September 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, SEPTEMBER 4, 2024	1:00 – 1:45 PM	ONLINE DEVEOLPMENT	**Instructor Training for LockDown Browser & Respondus Monitor: Prevent Cheating During Online Exams –** This comprehensive training webinar is intended for instructors who plan to use LockDown Browser and/or Respondus Monitor. LockDown Browser is a custom browser that prevents digital cheating during an online exam. Respondus Monitor is a companion product for LockDown Browser that deters cheating when students take online exams in non- proctored environments. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2024	12:00 – 1:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Free Webinar: Engaging Students in a Distracted Digital Age –** Are you struggling to capture your students' attention in today's distraction-filled digital landscape? Discover how to create a more engaging educational experience and move beyond traditional communication methods like email. Don't miss this opportunity to revolutionize your teaching approach! Learn more and register here.	
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2024	1:00 – 2:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**How AI Voice Changed Learning and Development –** It's been four years since AI voices reached human parody. This webinar will help your team evaluate AI Voice technology solutions like text-to-speech, voice cloning, and speech-to-speech. Take your skills from novice to ninja through an informative and fast-paced session that will give you the foundation to elevate your production skills with this wonderful new technology. Learn more and register here.	
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2024	2:00 – 2:45 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Instructor Training for LockDown Browser & Respondus Monitor: Prevent Cheating During Online Exams –** This comprehensive training webinar is intended for instructors who plan to use LockDown Browser and/or Respondus Monitor. LockDown Browser is a custom browser that prevents digital cheating during an online exam. Respondus Monitor is a companion product for LockDown Browser that deters cheating when students take online exams in non- proctored environments. All attendees will receive a link to a recording after the session. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2024	12:00 – 12:45	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Building More Inclusive Systems for Who Counts: Part 1 –** This four-part webinar series features articles from the Summer 2024 Special Issue of AIR Professional File. In Part 1, authors of two papers provide overviews of their papers and engage in dialogue with each other, the editor, and the audience. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2024	1:00 – 2:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Equity and Human-Centered Design for Single-Mother Learner Engagement** – Approximately 1.7 million undergraduate and roughly 30% of community college students, are single-mother learners. Yet, they are rarely the focus of campus programming. While more campuses are turning their focus on supporting single mothers toward completion. This session discusses how campuses can apply human-centered design to develop learner-centric programs and partnerships that address the specific needs and motivations of single mothers and other student parents. Drawing from the experience of the Single Moms Success Design Challenge, this session shares new models that seek to dramatically boost education outcomes for single-mother learners and connect them to academic and career pathways to improve their families' economic mobility and well-being. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2024	1:00 – 2:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**How to Transform Your Math Class into a Thinking Classroom Experience** – Transform the math classroom into a "thinking classroom" and discover a new avenue for critical thinking and collaborative learning for all students. Don't miss an opportunity to explore how technology can empower you and other math educators to realize the objective of a "thinking classroom" at the institutional level. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2024	8:30 – 9:30AM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Turnitin** – TechTalk Friday for September will be on September 13th at 8:30am from Turnitin. Our upgrade to Turnitin Similarity means we have many more features, including AI Detection. If you want to attend, please use this registration link.	1 HOUR
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2024	1:00 – 2:00 PM		**Shaping the Future of Course Improvement: Your Insights on OLC's New Scorecard –** Are you passionate about enhancing the quality of online education? Do you want to have a direct impact on the tools that shape the future of course design and review? Join us for an exciting and interactive webinar where your voice will help shape the Online Learning Consortium's (OLC) new Course Review Scorecard! Learn more or register.	1 HOUR
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2024	1:00 – 2:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Reducing Points of Friction With AI: Making Institutional Processes More Accessible, Equitable and Efficient –** Much of the discourse on AI in higher education has focused on classroom applications for teaching and learning. Inside Higher Ed's newly-published deep dive report examines opportunities that lie between these complex pedagogical and more basic AI use cases to streamline processes in ways that have a direct and meaningful impact on students. Join IHE's for a live webcast that builds on the insights from the deep dive report. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2024	10:00 – 11:00 AM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT/ VER-423/CCC-717	**QPR Faculty/Staff Training** – "The QPR mission is to reduce suicidal behaviors and save lives by providing innovative, practical and proven suicide prevention training. The signs of crisis are all around us. We believe that quality education empowers all people, regardless of their background, to make a positive difference in the life of someone they know." You have the option to attend through a big screen with others in one of these rooms, or from your own computer virtually. For more information click here. To register click here.	1 HOUR

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEBER 25, 2024	11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Delving into Cultural Diversity** – As learners grow in their understanding of cultural diversity, they move from being able to describe the experiences of others historically or in contemporary contexts primarily through one cultural perspective to being able to adapt and apply a deep understanding of multiple worldviews, experiences, and power structures while initiating meaningful interactions with other cultures. In this session, we will engage participants in a case study simulation and learn about assessment tools used to evaluate cultural diversity. Learn more and register here.	1.5 HOURS
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2024	12:00 – 12:45 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**Building More Inclusive Systems for Who Counts: Part 2** – This webinar series features articles from the Summer 2024 Special Issue of AIR Professional File. While institutional research is a mainstay for providing replicable and standardized data about university populations. Data collection and reporting systems need better ways to identify who comprises our communities, with attention to upholding the autonomy, confidentiality, and privacy. Institutional data collection and reporting systems need better ways to identify who comprises our communities with attention to upholding the autonomy, confidentiality, and privacy. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2024	1:00 – 2:00 PM	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	**ChatGPT Is Coming for Us All! (or Not?): The Ethics and Effective Use of Artificial Intelligence in Education** – With the rapid evolution of artificial intelligence (AI) writing programs educators, students, and administrators face both opportunities and challenges. This presentation will offer a comprehensive look into the capabilities of AI writing tools, their projected trajectory in education, and recommendations for drafting rules and policies to regulate their use effectively. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR

			Ongoing Volunteering Opportunities		
DATE	**TIME**	**VENUE**	**EVENT**		**PD HOURS**
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