

SAC Faculty Fellow Newsletter

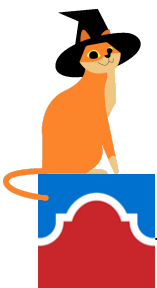
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Spooky season is here! I love how the whole city starts to dress up for all the end of the year holidays.

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Greetings & Announcements!

Hello Again!

So much for our flash of cool weather! That's okay, I am not ready to give up my swimming plans just yet. Speaking of, I hope the semester is starting to swim along nicely for you! In this edition you'll find useful tips and some dates to keep on your calendar. Keep reading!

Join me on Wed, Oct 13 & 27 at 3:00 PM for a SAC Teaching Circle! If you're interested in getting together to share insights or just meet other faculty.

[Click to RSVP](#)

EduTech | Technology in the Classroom

Fri, Nov 12, 2021, 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Onsite Location: Region 20 Education Service Center

Online: Information Coming Soon

Save the date for this year's EduTECH! Open to all Alamo Colleges District Faculty and Instructional Staff, EduTECH is a great way to exchange ideas, learn new technology, build successful partnerships and determine the future direction of teaching with technology.

REGISTRATION COMING SOON!



Important Dates

16 wk - Midterm Early Alert Due
Oct 18, 2021

16 wk - Midterm Grades Due
Oct 18, 2021

**Employee Development Day -
College Closed**
Oct 29, 2021

Flex 1 - Last Day to Withdraw
Oct 1, 2021

Flex 1 - Final Exams
Oct 13 - 16



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. Below is a sneak peak at what's in store for October 2021:

Ascender at SAC

Fri, Oct 22, 2021, 11:03 AM - 11:47 AM

High Impact Practices: First Year Experience, Internships, & First Year Seminars

Fri, Oct 22, 2021, 2:03 PM - 2:57 PM

**No Faculty Friday on October 29th due to ACD Employment Development Day*



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.

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.

Please register in Alamo Talent.

Next Session(s):

- October 18 - 28, Synchronous
- November 1 - 11, Synchronous
- November 1 - 21 (hybrid)

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Faculty Tips & Tricks will return
next issue!



Mapping Global Learning Module 1

Fri, Oct 15, 2021, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Course internationalization is the process by which global elements are added on or infused into the course content. Our goal is to provide our students with global learning opportunities at home through curriculum and co-curricular activities internationalization efforts. These synchronous and asynchronous sessions and modules will assist you in creating a plan to infuse the global objectives into your course and achieving the Alamo Global Course distinction.

Collaborative Assignments in Online Courses 2021 Workshops

Thu, Oct 21, 2021, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Collaborative Assignments in Online Courses (High Impact Practice) Online students notoriously loathe group projects, and yet collaboration is a critical skill in the modern workplace. This workshop will cover how to design effective collaborative assignments that enhance the online learning experience.

Canvas Analytics 2021 Workshops

Thu, Oct 28, 2021, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Ever wish you had a bird's-eye view of how students are doing in your online course? Come learn how to use the New Analytics tool to better track student participation and performance.



Professional Development Cont.

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.

Computer Literacy

Mon, Oct 11, 2021, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

This course focuses on the Microsoft Windows 10 operating system, introduction to computer terminology, network security, web browser settings and more.

Tech Tuesdays

Alamo Experience

Tue, Oct 12, 2021, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Converting Canvas Quizzes

Tue, Oct 26, 2021, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Office 365/One Drive

Mon, Oct 18, 2021, 2:00 PM - 3:05 PM

Learn how to access Office 365 with everything Microsoft Office has to offer, including the favorites, such as Excel, PowerPoint, Word, and One Drive.

Defining Digital Accessibility

Fri, Oct 22, 2021, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

What is digital accessibility? Do we really have to follow it? Isn't that just closed captions? Answers to these questions and more at a one hour joint professional development with Alamo Colleges Online, Amy Gates and Faculty Development specialist, Bobbie Myatt present the first of a two part series, "Defining Digital Accessibility."

Microsoft Teams

Mon, Oct 25, 2021, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Learn how to access Office 365 with everything Microsoft Office has to offer, including the favorites, such as Excel, PowerPoint, Word, and One Drive.

Zoom Training

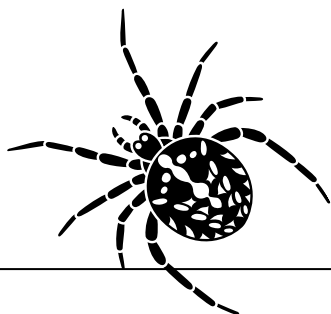
Tue, Oct 26, 2021, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

This course focuses on the Microsoft Windows 10 operating system, introduction to computer terminology, network security, web browser settings and more.

Faculty Friday Drop Ins

Fri, Oct 22, 2021, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Do you have a question about Canvas or Zoom? Is there a concern that you want to voice? Would you like to just chat about teaching with colleagues? Join District Faculty Development during our drop in hours. Come and go as you need!



More Professional Development

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. This event is online. Register for these sessions in AlamoTALENT.

Well-Being Wednesdays

Recur every Wednesday from 2:15 - 2:45 PM
See AlamoTALENT for Zoom information.

Virtual Yoga

Fri, Oct 15, 2021, 12:15 PM - 12:45 PM
&
Fri, Oct 22, 2021, 12:15 PM - 12:45 PM

A gentle series of traditional poses to lengthen muscles and to restore mind, body, and spirit. May be performed in a standing or seated position. All levels welcome.

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. Registration for all training is available in AlamoTALENT! All workshops are held online.

Allyship: In-group Emphasis of Social Justice

Wed, Oct 13, 2021, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

This workshop continues the journey and conversation to promote equity and inclusion in the workplace. Join this session to learn the lifelong process of building relationships based on trust, consistency, and accountability with marginalized individuals and/or groups of people.

Gender Equity: LGBTQIAP+ Ally Training

Wed, Oct 20, 2021, 12:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Gender Equity: LGBTQIAP+ Ally Training provides a safe space to gain knowledge and skills about gender and sexual diversity. This workshop offers a safe space to ask questions and engage in conversation we do not often have the chance to explore around gender equity.

Impact & Understanding Microaggressions

Wed, Oct 20, 2021, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Many people have heard of the term "microaggression", but few understand the true meaning. Join this 1-hour session for a conversation that will define microaggression. This session will increase critical consciousness to empower us to create a welcoming environment for all.



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.

