The Air University (AU) Teaching & Learning Center (TLC) is the focal point for activities related to the enhancement of teaching and learning at AU. We provide resources, expertise, guidance and facilities to increase the ability of faculty to teach and students to learn.

### News

- **Starting 18 Jan**, the Writing Lab will offer drop-in hours for students on Tuesdays, 0900-1100 and Thursdays, 1300-1500 in the TLC Café, room 216 (Ms. Meg Varney’s office). Drop-in hours are ideal for quick questions or a brief review of a section of a paper—no appointment needed!
- **The Teaching Essentials Course (TEC)** will stand down 28 Jan – 28 Feb to complete updates and implement improvements to the course. The online course will not be accessible during this time.
- **The 2022 MSOTL Forum** is now open for registration, and we are accepting proposals! This FREE two-day virtual event (13-14 Apr 22) promotes collaboration among military educators, addressing the scholarship of teaching and learning specific to military learners.*
- **An MSOTL Forum Proposal Prep Lunch ’n Learn** will be held on 12 Jan 1200. We will discuss the proposal process and conference details as you prepare to submit by 28 Jan.

*Email autlc@us.af.mil or call (334) 953-5454 for more information.

### TLC Programs

- **TEC is offered in multiple modalities; In Person, Hybrid, or Online Self-Paced.** For more information visit our [website](#).
  - **6 Jan - Cooperative Learning Techniques**: Explore the basic concepts and techniques of cooperative learning in the classroom. Take away practical ideas for structuring authentic learning experiences that maximize student engagement in your classrooms.
  - **24 to 28 Jan - Hybrid TEC Course**
  - **31 Jan to 25 Feb - Self-Paced, Asynchronous Course offline**

To enroll in the Asynchronous TEC, email autlc@us.af.mil or call (334) 953-5454.

- **Learn Tech Tours (LTT)**
  - **3rd Thursday at 1500 via Microsoft Teams**
    - **20 Jan - Meeting Owl Pro for Educators**
    - **17 Feb - CANVAS Open Mic session for Course Developers and Teachers**

### Teaching Essentials in 2022

**Customizable Workshops.** In March of 2021, the TEC team began a collaborative partnership with Dr. Kenith Isreal and the Barnes Center. Our team reviewed several lesson plans, and together we crafted a comprehensive set of recommendations to improve virtual learning. We designed face-to-face workshops to support the curriculum for beginning instructors. Topics included effective means of opening and closing lessons; incorporating active learning strategies, such as gamification, case studies, and simulations; and methods of providing supportive and constructive feedback. We’re kicking off 2022 with an online workshop. Using the Universal Design for Learning (UDL) framework, this workshop showcases research-based practices for making online learning accessible, engaging, and inclusive.

**Mentoring.** As the Air Force and Space Force observe National Mentoring Month in January, the TEC would like to emphasize our readiness to support AU faculty by offering one-on-one mentoring sessions. The TEC’s Professional Learning Communities lesson provides more information and strategies for effective mentoring amongst colleagues. With Drs. Ruth Busby and Kelly Jewell-Glasscock facilitating, Dr. Isreal and Lt Col Kliff Mosley served on a panel this summer to discuss the importance of mentoring and the symbiotic relationship between mentor and mentee. The recording is available via [Stream](#).

**Faculty Development Opportunities.** The TEC is a customizable course that can be used to create a faculty development program purposefully designed to meet the diverse needs of instructors at Air University. We can support your faculty programs through the 5-day hybrid or self-paced foundational course, 30-minute micro-sessions, custom workshops, supportive coaching, or resources and tools to supplement your program. Our next 5-day hybrid class begins at 0830 on 24 Jan. Registration closes 20 Jan with maximum participants set at 12. Email to register and reserve your spot or contact us with questions about how we can support your next faculty development experience.