

SAC Faculty Fellow Newsletter

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The past few days have NOT looked like this picture, instead we've had warm days and sun.

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Greetings & Announcements!

Hello Again!

Yesterday I ran the Austin Half Marathon! It was a slow slow race and I don't my time was what it could have been but I still finished. I am looking forward to more races ahead!

The last week of February has some really great professional development offerings including Digital Learning Day on Tuesday, February 22 and the PAC Symposium on Friday, February 25th!

I hope to see you in Zoom real soon! We'll all cross the Learning Finish Line together!



Important Dates

[SAC Scores Day](#)

February 25

Spring Break

March 14-20

Fiesta Holiday - College Closed

April 8

Easter Holiday-College Closed

April 15 - 17

Last Day to withdraw

April 18

SAC Faculty Fridays at the Teaching & Learning Center

Drop in and learn something new with at SAC TLC Faculty Fridays! The schedule will be available for you on the calendar at the [SAC TLC website](#). All sessions are on Zoom, see the SAC TLC Calendar for the link.

No Faculty Friday on Feb 25 because of [SAC Scores Day](#).

First Year Experience

Mar 4 2022 10:03 AM

SLOs: Overview of Learning Assessment at SAC

Mar 4 2022 02:03 PM

Online Teaching Certification (Hybrid)

The Teaching and Learning Center offers Online Teaching Certification to all faculty (full-time and adjunct) at San Antonio College. The goal is to certify all faculty to teach online so that we can offer additional online sections.

There's still time to register!

Cohort 22 gets started on February 21. You have two sections to choose:

- Section 1 - Completely online (asynchronous)
- Section 2 - Remote synchronous, sessions are on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon and last one hour.

[Click here to let us know which Section you prefer](#)



Professional Development

The Screen and Keys Tech for Teaching & Learning

Here are offerings based in using technology to your advantage. If you want to become more proficient in using tech then keeping reading. Registration for all training is available in AlamoTALENT! All workshops are held online.

Digital Learning Day

Tue, Feb 22 - 10:00 AM - 3:30 PM

ACOL and Faculty Development are hosting an active day of course design lightning-round sessions to highlight how today's educators are "creating robust, authentic, and personalized digital learning opportunities for students inside and outside the classroom anytime, anywhere."

[Click for details and schedule](#)

eSignature Adobe Acrobat

Mon, Feb 21, 2022, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Tue, Mar 1, 2022, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Learn to create, sign, send documents w/ 100% legal e-Signatures using Adobe.

[Click to join meeting](#)

Tech Tuesdays | New Canvas Quizzes

Tue, Feb 22, 2022, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

This session will provide Canvas users a timeline and product overview for transitioning to New Quizzes, the successor to Canvas "Classic Quizzes"

[Click to join meeting](#)

My Media: Step by Step

Tue, Feb 22, 2022, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Upload or record your own multimedia videos to stream directly to the classroom or canvas page.

[Click to join meeting](#)

Zoom: Pick Your Topic

Thu, Feb 24, 2022, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Learn how to create a meeting for video and audio conferencing; start a meeting, record a meeting, security features, save recordings to Canvas course and My Media. Stay for an overview or ask a question as your schedule allows.

[Click to join session](#)

Computer Literacy and Security

Thu, Feb 24, 2022, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

BioSig-ID is the enabling technology selected to support the Alamo Colleges in verifying the identity of online students. This solution will only be used in fully-online courses at this time.

[Click to join meeting](#)

Microsoft Teams

Thu, Mar 3, 2022, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Microsoft Teams is a collaboration app that helps your team stay organized by keeping notes, documents and conversations together all in one place.

[Click to join session](#)



Professional Development

Rev Up Your Classroom with Professional Development

Every two weeks I will provide you with the latest professional development workshops. Come join us and learn something new to rev up your classroom! Registration for all training is available in AlamoTALENT—your one-stop shop for faculty development. All professional development workshops and classes are held online.

Canvas Tools-Pick Your Topic

Wed, Feb 23, 2022, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Wed, Mar 2, 2022, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Pick your topics of focus, i.e. Quizzes, Grades, Assignments. Stay for an overview or ask a question as your schedule allows.

[Click to join session](#)

APPQMR Workshop SAC Spring Schedule

Wed, Feb 9, 2022, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Faculty will need to registering in Alamo Talent to take the 8 Hour version of the APPQMR Rubric Workshop.

- March 25, 2022
- April 29, 2022
- May 20, 2022

Register in AlamoTALENT

We're Glad You're Here Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Wherever you might be in this journey, you'll find connection, shared values, and growth. Find ways to promote equity and inclusion through the courses and workshops listed here! All workshops are held online.

Common Read: The Little Book of Racial Healing

Starts Wed, Feb 23, 2022, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

[Click to register](#)

Gender Equity: LGBTQIAP+ Ally Training

Tue, Mar 1, 2022, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

LGBTQIAP+ Ally Training provides a safe space to gain knowledge and skills about gender and sexual diversity.

[Click to join session](#)

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DEI Session: Practices for Empowering LGBTQIA+ Students

Fri, Mar 4, 2022, 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

In this session, participants will be introduced to the social dimensions of being LGBTQIA+ in higher education. Information will be provided about the anti-LGBTQIA+ microaggressions, discrimination, and oppression that students face. Participants will also be given classroom practices to empower students.

[Click to join session](#)



Professional Development Cont.

Connect and Breathe Faculty Wellness

Need to get back to center and just find a little space? Pull up the comfy chair and sit with us for a moment to learn how a little self-care goes a long way. These events are online.

Virtual Chair Yoga

Tue, Feb 25, 2022, 2:15 PM - 2:45 PM

Fri, Mar 4, 2022, 12:15 PM - 12:45 PM

Chair yoga brings the best of yoga practices to the seat of your chair.

[Click to join session](#)

Financial Wellness Series Spring 2022: Debt Focus

Tue, Feb 22, 2022, 1:15 PM - 2:15 PM

The vast majority of us have some debt. Too many of us have debt problems. We discuss ways to come back from the brink, as well as ways to be calm and strategic about reducing and retiring your debt.

[Click to join meeting](#)

Your Not In Kansas Anymore! Dealing with Stress

Thu, Feb 24, 2022, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Do you feel like you've been picked up and dropped in a different world? Welcome to the Post- Covid 19 World. Learn and understand what this new environment is and how to navigate and succeed through it.

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You're Invited To Attend The 2022 PAC Faculty Symposium!

Fri, Feb 25, 2022 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

All faculty and staff are encouraged to register and attend PAC's Faculty Symposium, a half-day learning summit to showcase faculty scholarship, to provide faculty enrichment, and to explore discipline-specific pedagogy.

[Click to register for this event](#)



Meet Your Faculty Fellow



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[SAC Faculty Fellowcast](#)



My role is to provide professional development support for all faculty at SAC. Additionally, I will work to update this newsletter bi-monthly, and keep you informed of important dates and upcoming events. It is my intention to serve SAC faculty and meet your professional development needs to the best of my ability. Please know that my heart, mind, and door is open and do not hesitate to reach out as you are willing and able. I can be reached via email at: arocha17@alamo.edu or—by golly—just put yourself on my calendar using my online scheduler. The link is provided below:

[Schedule a Chat with Me!](#)

If you don't already know me, I am a teaching artist! My primary discipline is music, and my instrument is the cello. I've worked in faculty development since 2016 teaching prekindergarten educators how to incorporate performing arts techniques into the classroom. I am trained through the Wolf Trap Institute for Early Learning Through the Arts, and I have participated in the Artists as Educators Seminar, Mapping the Journey: Planning Effective Residencies for Students developed by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

I am also adjunct faculty at San Antonio College and teach cello, viola, and had the distinct pleasure of working with the SAC Chamber Ensemble before COVID required us to work online. I started my career with Alamo Colleges at St. Philip's assisting with INRW in the English department, and I have taught cello and music theory at Northwest Vista College.

So enough about me, I want to learn about you! Please stay in touch.

