October 2024 Professional Development Calendar				
DATE	**TIME**	**VENUE**	**EVENT**	**PD HOURS**
ON-DEMAND	SELF-PACED	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**The Chronicle of Higher Ed – Virtual Learning Series**. Browse recent and coming topics and join a discussion with national experts and leading practitioners. Timely and relevant live and virtual events regarding leadership, teaching and learning, finance and operations, and diversity/equity/ inclusion. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR SESSIONS
ON-DEMAND	SELF-PACED	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**NISOD On-Demand –** NISOD provides budget-friendly, high-quality, and faculty-focused programs and resources for community and technical colleges. For over 40 years, NISOD's customer-focused approach has helped align our wide array of benefits with the needs of our members. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR SESSIONS
ON-DEMAND	SELF-PACED	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**IS-100.C: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS 100** – Introduction to the Incident Command System, introduces the Incident Command System (ICS) and provides the foundation for higher level ICS training. This course describes the history, features and principles, and organizational structure of the Incident Command System. It also explains the relationship between ICS and the National Incident Management System (NIMS). Learn more and start the course here.	2 HOURS

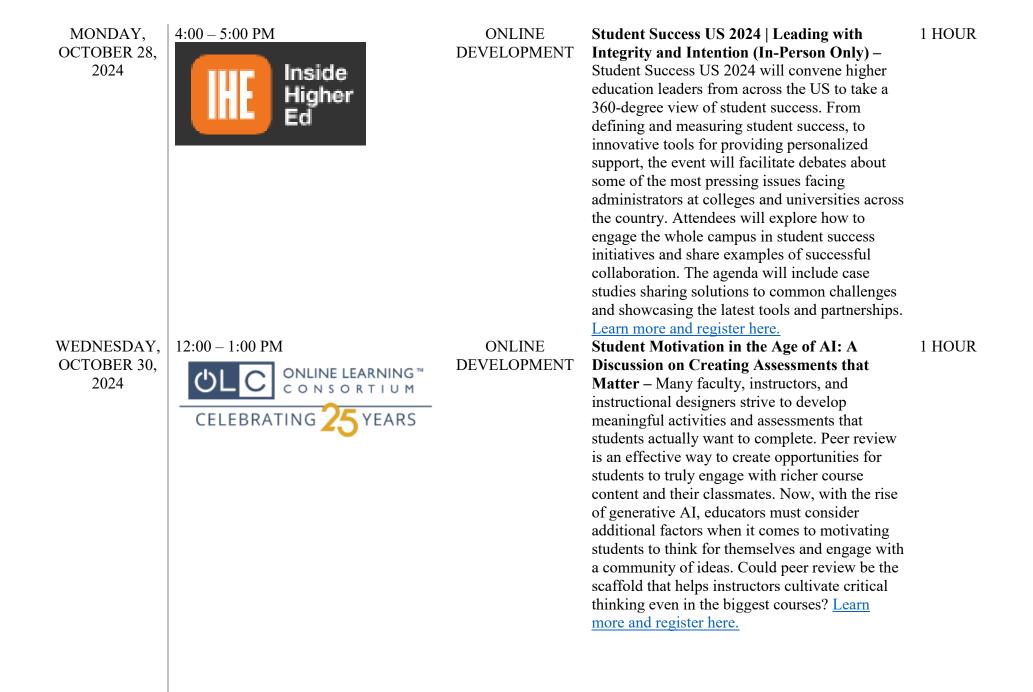|				
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2024	1:00 – 2:00 PM ![HCI Human Capital Institute logo]	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Crossroads or Crosshairs? Navigating Workforce Evolution with AI** – Workforce evolution has never been more critical or more daunting. HR and talent professionals face unprecedented challenges as technological advancements, an enigmatic labor market, and unique economic conditions converge. Among these, the impact of AI stands out as a game-changer. As the landscape rapidly evolves, forward-thinking HR leaders must navigate the intersection of AI-driven insights, talent management strategies, and workforce agility. This webinar will unpack the latest trends reshaping HR, including the rising impact of AI and the urgent need for upskilling and reskilling employees. We'll explore how organizations can harness AI to stay ahead of the curve, ensuring their workforce remains competitive and agile. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024	1:00 – 2:00 PM ![NISOD National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development logo]	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Beyond Laziness: Uncovering Hidden Barriers to College Success** – As faculty, we have all struggled to understand why students miss assignments, don't come to class, procrastinate when taking exams, etc. A frequent default explanation may be that students are lazy or apathetic. Instead, what if we responded to these ineffective behaviors with curiosity and developed a different perspective? What if we tried to identify potential barriers that might be precipitating these actions and devise targeted interventions to mitigate their effects? Come hear strategies to find, understand, and alleviate potential hidden barriers to student success in higher education. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024	1:00 – 2:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**In the Beginning: A Primer on How LERs and CLRs Capture Student Learning –** Join the opening session of this dynamic design webinar series and get the critical insights you need to confidently navigate the adoption and implementation of Learning and Employment Records (LERs) and Comprehensive Learner Records (CLRs). This no-holds-barred panel discussion will provide a diverse range of perspectives on the opportunities and challenges associated with LER and CLR adoption. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024	2:00 – 2:30	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Innovations in Online Proctoring: New Features for Respondus Monitor –** Respondus is at the forefront of online proctoring innovation, with new features being released each quarter. Don't miss this webinar where you'll see the latest enhancements for Respondus Monitor and LockDown Browser – and learn why 1,500 universities rely on them for online exam integrity. Register here.	1 HOUR
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2024	12:00 – 1:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Leveraging Generative AI to Improve Team Well-being and Performance –** Poor well-being is having a material impact on your team's performance. Up until now, it's been difficult to address this issue because of a lack of resources. Generative AI has the ability to change this. Join the October Health team to unpack the true cost of mental health to your teams and business. Importantly, learn about the latest technologies which are proving effective in driving positive change for your team's well-being and organizational performance. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2024	1:00 – 1:45 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Respondus 4 and the Test Bank Network: Quickly Create Online Exams –** Respondus 4 is a powerful tool for creating and managing exams that can be published directly to Blackboard Learn, Brightspace, Canvas, Moodle, and other learning systems. Exams can be created offline using a familiar Windows environment, or moved from one LMS to another. Whether you are a veteran of online testing or relatively new to it, Respondus 4 will save you hours on each project. The Respondus Test Bank Network enables instructors to create online tests – in just minutes – from official publisher test banks. The Respondus Test Bank Network is FREE to instructors who use Respondus 4 and adopt a participating textbook. It integrates seamlessly with Blackboard Learn, Brightspace (D2L), Canvas, Moodle, and other learning systems. [Learn more and register here.](#)	1 HOUR
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2024	1:00 – 2:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**"Pick Us": Enrollment and Recruitment Strategies to Set Your Institution Apart** – Undergraduate enrollment has experienced two consecutive semesters of growth as of Spring 2024. Does this mean colleges can relax? Simply put: No. Between demographic shifts, concerns over the value of a degree, financial stress, and uncertain future career opportunities, colleges can't afford to ignore their enrollment strategies. [Learn more and register here.](#)	1 HOUR
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024	1:00 – 2:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Pearson MyLab + Respondus Monitor: Prevent Cheating During Online Tests –** The testing tools in Pearson MyLab offer seamless integration with the Respondus Monitor proctoring system, providing a powerful solution to exam integrity. Join us for a free, 45-minute webinar to learn about this integration. This session will be recorded and shared afterwards with anyone who registers. [Learn more or register.](#)	1 HOUR

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024	1:00 – 2:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**The Year Ahead: Enrollment Issues and Solutions –** Every fall, colleges are faced with the buzz of incoming students. While exciting and busy, it's also a period of evaluation and reflection, as administrators examine their enrollment successes and failures — of which there are likely many. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024	9:00 – 10:00 AM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Tech Talk for October - New and Next: Fall Updates Overview for Canvas, Turnitin and Yuja** – Join this session for a sneak peek of recent product updates, resources to maximize new features, and to see what's coming soon. Mark your calendars and watch your email for the meeting link.	1 HOUR
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024	12:00 – 1:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Leading Academic Change: A Panel Discussion** – Please join us for an engaging panel discussion of research recently published in "Leading Academic Change," a report co-sponsored by the Online Learning Consortium that addresses several key questions in higher education. The lead investigator and author of the publication, Anne K. Keehn, will first provide a brief overview of the most significant findings, and then expert panelists will consider the implications of this research, engaging with such topics as academic innovation, faculty development, industry partnerships, generative AI, COVID, and much more! Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2024	4:00 – 5:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Student Success US 2024 | Leading with Integrity and Intention (In-Person Only) –** Student Success US 2024 will convene higher education leaders from across the US to take a 360-degree view of student success. From defining and measuring student success, to innovative tools for providing personalized support, the event will facilitate debates about some of the most pressing issues facing administrators at colleges and universities across the country. Attendees will explore how to engage the whole campus in student success initiatives and share examples of successful collaboration. The agenda will include case studies sharing solutions to common challenges and showcasing the latest tools and partnerships. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2024	12:00 – 1:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Student Motivation in the Age of AI: A Discussion on Creating Assessments that Matter –** Many faculty, instructors, and instructional designers strive to develop meaningful activities and assessments that students actually want to complete. Peer review is an effective way to create opportunities for students to truly engage with richer course content and their classmates. Now, with the rise of generative AI, educators must consider additional factors when it comes to motivating students to think for themselves and engage with a community of ideas. Could peer review be the scaffold that helps instructors cultivate critical thinking even in the biggest courses? Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR

SELF PACED		ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Empowering Educators: Nurturing Self-Care in Higher Education –** This program focuses on the importance of self-care as a critical component for sustaining effective teaching and leadership. Participants will explore practical strategies to manage stress, maintain work-life balance, and cultivate resilience in a demanding academic environment. Educators will learn to prioritize their well-being, fostering a positive impact on their personal and professional lives, and ultimately enhancing student outcomes. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR
MULTIPLE DATES AND TIMES AVAILABLE		ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**LockDown Browser and Respondus Monitor: Protect the Integrity of Online Tests –** This comprehensive training webinar is intended for instructors who plan to use LockDown Browser and/or Respondus Monitor with online exams. The session provides a detailed demonstration of both applications, including enhancements that make Respondus Monitor even more effective and easy to use. Tuesday, October 1 from 1:00 – 2:00 PM Wednesday, October 9 from 12:00 – 1:00 PM Thursday, October 17 from 2:00 – 3:00 PM Thursday, October 24 from 12:00 – 1:00 PM	1 HOUR

			Ongoing Volunteering Opportunities		
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ONGOING	**Mobile Pantry Schedule**	1230 Midwestern Parkway Wichita Falls, TX 76302	**Wichita Falls Area Food Bank –** Since 1982, the Wichita Falls Area Food Bank has distributed food free of charge to the clients of charitable partner agencies and programs operating in 12 North Texas counties. The success of their mission depends upon the active compassion and participation of their supporters! Teams/departments are encouraged to volunteer together. To receive more information and volunteer, please complete the volunteer application.	3 HOURS
ONGOING	Volunteer Schedule	1300 Travis St, Wichita Falls, TX 76301	**Faith Mission of Wichita Falls –** The mission of Faith Mission is to "Provide Christ-centered programs and services that lead the homeless towards self-sufficiency." Faith Mission serves the homeless through two shelters, Faith Mission and Faith Refuge. All services are made possible through the generosity of individuals, churches, businesses, and foundations. Faith Resale & Donation Center also returns profits to help with operating expenses of both shelters. See the volunteer need here. Register yourself here. Register your departmental team here.	3 HOURS
ONGOING	10:30 AM – 12:30 PM Monday through Friday	1008 Burnett Street Wichita Falls, TX 76301	**Meals on Wheels –** Wichita Falls. The Kitchen serves over 850 seniors, homebound and disabled individuals each weekday Monday through Friday through their Meals on Wheels program. To continue this critical mission, Meals on Wheels of Wichita Falls needs volunteers to deliver meals. Loading and delivery take place between 10:30AM -12:30PM, and ideally, delivery is completed no later than 1:30PM. If you and/or your team/department would like to participate, please contact volunteer coordinator at 940.322.62320 or complete the volunteer application here.	3 HOURS