

Fostering a Faculty Culture of Continuous Learning & Engagement

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BITMOJIS, GIFS, AND SNAPS IN THE CLASS? OH MY!

Trying new things and staying connected to students is of utmost importance for Deidre Price, PhD, director of Instructional Technology and Online Education at Northwest Florida State College. In order to keep her students engaged and incorporate a sense of humor into her classes, Price uses a combination of Bitmojis, Gifs, and other social media tools to provide her students with positive reinforcement. Learn more and continue reading [HERE](#).



HOW TO HAVE MORE PRODUCTIVE MEETINGS

One Productive Minute by Vital Smarts

The best teams don't have meetings they don't need to have. And yet, how many of us find our calendars full of meetings? In this week's episode, Justin shares the one thing you should do at the end of every meeting to ensure your time was spent productively and effectively. Click the video below to watch the 1 minute tip!



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TECHNOLOGY TIPS - Online Collaboration with PADLET

Are you interested in an easy to use collaborative tool that works seamlessly across all devices? Use [Padlet](#) for icebreakers, formative assessment, student feedback, brainstorming, exit tickets, mind maps, book discussions, and more. Students can type responses, upload files, links, pictures, videos, voice recordings, screenshares, drawings, maps and more. Click [HERE](#) for a live demo on ways to use Padlet. Click the + sign in the bottom right corner to contribute and explore Padlet. For more information about teaching strategies utilizing Padlet contact [Melanie Kinney](#) (Coordinator of Educational Technology Initiatives).

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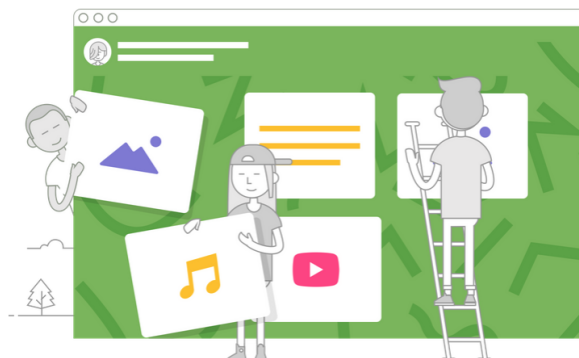
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As simple as 1, 2, 3, 4

OCTOBER LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

We are excited to offer some outstanding sessions during the month of October to refresh

and renew your teaching practices. To learn more or find additional information (including zoom links to each program), please click [HERE](#).

- **Organizational Culture SIG**, *Adrian James*,
Oct. 1st, Tues. (10:00-11:00am CST) - Meetin' House
- **Organizational Culture SIG**, *Adrian James*,
Oct. 2nd, Wed. (10:00-11:00am CST) - Zoom
- **Deconstructing Diversity - Innovation Exchange**, *Allison Rand*
Oct. 3, Thurs. (10:00-10:30 am) Norrington/Zoom
- **The Pedagogy of Community Engagement & Philanthropy Workshop**, *Don Wise, Laurie DiPadova-Stocks, Michael Call, Zac Jarrad*
Oct. 3. Thurs. (3:00-4:00pm CST) - AP 471/Zoom
- **Instructor Workshop Series**, *Erica Jansen*
Oct. 7. Mon. (7:30-8:30pm CST) - Zoom
- **There's an App for That! SIG**, *Eugene Matthews*
Oct. 8, Tues. (10:00-11:00pm) Norrington/Zoom
- **Facilitating a Community of Inquiry (COI) SIG**, *Josh Mugg*,
Oct. 24, Thurs. (2:00-3:00pm, CST)
- **Student Perspective Series**, *Indra Ganbat*
Oct. 29, Tues. (11:00-12:00pm) Norrington/Zoom

FALL 2 WORKSHOP: DESIGNING OUR VIRTUAL ACADEMIC CONFERENCE

Date: Monday, October 7th

Time: 1-2pm, CST and 7:30-8:30pm, CST

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://parkuniversity.zoom.us/j/262106203>

Come join us for our second instructor workshop to brainstorm topics and activities for our first-ever Virtual Academic Conference. As we build this conference, we want to know: what teaching topics, tools, and takeaways would impact YOU the most? How can this conference best fit YOUR needs, as an instructor at Park? Share your thoughts with us on Monday, October 7th, during our afternoon (1-2pm, CST) or evening session (7:30-8:30pm, CST).

The Virtual Academic Conference will be held on March 7th, 2020, and is open to all Park instructors. We're excited to announce our keynote speaker: Dr. Paul Handstedt, author of *Creating Wicked Students* and Director of the Center for Academic Resources and Pedagogical Excellence at Washington and Lee University. Our keynote speaker will be followed by two to three sessions that will allow us to hear from our fellow instructors and collaborate on new teaching practices together. We look forward to hopefully seeing you then!

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

Organizational Culture can make or break a workplace. Nobody wants to come to work in a toxic company culture, right? [#ParkU](#)'s Adrian James, Ph.D., teaches others how to make small changes that have big impacts on their work and personal lives in her workshops on campus as an Assistant Professor of Management. Check out Dr. James' faculty spotlight [HERE](#).



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