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# SAC Faculty Fellow Newsletter

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*Colorful leaves and shorter days--fall is near!*

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# Greetings & Announcements!

## Hello Again!

I am so glad you stopped by the newsletter today. The semester is well underway and some of us may be gearing up to begin our Flex classes - I am waiting to see if a new cello student zings my way!

Now that we're moving forward with this semester I would like to point you in the direction of Reflective Teaching Practices. What comes to your mind when you reflect on your courses? I often wonder if I am working with my students in the way that honors the music they know and love. Sometimes my lack of "hip" gets in the way but I end of learning so much about the music scene from my students.

What are some of the things that you learn?

## SAC Faculty Fridays at the Teaching & Learning Center

Faculty Fridays at SAC are back! I hope you were able to make the Virtual Kick-Off last week. If not, no worries, the schedule will be available for you on the calendar at the [SAC TLC website](). Below is a sneak peak at what's in store for September 2021:

**Digital Badges for SAC Students**
Fri, Sept. 17, 2021, 2:03 PM - 2:57 PM

**Exploring the Human Body with Technology**
Fri, Sept. 24, 2021, 2:03 PM - 2:57 PM

## Rev Up Your Classroom with Professional Development

Every two weeks I will provide you with the latest professional development workshops. Come join us and learn something new to rev up your classroom! Registration for all training is available in AlamoTALENT—your one-stop shop for faculty development. All professional development workshops and classes are held online.

### Online Teaching Certification (Hybrid)

The Teaching and Learning Center offers Online Teaching Certification to all faculty (full-time and adjunct) at San Antonio College. The goal is to certify all faculty to teach online so that we can offer additional online sections.

As a result of the pandemic, more students across the nation are choosing to take online courses. In order to build capacity and serve the needs of all our students, San Antonio College wants to be prepared to offer courses in all modalities, face-to-face, online, and remote.

Please register in Alamo Talent.

Next Session(s):

- November 1 through November 21

# Professional Development

## Rev Up Your Classroom continued...

### Canvas Pick Your Tools

Wed, Sep 15, 2021, 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Pick your topics of focus, i.e. Quizzes, Grades, Assignments. Stay for an overview or ask a question as your schedule allows.

Register on AlamoTALENT.

### Engaging All Learners in Dual Modality Instruction

Thu, Sep 16, 2021, 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Learn how to engage your in person and online students when teaching in a dual modality classroom in this interactive session. Participants will explore practical applications for how to pedagogically approach dual modality teaching so no student is left behind.

### Trauma Informed Pedagogy

Fri, Sep 17, 2021, 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Trauma does not always show itself on the outside; trauma may be something we carry internally. In this session we will engage in rich discussion regarding trauma - how it affects our teaching, and how it may affect our students. Sharing ways that we have found works to build strength and trust, we will discuss how to bring students back to the classroom using high impact and performing arts based strategies for teaching and learning.

### Quality Matters | APPQMR

Fri, Sep 17, 2021, 8:00am - 5:00pm

Gain an understanding of the QM rubric and learn how its concepts can be applied to your own classes.

Register on AlamoTALENT.

### Zoom Training via Zoom

Wed, Sep 22, 2021, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Learn how to create a meeting for video and audio conferencing; start/manage/record meetings; prevent Zoom bombing; acquire/export rosters.
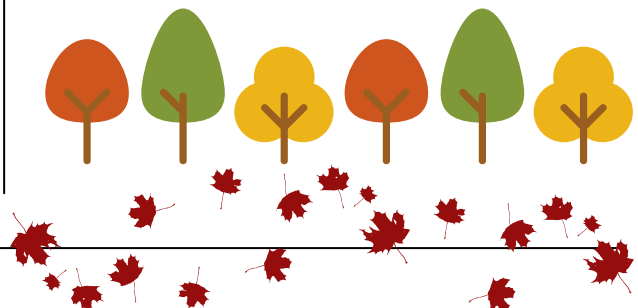
Register on AlamoTALENT.

### Mapping Global Learning Module 1

Fri, Sep 17, 2021, 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Course internationalization is the process by which global elements are added on or infused into the course content. Our goal is to provide our students with global learning opportunities at home through curriculum and co-curricular activities internationalization efforts.

Register on AlamoTALENT.

# Professional Development

## Rev Up Your Classroom continued...

### Accessible Course Design

Thu, Sep 23, 2021, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

What makes a course accessible? This workshop will introduce you to the basics of online course accessibility and Universal Design for Learning (UDL) principles.

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## Try this Canvas Hack

### Schedule Your Announcements in Canvas

Automate your class Announcements using the Delay Post option in Canvas:

1. In Announcements under Options
2. Click to select "Delay Post"
3. A "Post at" box will appear'
4. Click the calendar icon to select the date
5. Add in the time if you want a specific time for your Announcement to post

## The Screen and Keys
## Tech for Teaching & Learning

Here are offerings based in using technology to your advantage. If you want to become more proficient in using tech then keeping reading. Registration for all training is available in AlamoTALENT! All workshops are held online.

### Tech Tuesdays | Canvas Studio & Zoom
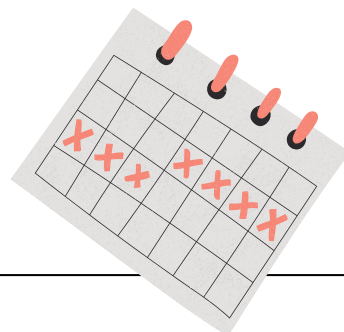
Tue, Sep 14, 2021, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Canvas Studio
Engage your students by creating interactive videos all within Canvas using Studio. Canvas Studio is a communication tool that allows instructors and students to actively collaborate through video and audio media. Create your own media or use videos from YouTube! Get ready to have fun in this interactive session.

Zoom Breakouts & New Features
Tue, Sep 28, 2021, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Ready to take your Zoom to the next level? Join us to learn about how to use breakout rooms and explore other new features in Zoom such as multiple whiteboards, advanced sharing, and more!

# More Professional Development

## The Screen and Keys Continued

### Office 365/One Drive

Tue, Sep 14, 2021, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Learn how to access Office 365 with everything Microsoft Office has to offer, including the favorites, such as Excel, PowerPoint, Word, and One Drive. Find out how to store and share work files safely with this powerful collaborating tool.

### Computer Literacy

Thu, Sep 16, 2021, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

This course focuses on the Microsoft Windows 10 operating system, introduction to computer terminology, network security, web browser settings and more. Join URL: Upload or record your own multimedia videos to stream directly to the classroom or canvas page. My Mediasite gives you the ability to capture video and screencasts directly from your desktop computer with or without the use of a web camera.

### UDOIT Workshop

Thu, Sep 16, 2021, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Need a one-stop accessibility tool? The Universal Design Online content Inspection Tool (UDOIT) allows you to run an accessibility audit on your Canvas course complete with an error report and suggestions on how to make your course more accessible

## We're Glad You're Here Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Wherever you might be in this journey, you'll find connection, shared values, and growth. Find ways to promote equity and inclusion through the courses and workshops listed here. Registration for all training is available in AlamoTALENT! All workshops are held online.

### Culturally Responsive Pedagogy

Thu, Sep 23, 2021, 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

This session will help you understand how to harness the power of your students unique identities to obtain better outcomes and engagement with your students. Participants will reflect on how their own life experiences and knowledge affect their teaching, how they can identify and connect to the experiences of their students, and what they can do to bring the two together.

## Connect and Breathe Faculty Wellness

Need to get back to center and just find a little space? Pull up the comfy chair and sit with us for a moment to learn how a little self-care goes a long way. This event is online. Register for these sessions in AlamoTALENT.

### Well-Being Wednesdays

Recur every Wednesday from 2:15 - 2:45 PM
See AlamoTALENT for Zoom information.

# Meet Your Faculty Fellow

My role at SAC is to provide professional development workshops, classes, and other learning and growth opportunities. Additionally, I will work to update this newsletter bi-monthly, and I plan and lead the SAC Professional Development book club. It is my intention to serve SAC faculty and meet your professional development needs to the best of my ability. Please know that my heart, mind, and door is open and do not hesitate to reach out as you are willing and able. I can be reached via email at: arocha17@alamo.edu or—by golly—just put yourself on my calendar using my online scheduler. The link is provided below:

Schedule a Chat with Me!

If you don't already know me, I am a teaching artist! My primary discipline is music, and my instrument is the cello. I've worked in faculty development since 2016 teaching prekindergarten educators how to incorporate performing arts techniques into the classroom. I am trained through the Wolf Trap Institute for Early Learning Through the Arts, and I have participated in the Artists as Educators Seminar, Mapping the Journey: Planning Effective Residencies for Students developed by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

I am also adjunct faculty at San Antonio College and teach cello, viola, and had the distinct pleasure of working with the SAC Chamber Ensemble before COVID required us to work online. I started my career with Alamo Colleges at St. Philip's assisting with INRW in the English department, and I have taught cello and music theory at Northwest Vista College.

So enough about me, I want to learn about you! Please stay in touch.

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