

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning Advisory Committee (Section VIII-D) **2021-2022 Annual Summary Report to Senate**

Summary of Meetings

The FCTL Advisory Board met twice during the academic year 2021-2022. The first meeting was held on October 21, 2021, from 3:00-4:00 p.m. and the second on February 24, 2022 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. Both meetings were held remotely through Zoom. Martha Hubertz, UCF College of Sciences, served as chair this year.

Summary of Issues or Topics Addressed

The committee discussed

- Issues of mental health that affect teaching and learning
- Continuing struggles to balance flexible policies with student accountability
- Problems arising from increased needs for proctored exams
- Faculty perceptions of inadequate support during pandemic
- Need for more programming to address disengagement among faculty and students

The committee reviewed and discussed Faculty Center regular programming:

- New Faculty Orientation
- 2021 Winter Faculty Development Conference
- 2022 Summer Faculty Development Conference
- Faculty Learning Communities, Writing Groups, Book Clubs, and Course Innovation Projects themed on SoTL
- Adjunct Orientations and adjunct programming
- GTA Orientations and GTA programming
- Teaching and Learning Days on the topics of Interactive lectures, high-quality multiple-choice questions, research intensive courses, community engagement, career readiness skills, teaching online, and e-portfolios,

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

- Course Redesign
- Adjunct Faculty
- Scholarship for Teaching and Learning
- Remote Teaching

- Student Accessibility Services
- J-1 Programming
- Knighted Faculty Credentialing Program
- Student Perception of Instruction process

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.

There are ongoing conversations regarding ways to improve the FCTL Advisory Board and its ability to both offer advice to the Faculty Center and to better assist with committee tasks such as selecting the college-level excellence awards.