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TODAY	TOMORROW	THURSDAY
7:00 Wingate Memorial Carillon Recitals	12:00 Informal conversation hour on Black Lives Matter and police shootings	

Reminder for Faculty - Export Blackboard Course Content

As you are aware, AU will discontinue its use of the Blackboard LMS Monday, Aug. 15, 2016. The Canvas LMS will be used for AU's fall courses.

Instructors have access to their fall courses in Canvas and may begin adding materials at any time.

As a part of AU's Canvas contract, courses from Spring 2016 and Fall 2015 are being imported into Canvas for you. These courses are located in the Migrations Term, and you may copy them into your current or future courses.

Any faculty members wishing to re-use other content from Blackboard will need to export their courses and save them for later use. Course content from Blackboard can be imported into Canvas using the Blackboard course format or the Common Cartridge format.

Instructions for both export file formats are attached.

During the course import process, it has come to our attention that courses containing MP4 files frequently fail upon import. If you have MP4 files in your courses, you should remove them before exporting the course content. All MP4s and video files should be uploaded to the Ensemble streaming service. The resulting URLs should be pasted into Canvas. For assistance, please contact the ITS Helpdesk at 607.871.2222.

Canvas trainings are being offered throughout the summer and fall. If you have any questions, please contact Meghanne Freivald at 607.871.2363 or via email.

Link: [Import Course Content into Canvas](#)

Attachment: [Export courses in Blackboard Format](#)

Attachment: [Export Courses in Common Cartridge Format](#)

Submitted by: Meghanne Freivald

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Reminder: Export Non-Academic Blackboard Content

On August 15, AU will discontinue its use of Blackboard. At that time, Canvas will be the only Learning Management System at AU. Many divisions and groups use Blackboard for communication and document sharing. If you manage one of these non-academic courses and would like to transfer it into Canvas, you will need to do the following:

1. Contact ITS and request that a Canvas course be created for you.
2. Export your content from Blackboard and import it into your new Canvas course.

Only the requested courses will be added to Canvas by ITS. If you have a non-academic course and no longer need it, you do not need to do anything. If you have any questions, or if you would like to set up a non-academic course in Canvas, please contact Meghanne Freivald at 607.871.2363 or via email.

Attachment: [Export_Bb_Courses_Bb_Format.pdf](#)

Submitted by: Meghanne Freivald

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Jedi Academy program for area children

Jedi Academy with David Engel will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 23 at 1:00 pm at the Nancy Howe Auditorium at the David A. Howe Public Library, 155 N. Main St., Wellsville. You are invited to learn the ways of the Jedi with Panniken Moonjumper, a true Master of Intergalactic fun and adventure. During this engaging program by veteran family entertainer David Engel (creator of the popular show Pirate School!) your little Jedi Warriors and Rebel Princesses will be delighted by comic antics, exciting physical challenges, magical mayhem, light saber lessons and a visit from his furry alien sidekick. The performance will be followed at 2 pm by a special showing of the 2008 film based on characters created by George Lucas. This library-sponsored concert is free and open to the general public.

Submitted by: Susan Goetschius

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Tennis Camp Court Priority

Tennis Camp will be held from July 18th-22 from 8AM-2PM. This group will have priority of the outdoor & indoor courts (if necessary) for these dates & times.

Submitted by: Tony Aquilina

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Office 365 Migration

Alfred University will soon be migrating to Office 365 for our Email Service. This will bring several benefits to our students, as well as to faculty and staff. Office 365 is fully supported by Microsoft, giving added functionality and reliability. The roll out of Office 365 will occur over the coming months, and initial testing shows a seamless transition. You may see a notification in Outlook that changes

have been made and that Outlook needs to be restarted. As with any change, there can be initial issues, but the benefits far outweigh the small obstacles we may have to overcome from the start. These benefits include:

- * Mailbox size for everyone is 50 Gigabytes (no more needing to have your mailbox expanded).
- * Allowable attachment size increases to 150 Megabytes (currently 15 megabytes).
- * Enhanced Email Security
- * Office products (Word, Excel, etc.) will be free to download on up to 5 PC's per user (this includes students).
- * Sharing and real-time collaboration on Office documents
- * Future access to OneDrive with 1 Terabyte of space per user (this is part of Office 365, but is a future project after implementation of the email service).

ITS is excited to bring these benefits and more in the coming months. Additional notification will be coming as we start the migration process. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Help Desk at x2222.

Submitted by: Keith Loines

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In response to recent tragedies...

As the nation struggles with the string of tragic events involving Black Lives Matter and police shootings, we hope to continue to address the needs of our own community.

On Wednesday at noon in Nevins Theater, Dan Napolitano and student Hakiere Parker will share some of their work in Rochester including attending a BLM rally and conducting outreach into neighborhoods with the Rochester Police Department. A full link to Dan's blog about finding common ground between police and protestors can be found at link below.

Any individual wishing to be part of this very informal panel, is asked to contact Dan at d2d@alfred.edu. Time will also be allotted for additional feedback and suggestions.

Link: [Dan's blog](#)

Submitted by: Dan Napolitano

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Opportunity to Apply for a Fulbright Grant

Each year, nearly 2000 students across the U.S. are awarded Fulbright grants to study, pursue independent research, or teach English in more than 140 countries. Fulbright awards are in nearly all fields and disciplines, including creative and performing arts.

Graduating seniors, graduate students, and recent Alfred University graduates are eligible to apply. There is no age limit.

The Fulbright program is looking for applicants who are ambitious, engaging, flexible, culturally sensitive, caring, and diverse.

If this sounds like the kind of opportunity that you might want to pursue, register for an upcoming webinar at the link below.

For further information, contact Ellen Bahr, Fulbright Program Advisor, at bahr@alfred.edu.

Link: [Webinars for Potential Fulbright Applicants](#)

Submitted by: Ellen Bahr

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