

Center for Excellence in Teaching & Learning at USI

Programs and Services to Support Teaching & Learning

Making Teaching & Learning Visible

Opportunities to discuss ideas & issues, build community, and engage in growth and reflection

Gather Information to Inform Improvements

FACT Mid-Semester Feedback

Mid-semester feedback from your students through discussions guided by consultants. Enhance the learning experience and rapport with your students. 20-minute class visit + 30-minute follow-up

COPUS Observations

Gather non-evaluative information on what you and your students do during a class session and quantify active learning. Class visit + 30-minute follow-up meeting

Custom Class Observations

Formative evaluation to identify your strengths and suggest ways to enhance your teaching practice. Customized based on individual needs. Class visit + 30-minute follow-up conversation

Individual Consultations

Topics include teaching strategies and effectiveness, assignment design, course development, student learning issues, scholarship of teaching & learning (SoTL). Varies

Foster Self-Reflection and Your Learning

Teaching Nest Program

Prompt self-reflection on teaching and build community with others across disciplines by visiting classes of 2-3 other instructors (in-person or online). 4-5 hours across a semester

Teaching & Learning Workshops

Explore evidence-based strategies to enhance teaching and student learning. 1-1.5 hours each

Faculty Learning Communities

Discussions and explorations around common teaching and learning interests and goals within a cohort. Topics vary by semester. ~4 meetings across a semester

CETL Weekly Newsletters

Quick Reads on teaching, learning & faculty development; upcoming events. 15 minutes/week

Celebration of Teaching & Learning Symposium

Spark ideas for enhancing student learning and share your teaching practices with colleagues across campus. February 2022

Additional Faculty Development Opportunities

Writing Workshops and Groups

Participate in writing challenges and groups while testing writing productivity strategies to meet your goals. 1.5-hour workshop + writing time

Faculty Website Workshops

Create or modify content for your USI faculty website to enhance visibility. 1 hour to get started

Portfolio Development Consultations

Services include informal review of narrative and CV and portfolio preparation. Varies

Individual Consultations

Services include informal portfolio development support and manuscript review. Varies

New Faculty Academy

Year-long program to jump-start a new faculty member's success. 1 hour every 2-3 weeks

Chairs Community of Practice

Enhance effectiveness as chair and support those who serve in this role. 1 hour monthly

SoTL Fellows Program

Year-long program to develop and conduct Scholarship of Teaching & Learning in a learning community. Varies

Thank a Faculty or Staff Member

Offers current and past USI students a way to express their gratitude to a person who has made a difference in their educational experience. 10 minutes

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