Online Learning Faculty Senate Committee, 2021-2022 Annual Report

Senate Committee Name: Online Learning
Senate Committee Chair Name: Samantha Harlow
Unit: Arts & Sciences, Nursing, Business and Economics, Bryan School, Education, Health and Human Sciences, Nursing, IT Services, Library, Academic ITCs, UNCG Online, UTLC.
Academic Year Report Covers: 2021-2022

Date Annual Report Prepared: May 4th 2022

List the dates your committee met:
August 25th, 2021
September 22nd, 2021
October 20th, 2021
November 17th, 2021
January 19th, 2022
February 16th, 2022
March 16th, 2022
April 12th, 2022

Chair was invited and attended Online Directors meetings once a month, organized by Kathryn Aldridge, Senator. Also serves as a committee member of UNCG Procedures for Professional Development and Support for Online Instructors. The chair of this committee also served as a faculty senate online learning representative when meeting with the consultant about online learning at UNCG, Jeff Holm.

List and describe briefly your major accomplishments for the year:

- Put out a call for applications for Online Teaching Fellows. The planning of this resolution took up most of Fall 2021: writing a call for proposals, marketing the fellowship, and creating a rubric of evaluation for the candidates. Due to a lack of participation, we did not continue with this resolution. The UNCG University and Teaching Learning Commons (UTLC) took over this resolution and piloted this fellowship with one professor: Elizabeth Tomlin from UNCG Biology.
- Received announcements from UNCG Online Melanie Eley on Accessibility 101 course, including conversation about marketing and audience for this online, asynchronous course. Eley later communicated with the committee about an Accessibility Fellowship opportunity for experienced faculty on accessibility topics.
- Received announcement from UNCG Online’s Kisha Carmichael about proctoring changes at UNCG.
- Received some information about the First Day Complete program. Will continue to hopefully be updated on this new textbook program.
- Spring 2022 this committee helped organize two virtual programming presentations about online learning at UNCG. The first was a hybrid learning technologies webinar by Amy Brown and Evan Kelly. The second was a panel of expert online instructors at
UNCG: Kathryn Aldridge, Pam Brown, Wade Maki, Heather Moorefield-Land, Rob Owens, and Anita Warfford. Both of these events were virtual and the recordings are available through ADAPT and UNCG webinars.

- Received updates and assisted with ADAPT 2022 professional development. See the pre-conference panel organization, mentioned above.
- Received updates from Dave Teachout about the UTLC and UNCG Online merger.
- Received information from Julie Mendez-Smith about iBelong survey to online students and what they found. PowerPoint and information shared out with committee members.

List any action items for future consideration if applicable:
- Next year, this committee will continue with the trend of informational meetings about UNCG online programs and advocacy, with guest speakers from across UNCG. Some topics we will be meeting on and seeking speakers about: Project Kittyhawk, First Day Complete, proctoring updates, QEP and online learning, advisors and online students, UNCG Online and UTLC merger (how it’s going), and more.

Discuss strengths and opportunities for improvement:
- Communicate with technology and online learning focused committees and programs around campus.
- Communicate with and learn from other online learning programs and areas around UNCG.