

November 2018

The Curry Staff Advisory Council is pleased to provide its first quarterly issue of the Curry Staff Newsletter. Our goal is to provide updates on topics that may be of interest to you as a Curry staff member.

Today's newsletter includes the following topics:

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UVA Staff Senate Update (Sept. & Oct. 2018)

Meeting agenda and minutes are [available online](#).

***If you have questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to your senators Joey Carls (jfc5f@virginia.edu) or Leslie Booren (booren@virginia.edu)

- The senate has sub-committees that have co-chairs and separate foci and initiatives around membership, partnership, and advocacy. These sub-committees are putting together agendas and goals for this year too.
- Regular professional development opportunities are shared and can be forwarded to those interested, including updates from UVA Talent Development and Organizational Excellence teams.
- Staff Senate members have met with President Ryan and he has indicated interest in regular meetings/updates.
- Updates were provided from the team handling the new Parental Leave policy, and university-wide communication on this should be coming out before the holidays.
- Updates were provided from the UFirst and Workday teams, and university-wide announcements are continuing to come till the launch on January 7th, 2019.
- Additional information can be found on the attached document.

Canvas Learning Management System and Staff Use

As of fall 2018, Canvas has replaced Collab as Curry's learning management system. Accounts were automatically created for faculty and students registered for courses. However, there is no mechanism in SIS that allows us to mass upload staff accounts to Canvas. All staff are welcome and encouraged to request a Canvas account. To request an account, please complete the [Canvas Account Request Form](#).

While academic courses are required to use Canvas, organizational spaces in Collab may remain in Collab OR move to Canvas. The Curry Online and Canvas Support team is available to help you migrate existing

materials from Collab to Canvas. We can also support the creation of a new collaboration space if one is needed. Please email curryonline@virginia.edu to begin this process.

Curious about Canvas and want to learn more or sign up for training? Visit <https://curry.virginia.edu/canvas>. Registration for spring training opportunities will open in December.

Sustainability at Curry

In order to promote stewardship of our resources, we are partnering with the UVA Office of Sustainability to support zero waste events/meetings at Curry. [This slideshow](#) provides information on how you can participate in a zero waste environment.

A composting bin is now available in the Curry loading dock (it is the yellow bin with the green top located outside). Signs that can be used for events/meetings and compostable trash bags can be obtained in the Curry Dean's office. For questions or more information, contact Diane Cole at dcole@virginia.edu.

Commonwealth of Virginia Campaign (CVC)

UVA employees can once again support their favorite charities by participating in the 2018 Commonwealth of Virginia Campaign. The campaign's theme, "Giving Hope," focuses on those who benefit from our generosity, and it runs from October 13th through December 12th. You may have received a red envelope in your box or at your desk in the last few weeks.

You may donate by completing and returning the red envelope to the Dean's office (Bavaro 132) or you may use your computing ID and password to donate online at www.virginia.edu/cvc. For questions or more information, contact Tom Rose at tdr3r@virginia.edu

New Staff & Transitions

We would like to welcome new members to our Curry staff community and congratulate those who have transitioned to new roles! Department and center administrators have shared with us the following updates since the start of the fall semester:

Dean's Office

- *Diane Cole* is now the manager of operations and major events.

Youth-Nex

- *Martha Pullen* is the new financial and administrative coordinator.

Ed Policy Works

- *Gaby Lohner* is a new research specialist intermediate for the Nudge⁴ Solutions Lab.
- *Anna Wang* is a new project coordinator for the Nudge⁴ Solutions Lab.

Center for the Advanced Study of Teaching & Learning (CASTL)

- *Rebecca McGregor* is a new Project Coordinator.
- *Cheryl Ayers* is a new Research Specialist Intermediate.
- *Allison Kallmann* is a new Research Specialist Intermediate.
- *Christle De Vera* is a new Research Specialist Intermediate.

- *Miriam Rushfin* is a new Early Childhood Education Project Associate.
- *Caitlin Frazier* is a new Early Childhood Education Project Associate.
- *Melissa Anne Williams* is a new Early Childhood Education Coach.
- *Amanda Doherty* is now CASTL Research Administrator.

Now is the time to... Prepare for the Workday transition!

At our fall all-staff meeting, Joey Carls and Stephanie Tam provided information on the new HR system being deployed, Workday. The Workday “go-live” date is January 7, 2019 and now this the time to begin preparing yourself for this transition. We encourage you to review the online training modules: [Workday Essentials](#) (all staff) and [Manager Essentials](#) (only for supervisory staff).

If you have questions, feel free to contact your Curry Workday Partners, Joey Carls (jcarls@virginia.edu) or Pritpal Kochar (psk8n@virginia.edu).

Upcoming Staff Social – December 5 @ 7:00pm

Each of us has a creative side and we hope you will bring out yours when joining your friends and colleagues at Muse Paintbar on December 5th. We have created a seating group called “Curry Staff” for this session. [Registration](#) is \$29 and includes one beverage. Use promo code “WINTER20” for 20% off if you book by 11/30. We hope many of you will come out!

Thank you for reading!

This newsletter is brought to you by your Curry Staff Advisory Council. We want to pass along our continued thanks for the work being done across the Curry School by staff. Feel free to contact any of us for questions or suggestions for our next newsletter.

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