Spring is in the air, and there’s a lot happening at University Extension!

**Instructor Intro Videos**

Kudos to instructors Steve Fritzenkotter, Guoyuan Wu, Talisa Sullivan and Charlene Larson, who recently recorded their instructor intro videos.

We are asking instructors to create short introductory videos for their courses. These can be created by our video production team, or you can record them yourself using your phone, the Zoom recording feature, or other recording software. The questions to answer can be found [here](#).

Please contact Ann Kwinn if you would like us to record your video, or if you have questions about how to record your own. If you do not live in Southern California, we can guide you remotely.

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**The Art and Science of Healthy Pedagogy**

UCR Extension instructors can participate in a forward-thinking new training program offered by UCR Main Campus’ XCITE Center for Teaching and Learning. *The Art and Science of Healthy Pedagogy* will run every week on Wednesdays from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm, starting April 17 to May 29.

Topics include:

- Creating a positive climate
- Anti-racist teaching
- Culturally responsive teaching
- Trauma-aware teaching
Humanizing online learning
Universal design for learning and equitable educational technology.

Register [here](mailto:). Click the button titled, “Participate Informally.”

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**Dean’s Office Hours**

Dean Kevin Vaughn invites all students, instructors, and staff to stop by his office to visit and say hello during his Spring quarter office hours, from 3–4 pm every Thursday starting March 14 to June 6 at the EUV (Extension University Village), Room 2316. The address is: 1299 University Ave Suite 201, Riverside, CA 92507.

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**Get Your Spring Courses Ready**

As a reminder, please import and update or develop your courses for the spring quarter.

- If you have taught in Canvas before, you will import your prior Canvas course into the empty course shell for the new term and update any due dates or other out-of-date information.
- If you have not taught in Canvas, you will first need to import the course, **UCRX Template** (which is a Canvas course with a home page and module structure but no course content) before you add your own course content. Please keep the provided home page as your course’s home page.

Online instructors should take the course, *Teaching with Canvas at UCR Extension*, on their Canvas dashboard. Please contact us when your course is ready for the new quarter. This should be two weeks before the start of your course. Support questions can be directed to support@ucx.ucr.edu. Ann Kwinn is available to discuss your course design at akwinn@ucx.ucr.edu.

Here is a link to the Canvas Guide on Importing: [How Do I Copy Content from Another Canvas Course](https://guides.canvas.net/content/copy-anything-from-another-course).

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**Supporting Courses Offered in Foreign Languages**

In our last instructor newsletter, we released a [guide for changing the Canvas-provided text in your course](https://guides.canvas.net/content/noxfa). Now we have a guide for translating all the text on
UCR Extension’s Social Justice Committee Honored

The premier organization for those who work in the field of continuing education, UPCEA, has awarded UCR University Extension’s Social Justice Taskforce with the Leadership in Diversity and Inclusive Excellence Award. This award recognizes an individual or a program that engages in best practices in promoting diversity and inclusive excellence and demonstrates a positive impact on the organization.

Read more here.

UCR University Extension Pedagogy Reviews

As part of ensuring a quality academic experience for our students, we regularly review the programs we offer. This time around, the courses may have a pedagogy review. Some of you may have participated in pedagogy reviews with our instructor, Gabrielle Ladner-Mejia. We will let you know if your course will be part of one of these reviews.