

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

## **Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning Advisory Committee** (Section VIII-D) **2019-2020 Annual Summary Report to Senate**

## **Summary of Meetings**

The FCTL Advisory Board met twice during the academic year 2019-2020. The first meeting was held on October 17, 2019 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. and the second on February 13, 2020 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. Both meetings were held in CB1-205. Jason Chestnut, UCF Connect, served as chair this year.

## **Summary of Issues or Topics Addressed**

The committee was informed about

- FCTL's role in the Course Redesign Initiative with CDL
- Success and continuation of Faculty Center's program, "Student Consultants on Teaching."
- Preparing Tomorrow's Faculty program being turned into a zero-credit course.
- FCTL's creation of a teaching credentialing program called Knighted Faculty Certificate.
- Strategies for Advisory Board involvement.
- Third annual conference co-hosted by UCF and USF: The Sunshine State Teaching and Learning Conference.

The committee reviewed and discussed Faculty Center regular programming:

- New Faculty Orientation: about 125 new faculty in attendance
- 2019 Winter Faculty Development Conference: themed Understanding Our Students
- 2020 Summer Faculty Development Conference: themed Back to Basics: Rethinking our Pedagogy in Times of Uncertainty
- Faculty Learning Communities, Writing Groups, Book Clubs, and Course Innovation Projects themed on improving strategies for teaching and learning, active learning spaces, appealing to the iGeneration, and fostering excellence and understanding in the classroom
- Adjunct Orientations and adjunct programming
- GTA Orientations and GTA programming
- Teaching and Learning Days on the topics of Best-Kept Secrets: UCF Resources That Support Active Learning Across Modalities, Interactive Lectures and Techniques for Large Classes, Case-Based and Problem-Based Learning, SoTL Day, Today's Students—How the iGeneration Learns: Digital Natives vs. Digital Immigrants, Student Mental Health Impact During the Covid-19 Crisis: What are you experiencing?, Academic Dishonesty in Online Environments, Motivating Students in Remote or Online Courses, Pan(dem)ic Modalities: Problem Solving for Fall 2020 Courses

The committee reviewed and discussed Faculty Center involvement with several initiatives:

- Course Redesign
- Adjunct
- Virtual Reality
- OEP
- Scholarship for Teaching and Learning

- Remote Teaching
- Student Accessibility Services
- UCF Syllabus Policy COVID-19 update
- J-1 Programming
- Knighted Faculty Credentialing Program

Committee members convened to select the University Excellence Awards for Teaching and for Undergraduate Advising. The committee reviewed Faculty Center efforts to solicit faculty input regarding instructional needs and to provide instructional support and faculty development.