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TODAY

TOMORROW

THURSDAY

2:00 [Lessons Learned for Online Teaching](#)**Return to Work Training, Quiz, and Policy**

All employees received a link in their email inbox on 7/8/2020 to take the COVID Return to Work Training from Canvas.

Before returning to work or on your first day back, you will need to log into canvas using your AU credentials:

- Review the training power point
- Take the short quiz
- Review the Return to Work Policy

It is your responsibility as a University employee that you know the proper procedures and protocol for returning to work and doing so safely.

Any questions regarding the training, please reach out to Kayleigh Jones.

Link: [Canvas Course Link](#)

Submitted by: Kayleigh Jones

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## Universal Design for Learning (UDL) Workshop

Universal Design for Learning (UDL) involves the process of creating learning experiences that are appropriate for all students, regardless of learning or circumstantial differences. This live, virtual workshop will be facilitated by AU's Universal Design Task Force. It will cover UDL guidelines and strategies that faculty can incorporate into their online (and in-person) teaching. Faculty will be asked to reflect on the needs of their students and their teaching practices. The workshop will include discussion of potential challenges posed by a variety of learning and circumstantial differences. Faculty will be asked to think about their learning objectives, and consider specific UDL strategies as they plan for the fall semester. Participants will also collaborate and brainstorm to develop new strategies they can use in their courses in order to better serve the needs of all students.

The workshop will be held on Friday, August 14 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. If you would like to participate, please contact Meghanne Freivald or Samantha Dannick to receive the meeting link.

Submitted by: Meghanne Freivald

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## Online Delivery Orientation Available

Online Course Delivery Orientation is available to all faculty. This session is intended to provide guidance for online course development and best practices.

The following sessions are available:

Monday 8/10, 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Wednesday 8/12, 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Thursday 8/13, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

If you would like to participate in one of these sessions, please contact Meghanne Freivald to request the meeting link. All faculty are welcome to participate.

Submitted by: Meghanne Freivald

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## Free Breath-Body-Mind classes on Zoom

Breath-Body-Mind is a mindful practice involving gentle movements and breath practices to help reduce anxiety and improve overall well-being.

Free classes on Zoom on Tuesday 5-6pm.

Contact Cecilia at [fbeach@alfred.edu](mailto:fbeach@alfred.edu) for the Zoom link.

See <https://www.breath-body-m...> for more information

Submitted by: Cecilia Beach

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## TIAA Consultant & Virtual Counseling Sessions

A TIAA consultant will be conducting virtual retirement counseling sessions on Monday, August 24; Tuesday, September 8; and Wednesday, September 23. No matter where you are in life - just getting started or planning for retirement - a session can help you create a plan for your goals; and it is at no additional cost as a part of your retirement plan. To register for one of the virtual sessions, employees should call TIAA at 1.800.732.8353 and remain on the line for assistance; or register at [www.TIAA.org/schedulenow](http://www.TIAA.org/schedulenow).

Submitted by: Kim Wyant

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### **Foster Lake Closure**

Dear Foster Lake Community,

After consultation with the Allegany County Department of Health and the Alfred University Facilities organization we have decided that the Foster Lake recreational facility will remain closed until further notice. We do not have the resources which are required to open the facility for use and ensure the safety of the users according to New York State health codes and regulations. The Foster Lake manager, Dean Perry, is retiring on July 31, 2020 and new management of the facility will be established at a date yet to be determined.

Thank you for your patronage and support throughout this difficult time. Pass holder fees which have not been processed will be returned to the applicants. The existing paid pass holders will retain their existing status and their passes will be extended for the duration of the closure, however long that may be. If you have a specific question regarding Foster Lake you may contact the caretaker, Dave DeLany, via email at [delany@alfred.edu](mailto:delany@alfred.edu).

Best regards,

Dean Perry

Submitted by: Dean Perry

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### **MUSIC Courses and Lessons available to ALL Students**

AU Music Department Fall Courses

Private Lessons available to ALL Students from Beginners to Advanced:  
Guitar, Mandolin, Piano, Strings, Winds, Brass, Percussion, Voice and the Chinese Guzheng

Courses and Ensembles for credit- No prerequisites

MUSC 110 Music Appreciation  
MUSC 120 Fundamentals of Music & Technology  
MUSC 200 Music and Gaming  
MUSC 225 Music History: Medieval to Mozart  
MUSC 130 Beginning Piano  
MUSC 132 Beginning Voice Class  
MUSC 133 Music of the Guzheng

Ensembles are Free Overload credits  
Open to All Students

MUSC 272 Chamber Singers  
MUSC 273 Concert Band  
MUSC 274 Jazz Ensemble  
MUSC 275 Symphony Orchestra

MUSC 279 Chamber Music  
Guzheng Ensemble- instruments available

NO Auditions, and Instruments are available- Contact Raul Barcenes: [Barcenes@alfred.edu](mailto:Barcenes@alfred.edu)  
Lisa Lantz: [Lantz@alfred.edu](mailto:Lantz@alfred.edu)

Submitted by: Lisa Lantz

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### **New Toshiba Multi-Function Devices being deployed now!**

We are in the process of deploying a new fleet of leased multi-function printing devices across campus. These machines will fully meet if not exceed our needs and result in significant savings for the institution while adding several new features.

#### PaperCut for All

As a part of the deployment, we are adding PaperCut to every device on the MPS lease, a feature currently used by students on the public access printers. This will provide flexibility to securely print/scan from any Toshiba MPS device on campus. Fobs will be distributed over the next several days via inter-office mail; however, an AU username and password can be used in the meantime to print.

#### XMedius Fax

XMedius will allow individuals to send and receive faxes from your computer. Training on this feature will be available soon.

#### Managed Print Services

Non-MPS devices (desktop printers) will bear a Toshiba sticker with the Alfred University logo at the top, indicating that your device has been added to the program. As a networked printer, Toshiba will monitor the toner levels remotely and send supplies for the device(s) automatically, eliminating the need for departments to order toner/ink cartridges. Any issues with the devices should be reported to the ITS Helpdesk who will schedule any maintenance/repairs needed. If a desktop printer in your area does not have a sticker as described above, please reach out to [procurement@alfred.edu](mailto:procurement@alfred.edu) and we will help resolve the issue.

#### PrintReleaf

The PrintReleaf program plants trees in targeted reforestation areas based on the print activity of the devices. As part of the redeployment, the University will be added to Toshiba's global program.

Submitted by: Melissa Badeau

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### **Years of Service Recognition**

The Employee Recognition Committee would like to announce Years of Service dates for the month of August 2020. The Committee will be observing years 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, and 50.

The success of our organization is a direct result of your efforts and dedication. Your commitment to quality and personal and professional integrity is the differentiating factor that sets us apart from our competition.

On behalf of Alfred University, it is with great pride and admiration that we congratulate you on this service anniversary milestone.

#### Celebrating 1 Year of Service:

- 1- Heather Green- Admissions Receptionist
- 1- Ronald Demchak- Assistant Athletic Trainer
- 1- Olivia Costich- Hunt Seat Instructor/Trainer/Asst IHSA

- 15- Maureen Weiss- Assoc Prof Performance Design
- 15- Desmond Wallace- Asst Prof Political Science
- 15- Nicola Tulk- Asst Prof Theatre
- 15- Mina Sedaghat Jou- Asst Prof Education
- 15- Jason Morrison- Asst Prof Finance
- 15- Yavuz Keceli- Asst Prof Information Systems
- 15- Michelle Jaques-Leonard- Asst Prof Psychology
- 15- Molla Hasan- Asst Prof Mechanical Engineering
- 15- Shelly Freyn- Asst Prof Marketing
- 15- Timothy Ferdinands- Asst Prof Mathmetics
- 15- Angeline Felber- Instructor of Counseling
- 15- Jean Ellefson- Asst Prof Analytics
- 15- Raul Barcenos- Asst Prof Music
- 15-John Aulerich- Asst Prof Finance
- 15- Matthew Phillips- Head M/W Cross Country Coach
- 15- Eric Souther- Asst Prof Illustration Design
- 15- James Hansen- Asst Prof Art History

Celebrating 5 Years of Service:

- 10- Emma McDowell- Executive Asst, VP Student Affairs
- 15- Diana Maguire- Assoc Prof Management
- 15- Michele Lowry- Asst Prof Criminal Justice
- 15- Geoffrey Lippa- Asst Prof Biology
- 15- Steven Tidrow- Inamori Professor
- 15- Matthew Kelleher- Asst Prof Ceramics
- 17- Jeffrey Scharl- Assistant Director Admissions
- 24- Ann Rossington- Chemistry Tech
- 24- Jesse Plass- Gallery Preparator

Celebrating 10 Years of Service:

- 18- Rob Freeland- Supervisor, Heating Plant

Celebrating 15 Years of Service:

- 1- Kristen Vargason- Senior Assoc Director Transfer Admissions
- 22- Susan Weit- Regional Assoc Director Admissions
- 23- Jeffrey Sluyter-Beltrao- Assoc Prof Political Science
- 23- Joseph Petrillo- Professor Mathematics
- 28- Lynn Petrillo- Senior Lecturer English

Celebrating 20 Years of Service:

- 22- Kerry Kautzman- Assoc Prof Spanish
- 22- Jean Cardinale- Prof Biology
- 22- Sharon McConnell- Director Fosdick-Nelson Gallery

Celebrating 25 Years of Service:

- 14- Heather Yanda- Senior Lecturer English
- 23- Beth Ann Dobie- Provost & VP Academic Affairs

Celebrating 30 Years of Service:

- 6- Kimberly O'Rourke- Office Manger, Wellness Center
- 17- Kristen Karl- Manager, Saxon Inn
- 21- Susan Morehouse- Prof English

Celebrating 45 Years of Service:

- 25- Cathy Schnurle- Secretary, Financial Aid

Submitted by: Kayleigh Jones

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## Lessons Learned for Online Teaching

August 12th 2-3:30PM

Colleen Wahl will share the 'what worked and what didn't' in teaching and learning dance online, including her enriching experiences as an online dance student and the opportunities she is making for

online dance education.

Lauren Lake will present best practices (and lessons learned) for teaching through Canvas by sharing how she prepped, organized and set the stage for her asynchronous course: Sketchbook & Idea Development.

Matt Katz has been teaching at Alfred University since 2002. In 2015, because of family events he switched to teaching exclusively in online or hybrid formats, when he had to depart living in Alfred. Although coerced by life events, the change allowed for him to evolve his teaching practice. He was able to craft a curriculum for a subject that was seeming incompatible with online learning (Glaze Chemistry), that is not just embraced by his students, but changes the educational discourse in his field.

For the Zoom link see Meghen Jones weekly email or see the Online Faculty Development Task Force Resource Hub calendar on Canvas.

Link: [OFD Faculty Resource Hub](#)

Submitted by: Eric Souther

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### Dissertation Defense in School Psychology

Doctoral Candidate Bridget McGlynn will publicly defend her doctoral dissertation on Tuesday, August 11th at 10am.

Title: BEYOND A RUNNER'S HIGH: ASSESSING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN TRAIT MINDFULNESS AND RUNNING ACTIVITY IN ADOLESCENTS

The public is invited to attend. Please email [gardner@alfred.edu](mailto:gardner@alfred.edu) for the zoom invitation.

Submitted by: Rachel Gardner

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### Fall Course Schedule Changes

Changes to the fall schedule have been updated.

Changes students could see are:

- \* Course/s changed to all online or a hybrid.
- \* Location (building/room) of course/s changed to accommodate social distancing.

It is advised that all students view their class schedule to see how they were impacted. If class schedule needs to be adjusted for more or less online options; be sure to consult advisor or dean's office.

Submitted by: Tammy Jursza Williams

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