Seeking Volunteer Instructors for Writing Study

Do you assign a meaningful writing project in a course that serves juniors and seniors? If so, then connect with Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) at the University of Arizona!

During the 2021-22 academic year, UArizona is participating in a wide-reaching assessment of student writing in partnership with Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University.

As part of a statewide working group, Aimee Mapes, Director of Writing Across the Curriculum, and Elaine Marchello, Director of Assessment in General Education, have designed a tri-university assessment of student writing.

If you are interested in participating in the Writing Study, then please contact Aimee Mapes, Director of Writing Across the Curriculum: acmapes@arizona.edu.

Upcoming Quick Start Live-Online Dates

Instructors can mark their calendars for the upcoming October offering of the Quick Start Live-Onsite! The dates for the upcoming Live-Onsite course are:

- Week 1: Oct. 18-22
- Week 2: Oct. 25-29
- Course Proposal Form due: Nov. 1

To register for this October offering or upcoming November and January offerings, please contact Katie Southard: ksouthard@arizona.edu.

Instructors interested in submitting a course proposal forms before the last submission date (Nov. 15) for consideration for Fall 2022. Live-Onsite participants will have until Jan. 17 for Fall 2022.

Courses submitting for 2023 will have more time.

Quick Start Workshops!

As mentioned in the article above, Quick Start is offered in two modalities: An asynchronous Self-Paced Quick Start and Quick Start Live-Onsite.

The Office of General Education is excited to announce the launch of a new workshop series for instructors taking the Self-Paced Quick Start!

Sessions will be offered on a recurring Monday/Wednesday schedule for three weeks in October. If you are interested in participating in the Self-Paced Quick Start (QS), QS Live-Onsite, or QS Workshops, then please contact Katie Southard, Director of Instructional Support: ksouthard@arizona.edu.

General Education Quick Start

Quick Start comes in two modalities: An asynchronous Self-Paced version and a synchronous Live-Onsite version.

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Crafting Effective and Aligned Course Objectives

Mondays 11:30AM-12:30PM (AZ time)

- October 11th
- October 18th
- October 25th

Helping Students Make Meaning through Signature Assignments

Wednesdays 11:30AM-12:30PM (AZ time)

- October 13th
- October 20th
- October 27th

If you have questions about ePortfolios, then please contact Emily Jo Schwaller, Instructional Technology Coordinator: emilyjoeschwaller@arizona.edu.

NEW ePortfolio Website!

We are excited to announce the launch of a new ePortfolio website! This website is a great location for resources and presentations about how to incorporate ePortfolios into coursework and student progress.

According to the UA Office of Instruction and Assessment (OIA), ePortfolios are a “way for students to gather, showcase, and reflect on their learning. As the newest AAC&U high-impact practice, ePortfolios have been identified as helpful for conducting assessment, facilitating reflection, and making connections across assignments and courses.”

Please visit the site by clicking on the headline to this article are by heading directly to: eportfolio.arizona.edu.

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