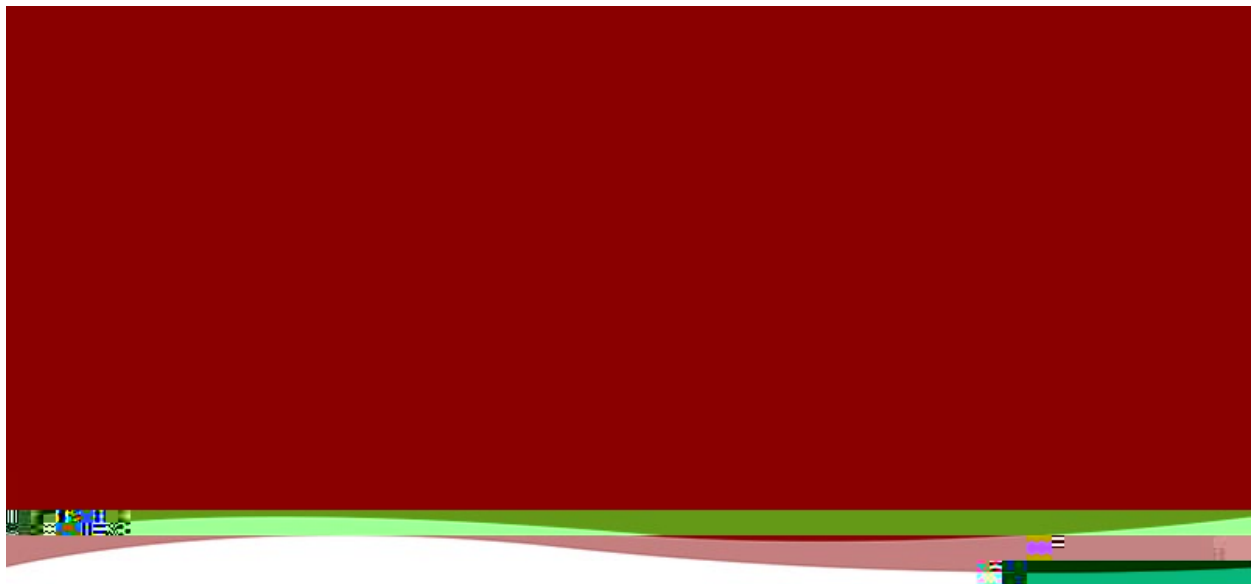


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Dear Colleagues,

Happy April! This month, we have much to celebrate as we make significant strides in two key areas: attracting our next incoming class for the fall semester and kicking off

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Maryland's Top 100 Women for 2024

prestigious Fulbright student award for the 2024-25 term. Congratulations and many thanks to Kristen Walton (History) and all the faculty and staff who mentor and support the amazing students served by [SU's Nationally Competitive Fellowships Office](#).

- Too many accomplishments to mention featured in SU's current *Re:Search* magazine. Check out the amazing work occurring in the realm of research and creative activity across campus, as well as the Q&A with Provost Couch which focuses on her area of research.
 - Last week, CHHS and Fulton hosted Director Usherla DeBerry and staff from the Governor's Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. They met with President Lepre, School Directors/Chairs from the School of Social Work and Department of Modern Languages, Deans from CHHS and Fulton, and representatives from the Disability Resource Center, the Office of Diversity and Inclusion, and the Office of Institutional Equity. The visit included lunch with deaf studies minor students, a campus tour, and meetings with Eastern Shore community representatives who provide services to the deaf community or teach deaf culture and/or ASL classes. The purpose was to learn more about SU's outstanding deaf studies minor and resources available for the deaf and hard of hearing on campus and in the community.
 - SU is headed for the stars with a new [Space Act Agreement signed between SU and NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center](#). This partnership promises enhanced experiential learning at NASA's Wallops Flight Facility in Wallops Island, VA, and aims to bolster NASA involvement on campus, potentially including guest speakers and participation in campus events like job and career fairs.
 - Thank you to the 280 faculty who participated in our mid-semester grading initiative. Students have been made aware that grades were posted, and multiple offices across campus are conducting outreach in order to support those students who are currently earning a D or an F.
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upcoming 2024-2025 academic year. Proposals can be for a cohort-based or topic-based FLC, and should be developed by the prospective FLC facilitator(s) with a budget not to exceed \$1,250. The proposal must be submitted by May 24, 2024. For more information on FLCs and the application process, please visit the [Faculty Learning Communities website](#).

- The Fulton School of Liberal Arts is currently accepting applications for Public Humanities grants for the fall 2024 semester. These grants provide funding for public humanities projects or events proposed by SU faculty, staff, students, as well as members of the surrounding community. This is a great opportunity to bring an educational program or cultural event to life and share it with the campus and local area. For more details and a list of previously funded events, please visit the Fulton Public Humanities website. The deadline is April 15, more information can be found [here](#); please contact [Jenna Habermeyer](#) with questions.
- Proposals for the Libraries' Course Enhancement Grants (\$750) for 2024-2025 are due April 30. These grants are available to all full-time faculty members for any course and are intended to support substantive collaborations with the [librarian liaison](#) for their unit. More details can be found [here](#).
- Apply now to be a part of the Fall cohort of ACUE's Effective Teaching Practices program. Looking for something less time-intensive to participate in? Consider the 4-module Fostering a Culture of Belonging micro-credential! The [application portal](#) is open for both training modules.
- With the Workday implementation on the horizon, please be aware of upcoming [payroll changes](#). To learn more about implementation, trainings, and other important information, please visit SU's Workday Project [website](#).

Upcoming Events and Training

- Don't miss Fulton's Spring Arts Festival this Friday, April 5th, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., at the Fulton Fountain and Lawn.
- Instructional Design & Delivery Updates and Opportunities
 - Dynamic Lecturing
 - Thursday, April 4th: 12 - 1 p.m. | online via Zoom (*registration required)
 - Using New Quizzes: Creating and Migrating Assessments in New Quizzes
 - Friday, April 12: 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. | online via Zoom (*registration required)
 - Friday, April 26: 2 - 3 p.m. | online via Zoom (*registration required)
 - Pedagogy Roundtable: Using AI to Support Teaching Activities in the Inclusive Classroom
 - Thursday, April 25: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. | in-person and online via Zoom

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- *Please see the [Faculty Development Calendar](#) for full details and to register for these virtual offerings.
- A new seminar series, Rediscovering Happiness Through the Disciplines, highlights faculty as they share expertise to support student wellbeing and resilience. Join this month's session on April 12, "Cultivating Joy in Learning" with Erin Stutelberg (Secondary and Physical Education). Co-sponsored by Fulton and SU's Counseling Center, the series will take place from 1-3 p.m. in the Commons, Worcester Room. While the content is aimed at students, SU employees are welcome.
- Update: Issues-Based Advocacy Training, offered through PACE, will now be condensed into a FREE one-day special event on Friday, April 12, from 4 - 8 p.m. in Guerrieri Academic Commons, Assembly Hall. Tickets can be found [here](#).
- Fulton Feature Fridays will once again showcase the talent of SU faculty and staff this spring. Visit the Brick Room Friday, April 12 to enjoy Danielle Cumming (Music) and John Wesley Wright (Music) present: "Spring, Spain, Spirituals!" More information can be found [here](#).
- There's still time for a Navigate training refresher. Attend the drop-in session on April 18 from 2 - 4 p.m. in TETC 110B.
- Save the date for the PACE Showcase, April 25 from 2 - 4 p.m. in the Guerrieri Academic Commons, Assembly Hall. This in-person event offers a chance for our community and campus to celebrate some of the many partnerships between Maryland's Eastern Shore and SU. Learn about ongoing partnerships, form new connections and meet the people doing excellent work in our area.
- The Disability Resource Center is excited to host their annual "April is for Access" outreach initiative. This campus-wide event promotes disability awareness, inclusion, and belonging for all. Throughout April, engage in workshops, games, and interactive sessions designed to help create a more accessible and welcoming communiM0l/.sd interac3 c -4.37sii4 re W



