM | *100 McCaul St., Levels 5 & 6*

Presented by Campus Life and Faculty of Design Office

This event brings together new and first-year students with their respective peers, Deans, Program Chairs and faculty to learn about the opportunities available to them through their Faculty office.

Translingual Pedagogies: "Dwelling *in* the Borders"
Thursday, August 29
11:00AM - 12:00PM | *Onsite Gallery, 199 Richmond St. W.*

Presented by the Writing & Learning Centre

This workshop focuses on translingual approaches that highlight linguistic diversity and the use of multiple languages in learning, creation, and communication. Drawing on the *_other tongues part I communication* exhibition and our teaching and creative practices, we'll explore how creative disciplines can benefit from translingual strategies to amplify all students' voices, challenging the educational structures and orientations that often discourage deviations from dominant norms and conventions.

What's New in Generative AI?
Friday, August 30
11:00AM - 12:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by IT Services

Join Emilie Brancato and Andrew McAllister to review OCAD U's evolving approach and tools related to Generative AI. This session will cover guidelines and any changes to Microsoft Copilot, Adobe Firefly and associated apps.

Questions?

Contact the Faculty & Curriculum Development Centre (FCDC) with questions about any of the above workshops and events.
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New Faculty Orientation
Tuesday, September 3
9:30AM - 1:00PM | *113 McCaul St., Level 5, Room 512*

Presented by the FCDC

We invite new faculty to start the 2024 academic year by joining our New Faculty Orientation (NFO). During NFO, participants will learn about the available services and resources for teaching and learning at the university, connect with other new faculty, have an opportunity to ask questions and join an informal conversation about pedagogy.

Enhancing Teaching and Learning with Video
Friday, September 6
11:00AM - 12:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by IT Services

Showing a process, conveying an idea or taking a journey are all great reasons to engage an audience with video. This session will cover the broad menu of video tools available to faculty and staff, including YuJa, TechSmith Camtasia, Adobe and Microsoft 365, oh my!

Teaching Assistant Start of Fall Term Drop-In
Monday, September 9
11:00AM - 12:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by the FCDC

This TA drop-in provides a dedicated space for new and returning teaching assistants to come together to discuss teaching and pedagogy-related ideas and concerns. It is an open space to ask questions, share approaches and strategize with colleagues as you start the term.

Teaching Awards Brown Bag Lunch Panel
Thursday, September 12
12:00PM - 1:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by the FCDC

Join us for a brown bag lunch panel featuring recipients of OCAD U's 2023-2024 Teaching Awards. This event is a chance for the OCAD U community to celebrate the Teaching Award recipients and to learn from their unique pedagogical insights and strategies that have made a significant impact on students. Panelists will be in conversation with each other and with moderator Laura Thrasher (FCDC).

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What's New in Microsoft 365
Friday, September 13
11:00AM - 12:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by IT Services

Microsoft are constantly adding new features and responding to user feedback to improve 365. This session will cover new features and functionality in Outlook, Teams, PowerPoint, Forms and a number of other applications.

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What's New in Canvas: Lucid and More
Friday, September 20
11:00AM - 12:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by IT Services

There are a ton of new features coming to Canvas, including whiteboarding, charting and mapping applications Lucidchart and Lucidspark. There is a new Block Editor coming, as well as Discussion summaries, and Intelligent Insights.

Facilitating Brave Conversations
Monday, September 23
11:00AM - 12:30PM | *113 McCaul St., Level 5, Room 512*

Presented by the FCDC

In this session, we will focus on strategies to activate brave conversations in day-to-day teaching. How can faculty respond to incommensurable perspectives that emerge in classroom discussion? How can we scaffold in-class discussions in the design of accountable and compassionate learning environments? Through the examination of case studies, we will discuss practical strategies to facilitate skillful engagement in courageous conversations.

Sustainability Community of Practice
Wednesday, September 25
10:00AM - 11:30AM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by the FCDC and ODESI

As a group, we will create spaces for organic discussion and resource-sharing that deepens our engagement with sustainability in the curriculum and supports us as we continue to integrate sustainability pedagogies across our programs.

Skills Acquisition with LinkedIn Learning
Friday, September 27
11:00AM - 12:00PM | *Online via Teams*

Presented by IT Services

Looking to learn a new application from scratch or improve your organizational or management skills? LinkedIn Learning is a comprehensive learning resource with content from professionals that you can access on any device. Join us to learn how you can get the most out of using LinkedIn Learning with your students or staff. Jacqueline Beall from LinkedIn Learning is joining us for this session.

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