To: CPP Faculty

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Subject: Faculty Day, New Spring Programming, MHFA Training, and More!

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Dear Colleagues,

CAFE is excited to announce that we have a date for Faculty Day at CPP! Please save the date on your calendars for Thursday, April 23, 2026, from 11:30 am – 1 pm at Centerpointe Dining Hall. This long-standing celebration of faculty CAFE's treat! All CPP faculty, full-time, part-time, and retired, are invited to enjoy lunch and time with colleagues for this in-person, social event. Come when you can and leave when you need to. Keep an eye out for an RSVP form.

All the best,

Marisela

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Teaching and Learning

- CAFE's Teaching and Technology in Practice Series

Sessions will take place on Zoom on Tuesdays, 12 – 1 pm, from February through April. Descriptions for each session can be found on [CAFE's Upcoming Programs & Events Page](#).

- [Giving Effective Feedback on Assignments, February 24, 12 – 1 pm](#)
- [Building Your Faculty Website with Cascade, March 10, 12 – 1 pm](#)
- [Quick and Efficient Ways to Make Videos for Your Classes, March 24, 12 – 1 pm](#)
- [Active Learning for Engaged Classrooms, April 14, 12 – 1 pm](#)

- CAFE's Canvas in Practice Series

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- [Communications (i.e., announcements and messaging), February 17, 12 – 1 pm](#)

- [Transparent Assignments & Assignment Collection, March 3, 12 – 1 pm](#)

- [Assignment Grading & Feedback (Speedgrader), March 17, 12 – 1 pm](#)

- [Online Testing (Quizzes), April 7, 12 – 1 pm](#)

- [Calculating Final Grades, April 28, 12 – 1 pm](#)

Canvas News

- General Info:

  o CAFE hours: Monday–Friday, 8 am–5 pm

  o Studio 6 phone: 909-869-3099

  o Canvas help: Email canvas@cpp.edu, call the number above, or submit a [Canvas Request Form](#)

  o For consultations on accessibility, instructional design, multimedia development, or learning technologies, visit [CAFE's Request Services Page](#)

  o Please note that CAFE and Studio 6 utilize IT's ticketing system. All responses to emails sent to canvas@cpp.edu or studio6@cpp.edu, as well as any requests submitted using the forms linked above, will be sent from the CPP Service Desk

Faculty Career Growth

- Register for Mental Health First Aid Training (offered by the Chancellor's Office)

  Join over 1,400 CSU faculty who have become certified in Mental Health First Aid to be prepared to support wellbeing for students and everyone in our communities. This training, offered by the CSU Innovative Teaching and Learning Programs especially for faculty and facilitated by CSU faculty who are certified Mental Health First Aid instructors, teaches participants to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental health challenges and substance use disorders. This spring's sessions will be facilitated by Dr. Sailesh Maharjan (San Bernardino).

  Registration for two Spring 2026 Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) Training cohorts is now open. It will remain open until sessions reach capacity and wait lists are full.

  The National Council for Mental Wellbeing has developed Mental Health First Aid certification training (MHFA 2.0), which teaches how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental illnesses and substance use disorders.

  This certification training, valued at $175 per participant, is free to CSU faculty willing to complete the training to become certified. The National Council for Mental Wellbeing limits capacity for each session to allow the instructor to interact with all participants.

Cohort 1

Friday, February 20 (9:00am – 12:00pm)

Friday, February 27 (9:00am – 12:00pm)

Cohort 2

Thursday, March 5 (9:00am – 12:00pm)

Thursday, March 12 (9:00am – 12:00pm)

Register as soon as you can confirm availability, as sessions fill quickly. Registration for two more   sessions in Spring 2026 will open in March.

Friends of CAFE

- Invitation to Participate – Ithaka S+R and CPP Research Project

The University Library and CAFE have partnered up with Ithaka S+R on a research project as part of a national initiative with other colleges that will examine AI literacy in higher education. The research team will be conducting interviews with CPP faculty to better understand how AI tools are being used for teaching, learning, and research.

We invite you to participate in an interview via Zoom or in person. Your insights will help inform how the CPP community engages with emerging technologies in academic settings.

Participation is voluntary and confidential. The study has been approved by the CPP IRB (IRB-25-195), and participants will receive $10 in Bronco Bucks as a token of appreciation.

If you're interested, please complete the Defining AI Literacy Interest Form.

- Bronco Career Works

The Cal Poly Pomona Career Center is excited to introduce Bronco CareerWorks, a new on - campus offering created in partnership with Ultimate Staffing to bring more paid, career - aligned opportunities to both students and alumni. Through Bronco CareerWorks, students can explore internships, short-term, and full-time positions in their field of study. The program builds on classroom learning by giving students real-world experience that helps them become by doing.

- Points of Pride Website for Sharing CPP's Story

Communications has a new way to help you showcase our Bronco community. The Points of Pride (POP) website offers a curated collection of images, rankings, success stories and more. Use this content on your website, flyers, social media or anywhere you want to broadcast our university's excellence.