



Faculty FYI

August 12, 2019

Greetings, Faculty,

This week's Faculty FYI will be the longest of the semester. You'll be able to find a copy of it at <https://txwes.edu/cetl> in a day or so.

What's Included

- Learning Summit, Aug. 13-16
- Windows 10 on Podium and Lab Computers
- Updated Blackboard Login Page and Tabs
- How to Shorten the List of Courses that Appear in My Courses on Blackboard
- Help! My Course is Available, but It's Not Ready!
- Request a Course Copy
- Let go of Mediasite and Embrace YuJa

Learning Summit, August 13-16

Think of this event as a mini-conference. We have a fabulous guest speaker lined up, as well as concurrent session W-F.

- Dr. Joshua Eyler – Guest Speaker
 - Keynote address at 10 a.m. on 8/13 in the Science Lecture Theater—"The Science of Learning and Why It Matters"
 - Hands-on workshop at 1 p.m. on 8/13 in Lou's Place--"Cultivating Curiosity in the Classroom," is from 1-2 p.m. in Lou's Place.
 - Attend one or both events. [Register here to ensure we have enough seating for the workshop.](#)
- 30-60 minute workshops, Aug. 14-16
 - [Schedule with session descriptions](#)
 - [At-a-glance schedule](#)

Goodbye, Windows 7! Hello, Windows 10

IT is working on updating University computers with Windows 10. This summer, all lab and podium computers were upgraded to Windows 10. If you've never used Windows 10, visit a classroom or lab before classes start to familiarize yourself with the system. We've put together an overview of the important changes, which will go live at <https://txwes.edu/cetl> this week. The news story will also be available in the next issue of The Flame.


Updated Blackboard Login Page and Tabs

Isn't the updated Blackboard login page pretty? Marketing did a great job designing it for us! You'll notice that there are fewer tabs in the streamlined user interface. [Review major changes and newly available resources in a PDF.](#) Don't forget to check out the Blackboard Orientation for Students (we'll update the Level Up materials soon).

How to Shorten the List of Courses that Appear in My Courses on Blackboard

Does a long list of courses in the My Courses box on the Home tab of Blackboard have you scrolling, scrolling.....still scrolling?

Personalize: My Courses

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2 Courses are grouped by term by default. Uncheck this box for an alternate

☐ Group by Term

My Courses

Courses where you are: Instructor

19-SP-MGT-3331-01: 19/SP-MGT-3331-01-Sales Management
Instructor: Yashar Dehdashti, Natalie Parker, Amy Porubsky,

CETL-BB-101-19: Blackboard 101
Instructor: Natalie Parker, Amy Porubsky, Gwendolyn Williams,

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Instructor: Natalie Parker, Amy Porubsky, Gwendolyn Williams,

EDIT COURSE LIST

3 Use the check box next to each course name to control whether or not a course appears in My Courses.

Courses you are teaching:

Select All/Unselect All	Course	Course Name	Course ID	Instructors	Announcements	Tasks
<input type="checkbox"/>	16-SU2-ANE-6605-01: 16/SU2-ANE-6605-01-Princ of Anes Pract					

Help! My Course is Available, but It's Not Ready!

First of all, if your course *isn't* available, you might need to contact the Help Desk. If, on the other hand, you are frantically creating content, fixing your syllabus, or even enjoying the last days of summer, you have a number of options:

1. Post a welcome announcement. Let students know when they can expect the syllabus and other content to be available.
2. Make a temporary landing page that says "Site Still Under Construction."
3. Hide content areas on the course menu.
4. Use adaptive release to control when course content becomes visible.

If you're unsure about how to do take these steps, call or email us!

Need a Course Copy?

Send your request to cetl@txwes.edu ASAP.

Use YuJa!

You still have access to Mediasite (but you shouldn't). Your access to Mediasite will end sometime between now and early November. If you had content on Mediasite, it's been migrated to YuJa servers. Email cetl@txwes.edu if you'd like us to place your content in your YuJa folder. YuJa is also available to your students, has lots of cool features, and the recording and editing features are much easier than the ones in Mediasite.

Thanks for all you do!

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