



DEITC Meeting Minutes



Date: 10/23/23

Location: KL420

Co-chairs:

1. Dr. Hayley Kazen (Faculty Senate Appointee)

Members Present:

1. Dr. Cynthia Sosa
2. Dr. Lourdes Viloría
3. Dr. Juan Hinojosa
4. Dr. Yong Chen
5. Dr. Donovan Weight
6. Dr. Martha Salinas
7. Janet Carrillo
8. Dr. Lola Norris
9. Dr. Joan Wakasa Murumba
10. Dr. Sean Maddan
11. Sophia Gutierrez (for Triana Gonzalez)
12. Karol Batey
13. Abigail Olivares

Time: 3:02pm

Administrative Associate

Stephanie Alderete

Instructional Designers (non-voting)

1. Carlos Vallarta
2. Ivette Soto
3. Julio Tovar
4. Gloria Sanchez
5. Melissa Soulas

Members Absent:

1. Dr. Patricia Abrego, ex-officio
2. **Associate VP/CIO**
Mike Munoa
3. Triana Gonzalez

Item	Action/Information
Approval of Minutes	❖ Committee members reviewed minutes from September 25, 2023, Dr. Martha Salinas and Dr. Sean Maddan motioned to approve minutes with modifications.
Update Proposed Stipend Compensation for Faculty	<p>❖ Dr. Kazen reported on the status of DEITC’s three-tiered stipend compensation proposal to increase the stipend for development of QM courses. The DEITC proposed the following stipend adjustment for faculty engaging in course material development:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">“In response to the immediate changes that will affect the course development process, the committee put forth a motion to recommend an adjustment to the current stipend of \$1,500. This motion proposed a three-tiered stipend structure: \$4,000 for developing new course materials, \$3,000 for revising courses with expired certifications and major revisions, and \$2,000 for minor course revisions within a 20% change threshold”.</p> <p>❖ Dr. Kazen shared an update that the three-tiered proposal was not going to happen this year as it was going to have to go through the BAC during the next window in the spring/summer so the compensation structure will remain the same for now.</p> <p>❖ Dr. Kazen and Dr. Viloría mentioned that there is a concern that faculty will not be motivated to revise the upcoming QM certified courses that are expiring at the current stipend. This may impact the number of courses that will be recertified and may potentially have a domino effect if they don’t get recertified for QM.</p> <p>❖ Dr. Kazen asked Dr. Norris to ask AP if courses that are not QM certified/recertified, will they still be offered or how will this affect AP?</p> <p>❖ Gloria mentioned that in the case that a QM certified course is expired, the QM logo does get removed from the course, but the material is still available.</p> <p>❖ Dr. Viloría asked the committee where the funding source for course development comes from: Provost or OIT. Gloria Sanchez responded that the funding comes from OIT. Dr. Viloría asked if it came from the student technology access fee. Gloria wasn’t able to</p>

<p>Faculty Senate Concerns Regarding Confidentiality</p>	<p>confirm at the moment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Dr. Sosa asked the eLearning team about what happens to the QM certified content of faculty that decide to keep their intellectual property (no stipend is paid), but then they leave the university. Gloria mentioned that their content (course) gets removed. Dr. Sosa also asked for clarification on the different types of agreement/contract options 1) faculty gets contracted with stipend: material will then become a master shell and belongs to TAMIU, 2) do not get paid: the faculty get to keep their intellectual property on the material, and 3) paid by a grant from their own college/department, the university/college does get to keep the content for use as a master shell. ❖ Dr. Kazen discussed concerns brought up by Faculty Senate regarding the student online support (LMS) survey. The survey has an opened ended question at the end that asks if there are any other comments that should be related to online support, but some students use this as an opportunity to say something about their professor. Faculty are getting the results of that survey, so some faculty brought up the concern if student workers have access to confidential information about the professor, but Dr. Kazen confirmed the only person that sees those comments is Dr. Abrego and sends them out directly to the faculty mentioned as a courtesy for their review so student workers nor the elearning team are seeing those comments. ❖ Dr. Kazen also mentioned another concern that was brought up by Faculty Senate in reference to the overlapping of course evaluations and online learning evaluations and that students may think they do not need to complete both. Dr. Abrego assured Dr. Kazen that these two evaluations are not sent out at the same time and do not interfere with one another.
<p>Appointment of Student to serve In DEITC</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Dr. Kazen introduced the DEITC undergraduate student appointee, Abigail Olivares representing TAMIU Student Government. She is majoring in Multidisciplinary studies with concentrations in Liberal Arts, Communication, and Criminal Justice. ❖ The graduate student representative is still pending.
<p>Update- QM Rubric 7th Edition</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Carlos Vallarta reminded the committee that eLearning there is a 7th Edition QM Rubric Update for faculty and eLearning is promoting it by doing a giveaway as an incentive. Faculty who successfully complete the training by November 3 will be entered into a giveaway for a telescope. Currently, the 7th Edition QM Rubric update is being offered to faculty free of charge. However, after January 1, 2024, QM will charge a fee of \$50. The training takes approximately 4-6 hours to complete. Faculty can register for the training on the QM website.
<p>Program- Blackboard Ultra and Learning Technologies Week</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Carlos Vallarta presented a comparison of Blackboard Current Course View vs Ultra Course View and a recap of Ultra features and settings. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recap of Ultra's new look and changes: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The main change will be to the course layout and navigation. 2. The impact of changes is positive: more user-friendly for cell phone and tablet use. 3. New design more efficient, less clicks, more direct access to content 4. Accessibility is the #1 goal of Ultra. ❖ Carlos also did a recap of the Ultra deployment times: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring 2023 - Transition to Base Navigation • Summer 2023 - Begin Migration of Spring & Fall courses and QM Master content into Ultra. The marketing campaign also begins. • Fall 2023 - Ultra training begins through OIT trainings website. Finalize migration of Spring & Fall courses and Master content into Ultra. • Spring 2024 - Soft Launch of Ultra courses. Faculty will be given the option to transition their courses to Ultra or stay in Learn. • Summer 2024 - Full Launch for Ultra Courses. ❖ Dr. Sosa asked if you could migrate courses back to Learn once you have migrated them

	<p>to Ultra course view. Carlos responded that once a faulty member chooses their course view as Ultra, they cannot migrate the course back to Learn.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Carlos discussed the 14th Annual Learning Technologies Week (LTW), Ultra Experience Program with the DEITC Committee. LTW will take place October 30- November 3. There will be various giveaways at the end of the week and will be broadcasted via Facebook livestream from CWT 112 on Friday November 3rd at 12pm for participating faculty. The more sessions you attend the more times your name is entered into the drawing. ❖ Carlos mentioned the various LTW workshops being offered for faculty to attend during that week: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 faculty-led workshops • 6 vendor workshops (Blackboard, ECHO, VoiceThread, Follet) • 13 Ultra experience workshops with individual Ultra sandboxes (presented by the eLearning team) • 3 Lunch & Learn workshops (Blackboard, ECHO)
Open Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Karol Batey reminded the committee that AEFIS Assessment Reports are due Friday, October 27. She will be sending out an email reminder to anyone who is pending to submit a report. ❖ Dr. Sosa would like to add OER to the agenda for the November DEITC meeting. She will email Dr. Abrego details of the OER discussion. ❖ Next meeting will be November 27 ❖ The meeting was adjourned at 4:02 pm.