

Online Instructor Mentor Recognition for AY2021-2022

Thank You Online Faculty Mentors!

On behalf of Academic Affairs and the Faculty Center for Innovation, we wish to thank the **45** Park faculty who dedicated their time and talents to mentor new Park online instructors during the 2021-2022 academic year. To view the full list of these mentors [CLICK HERE](#).



Mentors of the Year

Please join us in congratulating Mohamed Abualhaija, Kathy Jackson, Carol MacArthur, Jeff Smith, Toni Bland, and Angela Wright for being honored as Mentors of the Year for AY 2021-22. These faculty have exceeded all expectations in their service to the Online Instructor Mentoring Program.



Mohamed Abualhaija

**Associate Professor of Accounting
Parkville campus in Parkville, MO**

Mohamed was one of many volunteer faculty mentors who joined the program in the Summer, 2020 term to help adjunct faculty when all the campus centers switched to remote learning during the pandemic. He is highly skilled at using McGraw Hill Connect, and was a huge help to EC141 adjunct faculty in Fall 2, 2021, when the course switched to Connect. He spent hours mentoring via Zoom the weekend before classes started to lend his expertise. EC141 is a high enrollment course, and his mentoring was crucial to faculty and student success.



Kathy Jackson

**Assistant Professor of Nursing
Parkville campus in Parkville, MO**

Kathy was quoted on the benefits of faculty mentoring in the *Handbook of Research on Inclusive Development for Remote Adjunct Faculty in Higher Education* (Dailey-Hebert et al., 2020), and she has mentored new full-time faculty since 2017 and most recently mentored in Fall 2, 2021. She earned her credentials in Effective Teaching Practices from the Association of College and University Educators (ACUE) and co-facilitated the Park cohort of Effective Online Teaching Practices during the 2020-2021 academic year.



Carol MacArthur

English Adjunct Faculty

Online Modality

Carol has been mentoring new faculty since 2018, and she mentors faculty from all disciplines. In Summer of 2020, she mentored two campus center faculty (LE and PS departments) who were teaching online for the first time. In Spring of 2021, she mentored a new LE faculty; and she mentored a new biology faculty in the Fall of 2021. Carol earned her credentials in Effective Online Teaching Practices from the American College and University Educators (ACUE) in 2021, and she enjoys sharing what she learned with those she mentors.



Jeff Smith

Computer Science Adjunct Faculty

Online Modality

Since 2018, Jeff has gone above and beyond in mentoring by helping with issues such as student illness and hospitalization, discussion engagement, non-participating students, acceptance of late work, setting up Canvas notifications, and assisting new instructors with obtaining their Cisco NetLab credentials. In the Summer, 2020 term, he volunteered to mentor a campus center IS faculty who was transitioning from the traditional classroom to emergency remote teaching, and he is currently mentoring a new CS faculty in Spring 2, 2022.



Toni Bland

**Criminal Justice Adjunct Faculty
Gilbert Campus in Gilbert, AZ**

Antoinette (Toni) Bland joined the Gilbert Campus adjunct faculty in the Fall of 2019, the first full academic year the campus was open. Since then, she has not only taught blended modality courses in criminal justice each year, but has volunteered to mentor new adjunct faculty every term at the Gilbert Campus. In addition to mentoring, Toni completed training as a Peer Review of Teaching Fellow plus created and delivered a workshop on how to provide more effective feedback on student assignments in the Fall of 2021 for Gilbert faculty.



Angela Wright

**Business Adj. Faculty, Lackland, Randolph,
Goodfellow, Laughlin, Holloman, & Online**

Angela began as a volunteer specialty mentor for blended courses in 2020 and mentored a new Gilbert faculty. She now mentors faculty at Lackland, Randolph, Goodfellow, Laughlin, and Holloman campus centers and online. Dedicated to improving her teaching, she completed Park's Writing Across the Curriculum Institute and earned her credentials in Effective Online Teaching Practices from the American College and University Educators (ACUE) in 2021, and recently completed the Advanced Writing Across the Curriculum course in 2022.

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