

September 2020 Newsletter



OFFICE OF THE PROVOST &
DIVISION OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
Faculty Success



Message from Bertina Combes

We're off and running for the 2020-21 academic school year. I'm Bertina Combes, your Vice Provost for Faculty Success. I'm proud to say that I've devoted more than two decades here at UNT. Here at the Office of Faculty Success we're all ready for you, and are ready to support you – whether this is your first year at UNT or you've been here for years. Throughout the course of the year, you'll get regular emails from our office letting you know about our many upcoming events, training and workshops – most of which will be virtual – and you always can go to our [website](#) to check out what's going on. Don't hesitate to contact [me](#) or [Annie Garcia](#), in our office, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Bertina Combes
Vice Provost for Faculty Success



Staying in Touch with Faculty Success

Upcoming Events

Research Breaks - Conflict of Interest

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Resume Writing for Graduate Students

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IRB: Human Subjects Research Workshop for Graduate Students

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Academic Writing Style Workshop for Graduate Students

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Finding Opportunities for Graduate Students

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Women's Faculty Network Research Forum

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Research Breaks - Understanding Effort Reporting: Graduate Student Workshop

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Academic Writing for International Students

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Promotion & Tenure Workshop with the Provost

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Non-Tenure Promotion Workshop

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Growth Mindset Webinar by Debbie Rohwer

[Visit the OFS Website](#)

Equity, Inclusion, & Cultural Humility Learning and Development Framework

During the summer, our office met with various groups of students, staff, faculty, and administrators with the desire to create a learning development plan that focuses specifically on our needs surrounding diversity, equity, and inclusion. We are happy to have developed a collaborative plan for faculty and academic staff: Equity, Inclusion, & Cultural Humility Learning and Development Framework. The plan will serve as a foundation for facilitating an inclusive, affirming, and equitable environment for our Mean Green Family and the diverse communities we serve.

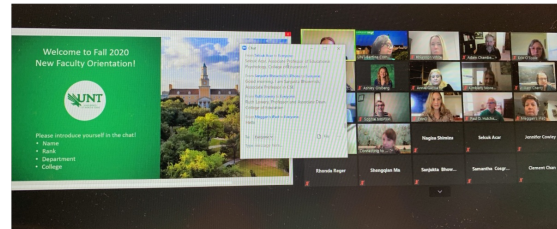
In the months ahead, we launch a series of activities that are developmental, comprehensive and fluid. We see these learning opportunities as an integral component of professional development for our UNT family. This semester, our multi-phasic learning development plan will be implemented and the process of learning and engaging and these discussions will continue in subsequent semesters. We are excited to engage in this process with you and we look forward to launching phase one of this framework in the weeks to come!

Catching up with Faculty Success

Virtual New Faculty Orientation

In the first virtual New Faculty Orientation on August 12th and 13th, more than 90 faculty participated lively conversations with their future colleagues and students. The two-day event featured presentations from President Neal Smatresk and Provost Jennifer Cowley along with other deans, associate deans and other academic leaders from the provost's office and around the university. Individual sessions addressed such issues as student success, creating an inclusive environment,

employing learning technologies and mentoring and affinity groups. During more informal breakout sessions, new faculty were able to meet grad students and deans in their schools and colleges. Thanks to the OFS team and many others around the university who helped in hosting the event.



Career Connect

Career Connect is a campus-wide initiative that supports students in collecting, connecting, reflecting, and showcasing their learning. Connect partners with UNT faculty to strengthen their implementation of high-impact practices (HIPs) such as service-learning, collaborative projects, ePortfolio, and many more! Additionally, Connect supports faculty in intentionally assessing the marketable skills students develop when engaged in HIPs within curriculum.

Connect is collaborating with the VPAA Office of Faculty Success to bring more resources to faculty that foster student success and support teaching.

September events are listed below. Stay tuned for more fall events! Visit our website [here](#).

Connect Conversations on High-Impact Practices, Sept. 18th, 12-1pm: What are high-impact practices and why do they matter? Join this informal, yet informative, conversation about HIPs to ask questions and learn about ways to implement HIPs in your pedagogical approach. Zoom link: <https://unt.zoom.us/j/91367938917>

Introducing the Comprehensive Learner Record at UNT, Sept. 29th from 1:30-2:30pm: Career Connect launched the UNT Comprehensive Learner Record this fall! The CLR is an innovative tool that provides visualization of student progress and competency development. Attend this webinar to learn more about the CLR at UNT and how you can get involved. To register, click the link: <https://unt.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYlf-GgrTMuE9zKfw7nmRnnPLCLUVgk111->

ePortfolio Zoom Room, every Monday this fall term from 4-5pm: Virtually join ePortfolio office hours to ask questions about the ePortfolio or share with your students as a resource to help them complete their ePortfolio projects this term. Zoom link: <https://unt.zoom.us/j/96797613807>

News from the UNT Libraries

Welcome Back from the UNT Libraries!

The UNT Libraries has a vast array of resources, services and expert personnel available to our faculty. Our Subject Librarians are excellent points of contact to help you with your library needs. Some of our services may be limited in the fall, so please check our Continuity of Library Services guide for the latest information.

UNT Special Collections has expanded remote access options to reduce the need for in-person research visits to our reading room. Access to rare books, archives and other special materials will be facilitated in a variety of new ways.

In Fall 2020 we will be offering the following remote access options (to learn more about these options, email specialcollections@unt.edu):

- Complimentary digitization of archival and rare book materials on demand as allowed under copyright law (see our fee schedule for more information)
- Digitization of audio and video materials on a cost recovery basis
- Up to 5 hours of complimentary proxy research by a staff member (research services beyond 5 hours are available for a fee of \$25/hour)
- Virtual research and reference sessions (staff member will use a camera to page through a portion of a collection or book during a video call)

- Access to over 350,000 digital items from 120 collections through [The Portal to Texas History](#).

- Virtual class visits and instruction sessions

If the above access methods will not be sufficient for your needs, please contact specialcollections@unt.edu to request an in-person research appointment in our reading room.

Chief's Corner



Starting Safely

With a new semester upon us I want to make sure that you are aware of how to contact us should the need arise. Our website, police.unt.edu, offers a variety of resources including safety classes, 60-day crime log, and online crime reporting. Our non-emergency phone number is 940-565-3000 and our emergency number is 911. In Denton County you can text 911. In the "to" field type 911 and in the "message" field include the address and type of emergency. You can report a crime anonymously through Denton County Crime Stoppers at (800) 388-TIPS. We welcome visitors to our lobby -- come see us to speak with an officer or drop off expired medication at 1700 Wilshire (across from Mozart Square). Our department is on duty 24 hours a day, every day of the year. Follow us on Facebook or Twitter: @UNTPolice. Thank you and have a great semester.

News From Faculty Senate



Welcome Back from Faculty Senate

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News from UNT- International Affairs

International Affairs welcomes you back to UNT!

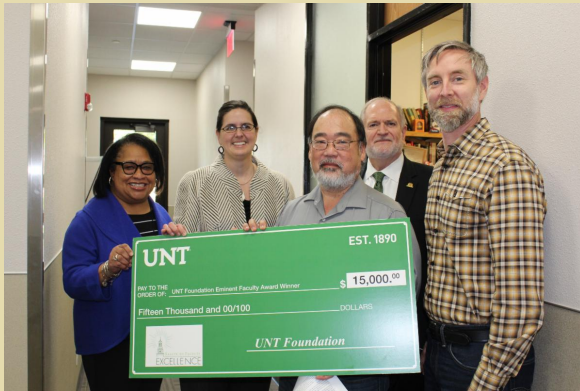
Our mission is to advance the university's internationalization efforts, including faculty global endeavors.

We look forward to collaborating with you. Please contact us if you would like to:

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| ·Lead a study abroad program
x2207 | Study Abroad |
| ·Invite an international visiting scholar to UNT
x2195 | International Student & Scholar Services |
| · Learn about Fulbright awards
x5292 | Global Partnerships & Engagement |
| · Develop an international partnership
x5292 | Global Partnerships & Engagement |
| · Host an international delegation at UNT
x5292 | Global Partnerships & Engagement |
| · Search for funding for international initiatives
x5292 | Global Partnerships & Engagement |
| · Know more about our co-curricular programming
x7795 | Communications & Programming |
| · Find information on immigration regulations
x2195 | International Student & Scholar Services |

Welcome back and best wishes for a wonderful academic year!

Stay in Touch with Faculty Success



Our office is responsible for and supports numerous programs to ensure that faculty at all levels are successful in their teaching, scholarly, and leadership endeavors.

We encourage you to explore the Faculty Success website for additional information on specific programming or contact our office directly to learn more about the numerous opportunities available to UNT faculty. We are here to foster your success.

[Visit our website](#)