CELT Teaching Tip for April 30, 2020

Take a moment to celebrate!

Congratulations on the end of this historic semester in which we shifted from face-to-face to virtual teaching this spring semester!

To guide you through the grade submission process, follow the seven steps outlined on the End of Semester Checklist page (http://bit.ly/canvas-end). As a reminder, grades are due May 12 at 2:15 p.m.

For summer session courses or future semesters, consider how to make your classes even more engaging for yourself and your students:


- Explore the new CELT teaching with technology site (http://bit.ly/celt-tech) for instructional strategies, instructional tools, Quality Matters information, and more!


- Connect your students to the resources for their success on the Campus Resources to Support Students (http://bit.ly/celt-student). If you have a concern regarding a student’s well-being or behavior, contact a Student Assistance via phone 515-294-1020 or email studentassistance@iastate.edu, or you can refer a student via the “refer a student” link at the top of the Office of Student Assistance page (https://www.studentassistance.dso.iastate.edu/).

It's never too early to prepare for the next semester. Use the Start of Semester Checklist (http://bit.ly/canvas-start) to get a head start on your future courses.

Best wishes on the end of the semester,

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Professional development Opportunities

Apply for these CELT professional development programs (Due June 1)
Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) Scholars Program (http://bit.ly/celt-sotl)
Involves faculty framing and systematically investigating questions related to student learning, to improve their teaching as well as an advance practice beyond it through peer-reviewed presentations and publications.

Teaching and Learning Academy (http://bit.ly/celt-tla)
Participants attend monthly sessions that address course design, evidence-based teaching strategies, inclusive classroom practices, peer-review of teaching, and documentation of teaching effectiveness.

Teaching Partners Program (http://bit.ly/celt-tpp)
This cohort-based teaching and learning community supplements departmental mentoring by pairing a new instructor with a senior instructor from a different discipline who is a successful and experienced teacher.

Get started with 20-Minute Mentor Commons
You now have access to a on-demand digital library of that offers solutions to common classroom challenges-in just 20 minutes! Some of the most popular topics include:
- Classroom Management
- Assessment, Grading and Feedback
- Course Design
- Active and Engaged Students
- Inclusion
- Universal Design for Learning
- Building Online Classroom Community
Get started on your development via CELT's 20-Minute Mentor Commons page (http://bit.ly/celt-20)

Call for Proposals: $5000 Teach Access Grants (due June 1)
Awards of $5,000 each will be given to faculty to develop modules, presentations, exercises or curriculum enhancements or changes that introduce the fundamental concepts and skills (https://bit.ly/2Wfldsk [PDF]) of accessible design and development into their existing courses.

As long as you are a faculty or instructional staff member who teaches a course in technology design/development, you are eligible to apply for this $5,000 grant.

The folks at Teach Access (http://teachaccess.org/) just announced that they will be offering another round of the Teach Access Faculty Grants this year! All information can be found on the Faculty Grants page (http://teachaccess.org/initiatives/faculty-grants/).

Questions? Contact Cyndi Wiley (ISU Digital Accessibility Coordinator) via email at clwiley@iastate.edu

Know where to go at ISU
For help with the Gradebook tool, contact Canvas Support via the ?Help menu in Canvas:
All 24/7 support options may be found by clicking the ? Help icon (found on the left-hand navigation bar in Canvas https://canvas.iastate.edu/) to access the support available to you:
- 24/7 phone support. Call 515-294-4000, then follow the prompts to connect with Canvas support.
- Use the resources in the MyCanvas Teacher at ISU site (http://bit.ly/mycanvasteacher).

For help with the End-of-course checklist or Submit Grades tools, contact the ISU Solution Center:
- Email solution@iastate.edu
- Call 515-294-4000 and follow the prompts to receive support from Solution Center staff

Our ISU Campus Partners are here to help,
Call us through the CELT Response Team 515-294-5357 (Monday-Friday, 8-5 p.m.). We have staff across campus willing to assist. If needed, the campus partners will meet with you virtually using WebEx. Additionally, you may wish to contact one of the support units directly. Please note which program, department, or college each unit serves and contact the unit for your area (http://bit.ly/isu-support).