



## Faculty Development Opportunities - Fall 2025

### CLTE Faculty Learning Series • CIDL Events • Thrift Library Faculty Development Sessions

Sessions noted with an **AI** symbol will have a focus on Artificial Intelligence.

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#### Fall Faculty Social Drop-In

Welcome back to the Fall semester! Stop by for delicious food, fellowship, and infinite coffee (well, infinite until 11:30, anyway.) Visit with friends you haven't seen since May and meet new colleagues. Stay for a bit, or just take a to-go plate and run.

**Friday, Aug. 22, 10:00-11:30 am**  
**Vandiver Gallery, Thrift Library**

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#### Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion Overview Workshop (This session is also New Faculty Orientation Workshop #1)

Nathan Cox, Associate Provost and Director of the CLTE

This workshop will introduce and review AU's Faculty Performance Review process and Reappointment, Tenure and Promotion system. Discussions items will include timelines, application deadlines, Teaching Evaluations, Professional Development Plans, annual/biennial reviews with your deans, evaluation criteria, and where to find requirements and application forms.

Who should attend? All new faculty, any Professional Path or Tenure Track Faculty in Year 3, any faculty planning to apply for promotion, and any others who have any questions about the expectations are encouraged to come.

Upcoming Important Date Reminders:

- Year 3 faculty email Kris Barnett (kbarnett@andersonuniversity.edu) to request a Fall Teaching Evaluation from the FSC by Sept. 8.
- Promotion and Tenure Applicants' Portfolios are due to upload to your secure FSC Google Drive folder by Sept. 22.

**Friday, Aug 29, 10:10 am**  
**Thrift 002**

or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/97984949536>

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#### **AI** AI Playground - Intro to Boodlebox

Hosted by the CIDL

Explore recent AI innovations transforming teaching and learning. We'll highlight key updates from the past few months and demonstrate practical prompting techniques to get more relevant, effective responses from AI. Come ready to experiment, ask questions, and leave with strategies you can apply immediately in your own teaching context.

**Friday, Sept. 5, 10:10-11:00 am**  
**Thrift 002**

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**AI SMARTER Prompt Engineering with Boodlebox**

Dr. Martin Jones, Professor of AI, Law, and Ethics; Assoc. Dean of the College of Bus. & Econ.

Prompt engineering is quickly becoming one of the top digital skills in the AI era. Knowing how to create quality, contextually relevant input (what we type into an AI) is essential to creating relevant and accurate output (what we receive back). The SMARTER prompt engineering framework is a simple, step-by-step process to understanding how to better communicate with a vast array of chatbots. This seminar will give an overview of the framework, and then demonstrate how to use it with a variety of chatbots in the Boodlebox platform.

**Friday, Sept. 12, 10:10-11:00 am**

**Thrift 002**

or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/91391957726>

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**Unlocking Academic Resources: Mastering University Library Systems for Faculty Success**

Kasey Swords, Interim Director, Thrift Library

Whitney Rice, Head of Access Services, Thrift Library

Join us for an engaging session designed to empower faculty with the skills to effectively navigate and utilize our library systems. This session will demystify the differences between the library catalog and databases, providing clear guidance on how and when to use each system to enhance your research and teaching. Participants will gain hands-on experience and access to a suite of tutorials that can be shared with students to support their academic success. Whether you're looking to streamline your research process or enrich your classroom resources, this session will equip you with the tools needed to make the most of our library's offerings.

**Friday, Sept. 19, 10:10-11:00 am**

**Thrift 002**

or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/97607091985>

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**How to Write Productive PDP Goals / Intro. to IDEA Course Ratings and Objective Selection  
(This session is also New Faculty Orientation Workshop #2)**

Nathan Cox, Associate Provost and Director of the CLTE

In this workshop we'll focus on the first step of the annual Performance Review process – writing Professional Development Plan goals. We'll start with two pieces of general advice and then discuss the five aspects of a PDP goal that help make it productive and useful.

We'll also discuss the roll of course ratings in our review processes. No course evaluation system is perfect, but IDEA gives your students a voice, and it provides you with a wealth of information about the effectiveness of your teaching. We'll discuss Objective Selection and strategies for improving student response rates.

A later session this Spring will focus on how to interpret results and learn more about teaching strategies to improve effectiveness.

**Friday, Sept. 26, 10:10-11:00 am**

**Thrift 002**

or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/92142171356>

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### **AI** AI Pedagogy and AI in the Curriculum, part 1

Webinar from the Council of Independent Colleges *AI Ready* program

October is one of two months in the *AI Ready* program that will focus in on the work of faculty. On the first three Thursdays of October, we'll discuss AI issues related to teaching and curricular integration.

One you sign up, you can join the Webinar from your office or join us in the room for a group viewing and conversation during and after.

**Thursday, Oct. 2, 2:00**

**Chapman Multi-Media Room, Thrift Library**

**Save the date. Zoom details and registration info to follow.**

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### **AI** AI Roundtable: Faculty Innovations in AI-Enhanced Teaching

Hosted by the CIDL

Join faculty who have successfully integrated AI-enabled tools into their courses for an engaging roundtable discussion. Discover practical strategies, real-world applications, and lessons learned from educators transforming their teaching with artificial intelligence. Gain actionable insights into implementing AI tools, improving student outcomes, and navigating challenges across various disciplines. Whether you're new to AI in education or expanding current practices, this collaborative session offers valuable peer perspectives from the frontlines of educational innovation.

**Friday, Oct 3, 10:10-11:00 am**

**Thrift 002**

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### **AI** AI Pedagogy and AI in the Curriculum, part 2

Webinar from the Council of Independent Colleges *AI Ready* program

October is one of two months in the *AI Ready* program that will focus in on the work of faculty. On the first three Thursdays of October, we'll discuss AI issues related to teaching and curricular integration.

We do realize this CIC Webinar is scheduled during AU's Fall Break. Those who are available and interested can join the webinar remotely once they sign up, but for this week, due to Fall Break, there will be no in-person option in a physical space for a group viewing and conversation.

**Thursday, Oct. 9, 2:00**

**Save the date. Zoom details and registration info to follow.**

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### **AI** AI Pedagogy and AI in the Curriculum, part 3

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**Thursday, Oct. 16, 2:00**

**Chapman Multi-Media Room, Thrift Library**

**Save the date. Zoom details and registration info to follow.**

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### **Academic Advising Workshop**

Dr. Evie Maxey, Assistant Director of the CLTE and Associate Professor of Human Resource Management

This session will focus on a step-by-step set of best practices for advising, before, during, and after your advising appointments. We'll leave plenty of time for Q & A, especially for those who have questions about how to use Workday for advising and registration.

**Friday, Oct. 17, 10:10 am Thrift 002**

or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/96008250832>

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### **AI** Navigating Copyright in Academia: Policies, Guides, and the Impact of AI

Kasey Swords, Interim Director, Thrift Library

Whitney Rice, Head of Access Services, Thrift Library

This session is designed to equip faculty with an understanding of copyright and intellectual property within the academic setting. We will explore Anderson University's copyright and intellectual property policies, providing clarity on how these regulations affect your teaching and research. Participants will be introduced to Thrift Library's new copyright guide, a valuable resource for navigating copyright issues. Additionally, we will delve into the evolving landscape of copyright law, examining how advancements in artificial intelligence are influencing legal interpretations and practices.

**Friday, Oct. 24, 10:10 am**

**Thrift 002**

or Zoom at: <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/94594404370>

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### **Faith & Learning Dialog:**

#### **Faith and Service - Stewarding and Embracing Professors' Administrative Tasks**

Dr. Sherelle Ducksworth, Assistant Prof. of Christian Studies

Teaching and learning are appropriately central to a professor's focus for a myriad of reasons. Additionally, many professors are pursuing scholarly endeavors or service work in their profession, perhaps in pursuit of tenure or promotion, but also to carry out what they see as their calling or vocation. Unfortunately, attention to teaching, learning, scholarship, and professional service often makes faculty administrative work feel like tedious busy work that impedes on our ability to focus on what we might identify as the crux of our vocation

as professors. However, our administrative tasks are a significant aspect of our vocation and our Christian stewardship. This session invites professors to consider why we do administrative work and how it fits in our Christian stewardship here at AU. This session highlights a biblical, social, and educational foundation for seeing faculty administration as much more than committees and advising but as impact and influence entrusted to us by God.

**Friday, Oct 31, 10:10 am**

**Thrift 002**

or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/94770316801>

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#### **Retention and Student Success, part 1**

Webinar from the Council of Independent Colleges *AI Ready* program

November's *AI Ready* program topic will focus on Student Success. We'll explore how institutions, student success staff, and faculty can leverage AI to support students and bolster retention.

Once you sign up, you can join the Webinar from your office or join us in the room for a group viewing and conversation during and after.

**Thursday, Nov. 6, 2:00**

**Chapman Multi-Media Room, Thrift Library**

**Save the date. Zoom details and registration info to follow.**

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#### **AI Roundtable: Student Voices on AI in the Classroom**

Hosted by the CIDL

Join students from across campus as they share their experiences with AI-enabled tools in their courses. This roundtable discussion features diverse student perspectives on how artificial intelligence has impacted their learning, productivity, and academic success. Hear candid insights about what works, what doesn't, and what students really want from AI integration in education. Faculty attendees will gain invaluable feedback directly from students to inform teaching strategies, tool selection, and future AI implementations that truly support student learning.

**Friday, Nov 7, 10:10 am**

**Thrift 002**

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**Thursday, Nov. 13, 2:00**

**Chapman Multi-Media Room, Thrift Library**

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### **AI Enhancing Research with Generative AI: Tools and Trends**

Kasey Swords, Interim Director, Thrift Library

Whitney Rice, Head of Access Services, Thrift Library

Dive into the dynamic world of generative AI and explore how these tools can enhance the research process. This session will introduce faculty to the array of generative AI tools currently available within our library systems, as well as explore third-party tools that can enhance research capabilities. As this is an evolving field, we will discuss the latest trends and developments. Bring your laptop or tablet to practice engaging with these tools during the session.

**Friday, Nov. 14, 10:10 am**

**Thrift 002**

or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/93707130065>

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### **AI Retention and Student Success, part 3**

Webinar from the Council of Independent Colleges *AI Ready* program

November's *AI Ready* program topic will focus on Student Success. We'll explore how institutions, student success staff, and faculty can leverage AI to support students and bolster retention.

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**Thursday, Nov. 20, 2:00**

**Chapman Multi-Media Room, Thrift Library**

**Save the date. Zoom details and registration info to follow.**

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### **Pre-Finals Faculty Social Drop-in (Thanksgiving Edition)**

'Tis the season for gratitude, and the CLTE says thank you for another semester of excellent work with our students. Only five more days of class meetings after this week! Stop by and enjoy scrumptious treats and some quality time with colleagues and get yourself in the mindset to have a happy and gratitude-filled Thanksgiving next week.

**Friday, Nov. 21, 10:00-11:30 am**

**Vandiver Gallery, Thrift Library**

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