



# TEACHING & LEARNING CENTER

## Newsletter



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

- **Attention AU faculty, please complete our 5-minute 2021-2022 Faculty Needs Assessment survey.** This electronic survey has six questions regarding your professional development interests and preferences. Your responses are collected via Qualtrics and are completely anonymous. Results will be used to improve our program planning at the Teaching & Learning Center as we design events that align with your goals.
- During the **2021 International Writing Center Association Conference (20-23 Oct)**, our Lead Writing Specialist, **Ms. Meg Varney**, served as a panelist in a joint PME roundtable session, "Joining Forces: Building Shared Faculty Development Opportunities between Institutions." Ms. Varney also collaborated with the Director of the Leadership Communication Skills Center at Marine Corps University to co-present a session exploring the lessons learned and questions raised in the transition from civilian to military writing centers.



Take the survey!



### TLC Programs



**TEC is offered in multiple modalities;** see which one is right for you. For more information visit our website.



TEC info!

- **4 Nov - Digital Badging and Gamification**
- **2 Dec - Simulations and Gamification**

To enroll in the Asynchronous TEC email [autlc@us.af.mil](mailto:autlc@us.af.mil) or call **(334) 953-5454**.



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

- **18 Nov - EDUCAUSE at Air University**
- **16 Dec - Creating Data Visualization Dashboards: Step 1 - Power Automate**

### TLC Services

**Our facilities are open for reservations.**

**Scan the code** for more information about our **Spaces** or call **953-5454** for current limitations/COVID restrictions.



Spaces Info

### Teaching Essentials Course

**Plan a Workshop.** In the past three months, the TEC team has conducted several workshops serving over 80 instructors from across Air University. Gamification and Teaching Strategies are the most popular requests. After receiving a request, the team sets up an initial meeting to gather specific information about the participants and their goals. Then, the team works with the coordinator to determine the theme, an appropriate length for the workshop along with a date and time. Depending on the focus, lesson plans and assignments are sent in advance to make discussions and examples more relevant and to ensure the activities are directly applicable. Customized workshops are created using lessons from the Teaching Essentials Course. Anyone interested should review the [Course Directive](#) for the Teaching Essentials Course for ideas to create your next faculty development workshop based on lessons that are offered.



**The TLC supports all schools and programs.**

Faculty development comes in many forms. It can be formal, such as attending a conference or presentation, or participating in a workshop or one of the TEC sessions; or it can be informal, such as contacting the TLC to request resources, asking specific questions about teaching, reading articles, or collaborating with fellow instructors. What type of faculty development experience are you looking for? Our outreach efforts help ensure instructors feel confident as they provide the best possible learning experience for their students. Our team looks forward to supporting your next faculty development experience.



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