



# DFI Faculty Newsletter

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## Welcome to the DFI August Faculty Newsletter!

Our August newsletter focuses on Fall 2023 support for your Canvas courses.

We hope you have a wonderful month and thank you for reading!



## .....> What's New?

### Canvas Course Assistance for your Fall 2023 Courses:

#### Individual assistance from DFI:

- If you would like assistance setting up your Canvas course please [fill out our Canvas course support form](#) and one of our Instructional Support Associates (ISAs) will contact you to assist.
- **We can assist with:**
  - Importing content from last fall
  - Any questions you may have about setting up your Canvas course
  - [Utilizing one of the TC templates](#)

#### Do-it-yourself:

- This simple [10-step Canvas Quickstart guide](#) is a great resource for faculty who would like to set up Canvas courses on their own.

## Upcoming Faculty PD <.....



### Demystifying Artificial Intelligence (AI): An Introduction to AI in Education

August 17, 12:00 - 1:00 PM | Online via Zoom

This introductory webinar will provide a basic understanding of AI technology and its potential applications in education. We will explore the fundamental concepts of AI and provide an overview of the various AI tools and applications that can be used in teaching and learning. You will learn about the benefits and challenges of integrating AI into education and will be introduced to ethical considerations associated with the use of AI. By the end of the webinar, participants will have a basic understanding of AI and its potential for education.



[Register](#)



### Ready or Not, AI is Here: Preparing to Teach This Fall

August 23, 9:30am - 12:30 PM | In-Person: Smith Learning Theater Russell Hall 4th Floor

During this half-day, on-campus workshop, you will get hands-on experience using generative AI, draft AI expectations for your syllabus, re-imagine one of your assignments, and share experiences and ideas.

[Register](#)

### Inclusive Files: How to create accessible Microsoft Word Documents and PowerPoint presentations

August 24, 12:00 - 1:00 PM | Online via Zoom

Unlock the full potential of your documents and presentations by making them accessible to all! This hands-on workshop is designed to empower you with the knowledge and techniques to make your Microsoft Documents and PowerPoint presentations more accessible and user-friendly. In this workshop you will learn how to:

- Utilize Microsoft's built-in accessibility tool
- Follow best practices for structuring your files
- Add alternative text for images, charts, and other visual elements
- Create accessible lists and hyperlinks



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## .....> Technology Corner

### AI in the Classroom video interview series:



The Digital Futures Institute [interviewed Teachers College students and faculty](#) on how they have begun taking up AI tools in their courses, research and beyond. View the series and more resources on our [AI in Education Hub!](#)



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