AGENDA: VIRTUAL PROGRAM FOR FACULTY NEW TO VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY
August 11-12, 2020

Given the COVID-19 context, the pre-Fall semester program will consist of three parts: (1) asynchronous course offered in Blackboard (Bb) LMS, accompanied by virtual check-ins; (2) August synchronous program; and (3) Fall synchronous sessions to support you in your teaching, research, and academic career success.

Program Goals: Introduce you to Villanova and your role as teacher-scholar; engage with colleagues, answer your questions, begin your journey as a member of our academic community.

Faculty Blog: Onboarding, policies, academic resources, teaching practices, and program materials: http://vitalnfp.blogspot.com/

Self-Guided Teaching Seminar in Bb LMS: Access under “My Organizations” offers online teaching and syllabus videos, academic support services videos, instructional technology support, mission and Augustinian pedagogy

Link to Zoom Room for Program: https://villanova.zoom.us/j/95926937449

Tuesday, August 11

9:30 – 10:00 a.m.  Welcome and Overview
Gabriele Bauer, PhD, Director, Villanova Institute for Teaching and Learning (VITAL)
Andy-Guoqiang Cui, PhD, Associate Director for eLearning Pedagogy, VITAL

10:00 - 10:20 a.m.  Welcome to the Villanova University Community and Mission
Rev. Peter Donohue, O.S.A., PhD, President
Beth Hassel, P.B.V.M., D.Min., Director, Center for Faith and Learning
Office for Mission and Ministry

10:20 – 10:45 a.m.  Office of the Provost – Welcome, Academics and Resources
Patrick G. Maggitti, PhD, Provost
Craig Wheeland, PhD, Vice Provost for Academics
Randy Weinstein, PhD, Associate Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning

10:45 – 11:15 a.m.  Who Are Our Students?
Kathleen Byrnes, Associate Vice President for Student Life

11:15 – 11:30 a.m.  Break

11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.  Faculty Panel: Teaching at Villanova: Rewards, Challenges, and Opportunities
Thomas Griffin, PhD, Assistant Professor, Finance & Real Estate, VSB
Michelle McKay, PhD, RN, CCRN, Assistant Professor, M. Louise Fitzpatrick College of Nursing
Peter Muller, PhD, Assistant Professor, Mathematics & Statistics, CLAS
Ashley Pattwell, PhD, Assistant Teaching Professor, Communication, CLAS
Adrienne Perry, PhD, Assistant Professor, English, CLAS
Shweta Shrestha, PhD, Assistant Teaching Professor, Civil & Environmental Engineering, College of Engineering

12:15 – 12:45 p.m.  Answering Questions About Teaching in an Unpredictable and Evolving Environment
Randy Weinstein, PhD, Associate Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning

12:45 – 1:00 p.m.  Reflection Day 1
Gabriele Bauer and Andy-Guoqiang Cui, VITAL
Lang, J. Small Teaching: The last 5 minutes of class, Chronicle, March 2016
Optional Sessions, Tuesday, August 11
Please join the session that you are interested in; no registration required.

2:00 – 3:15 p.m.  
(1) Blackboard LMS for Course Organization, Engagement and Assessment: Open Lab  
(2) Teaching with Zoom: Training Session  
Ankit Desai, Director, Learning Technologies and Colleagues, UNIT-IT and Andy-Guoqiang Cui, VITAL  
Link to Zoom Room: https://villanova.zoom.us/j/93942251117?pwd=a1FHUUF2RMMVFl0G5te0ZE9jZz09

(3) Syllabus Review: Focus on Inclusion, Learning and Support  
Gabriele Bauer, VITAL  
Note. Please be prepared to share a digital copy of a fall course syllabus for review.  
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Wednesday, August 12

12:15 – 12:50 p.m.  
Library Services for Faculty and Discussion with Liaison Librarians  
Millicent Gaskell, University Librarian and Director, Falvey Memorial Library  
Falvey Memorial Library Staff and Departmental Liaisons

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.  
How Can We Support Our Students to Succeed Personally and Academically?  
Nicole Subik, MS ED, Director, Learning Support Services  
Mary Beth Simmons, M.F.A., Director, Villanova Writing Center  
Joan G. Whitney, PhD, Associate Vice President and Executive Director, University Counseling Center

2:00 – 2:15 p.m.  
Break

2:15 – 3:00 p.m.  
Inclusive Learning Environments  
Terry Nance, PhD, Vice President of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion  
Chief Diversity Officer, Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (ODEI)  
Ariella Robbins, MS, Training Manager, ODEI

3:00 – 3:45 p.m.  
Teaching at Villanova: Engaging the Heart and the Mind  
Teresa Wojcik, Associate Professor, Education and Counseling, CLAS

3:45 – 4:00 p.m.  
The First Day of Class: Establishing Connections  
Gabriele Bauer and Andy-Guoqiang Cui, VITAL  
Lang, J. How to teach a good first day of class, Chronicle, January 2019

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