News

• TLC Director, Dr. Megan Hennessey, met with AETC/A9 on 12-13 May to discuss Air University’s efforts to advance the scholarship of teaching and learning. She partnered with colleagues at Detachments 23 and 62 to explore advancements in immersive learning technology.

• Mr. Douglas McCarty attended the two-day AETC Force Development Environment Assessment 2030 Workshop at the University of Texas San Antonio (UTSA) hosted by AETC/A9Z. Command-wide teaching & learning experts met to formulate projections and set targets for future technologies incorporating diversity & inclusion.

• Congratulations to Ms. Fatema Zainab from Bangladesh! She is the first international student to complete the asynchronous (online) Teaching Essentials Course. For more information about this course or our other resources/programming, visit our website: www.airuniversity.af.edu/TLC/.

Writing Lab and IOS Collaboration for Student Writing Support

Although AWC and ACSC students have graduated and tutoring appointments have tapered off for the summer, the Writing Lab remains active, supporting the International Officer School’s prep courses for international students who will join AWC and ACSC in AY23. Ms. Meg Varney, Lead Writing Specialist, is teaching academic and professional communication skills to 18 students from nearly as many countries. Ms. Varney’s experience with AWC and ACSC writers throughout the year enhances her instructional approach at IOS, and her IOS experience informs the Writing Lab’s services and programming to better meet the needs of all students, American and international alike.

Beyond the summer, the collaboration continues: IOS faculty volunteer their time and expertise to serve as Writing Lab tutors, contributing to 862 tutoring sessions completed in AY22. Given the high demand for student writing support, IOS faculty play an essential role in the Writing Lab’s mission success. Dr. Evelyn Watkins-Bean, IOS Dean of Education, described the way tutoring helps inform IOS curriculum development: “I can actually see the assignments students are working on. I can see the struggles, the challenges they have, and we can now better focus on those in the IOS classroom—in the form of strategies and methods to improve.”

In all, the Writing Lab is honored to serve with IOS in developing effective communicators who will lead their fellow service members both here and abroad.

TLC Programs

Sign up now for the Asynchronous (online) Teaching Essentials Course: Explore best practices for facilitating an inclusive and active learning environment.

To register, visit our website or email autlc@au.af.mil.

Learn Tech Tours (LTT)
3rd Thursday at 1500 CT via Microsoft Teams

• 16 June - Tips for shooting and editing 360-degree educational videos
• 21 July - Podcasting and other educational audio recordings

Learn Tech Tip: You can share physical whiteboards using your camera in Teams meetings. See how by scanning the code.