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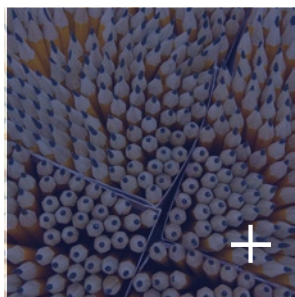
New events and programs and more!

Special Extended Newsletter

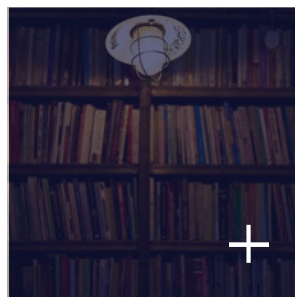
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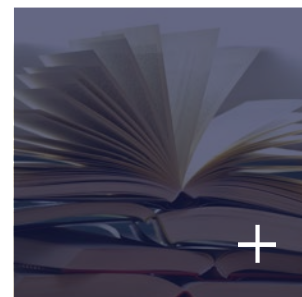
(Re)Connection and (Re)engagement



Join the Faculty Center Connections Program and see our other calls for applications!



Welcome from new Faculty Center Director and meet our new Assoc Director!



Upcoming events on teaching, research, and more!



W e l c o m e f r o m t h e D i r e c t o r

Welcome Back CSUSM Faculty!

I am excited to begin my first semester as the Faculty Center Director. The Faculty Center has been formative to my success at CSUSM and I hope to continue the programming and support that have become hallmarks of the Faculty Center while working with all of you to develop new events and opportunities that can best serve faculty at CSUSM.

The Faculty Center was a busy place this past summer with our Canvas Basics, Canvas Summer Teaching Institute, and Flipped Canvas Boot Camp programs to help with our learning management system transition from Moodle to Canvas. We also provided support and training for 27 new tenure track faculty hires via our New Faculty Institute (NFI) and look forward to supporting new lecturer hires at this week's New Lecturer Orientation programs. It's always exciting to have new colleagues join us, especially at a moment when the campus is poised to welcome the largest first-year student class in our history!

As our campus community works towards having more in-person learning experiences and more chances for campus-based events, I'm excited to share with you the theme for this semester's Teaching & Learning programming, co-led by Faculty Center Associate Director, Jimmy Young: **(Re)Connection and (Re)engagement**.

We'll be focusing on a series of programs from informal brown-bags to workshops that consider how we help students get (re)connected and (re)engaged in our classroom spaces and how to rebuild learning communities. This will be a complement to our broader Faculty Center programming on rebuilding our own faculty and scholarly communities. Students and faculty have faced numerous challenges since March 2020 and it is a period that has been marked by ongoing stress, trauma, loss, isolation, and more. Our theme of (re)connection and (re)engagement for our teaching and learning track will focus on positive ways faculty can reimagine their classroom spaces for active and community-building learning practices as well as pedagogical practices that consider the digital and technological possibilities for active and equitable learning.

(Re)Connection and (Re)engagement will also thematize our Fall programming more broadly as we relaunch the Faculty Center Connections program that helps faculty meet colleagues from across campus and other opportunities to re-engage your scholarship and creative activity. Connection is also about care, so later in Fall we will have a brown-bag series that will help faculty think about how to re-engage and reconnect while being mindful of the importance of boundary setting and self-care.

In addition to our new programming, we have returning programs such as Faculty Learning Communities (FLC), the Faculty Mentoring Program (FMP), and our usual events on Retention, Tenure, and Promotion and WPAFs.

Please visit our [webpage](#) for further details about all programming and keep an eye out for our weekly event reminders in your inboxes!

My sincerest thanks to Allie Carr, Matt Atherton, Sonia Perez, and phenomenal student assistants Gaby and Natalie who have made me and Jimmy feel welcomed and prepared for our new roles.

Have a great first week of classes!
Rebecca Lush, Faculty Center Director





New Events for Fall

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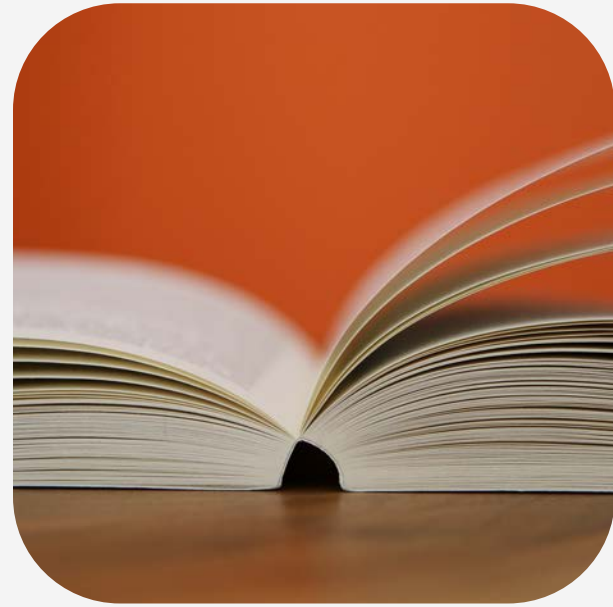
“Student Success September” will be a month-long brown-bag series during U-Hour on Tuesdays in the Faculty Center where we invite faculty to bring their lunch and join in conversation around a pre-set themed topic related to student success (a topic which has a prominent place in our campus’s newly launched strategic plan). We’ll provide dessert!

2.

Teaching and Tea Series—“Podcast Pedagogy” is a two-part special series that will include sample assignments on how faculty colleagues have used podcast assignments in their classes and how creating podcasts can be used to support student learning and making faculty research accessible to a wider audience. We’ll provide tea and cookies at these events!

3.

We’ll also have two focused workshops this semester: 1. **Connecting with the Current Generation of College Students**, and 2. **The Future of Teaching and Learning: Futurist Approaches**.



Book Club

Finally, we are bringing back the **CSUSM Faculty Book Club**, which will be reading **Academia Next: The Futures of Higher Education**, by Bryan Alexander.



New Associate Director for Teaching and Learning

Introducing, Dr. Jimmy Young

Dr. Jimmy Young, PhD, MSW, MPA has been an Associate Professor in the Department of Social Work at CSUSM since 2015. He holds a PhD in Social Work, Master's degrees in Social Work and Public Administration, and a Bachelor's degree in Social Work. He has a range of practice experience from mental health counseling to program evaluation and nonprofit administration.

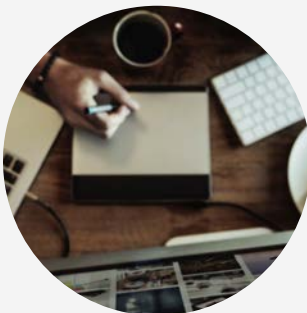
In the classroom Dr. Young is committed to quality education using creative and innovative methods based on his practice experience and research. He has taught across the curriculum in undergraduate and graduate programs as well as online. He believes in creating successful, knowledgeable, and knowledgeable students which requires sound pedagogy, respect for human relationships, and knowledge of course design that encourages participation and collaboration.

Dr. Young is excited to be selected as the next Associate Director for Teaching & Learning and hopes to engage and support faculty in new ways, increase the presence of the Faculty Center, and create professional development opportunities that will continue to enhance the educational experience at CSUSM.



Dr. Jimmy Young
Associate Director

Your Fall 2022 Faculty Center Team:



Faculty Fellows

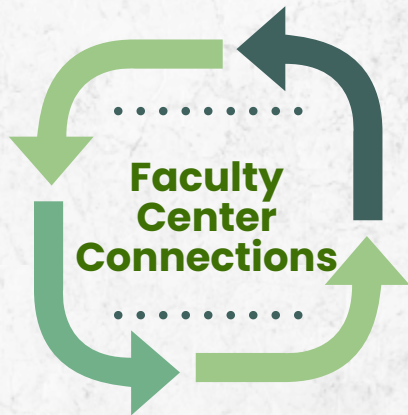
- Dr. Rebecca Lush**, Faculty Center Director
- Dr. Jimmy Young**, Faculty Center Associate Director for Teaching & Learning
- Sonia Perez**, Faculty Center and Faculty Mentoring Program Coordinator
- Natalie Guerrero**, Student Assistant
- Gabriela Rodriguez-Trejo**, Student Assistant
- Barbara Cardoso**, Student Assistant

- Dr. Tumay Turnur**, Faculty Fellow for Diversity, Equity, Inclusion
- Dr. Rachel Nortz**, Lecturer Faculty Fellow/Liaison
- Dr. Richard Armenta**, Faculty Fellow for Faculty Mentoring Program
- Dr. Cecilia Uy-Tioco**, Faculty Fellow for Research & Creative Activity
- Dr. Cynthia Melendrez**, Faculty Fellow for Quality Online Learning & Teaching



GET INVOLVED!

Faculty Center Opportunities Apply Today!



[Applications due Sept 15, 2022](#)

Faculty Center Connections provides mutual mentoring for faculty at CSUSM. Faculty Center Connections enables faculty from different colleges and departments to meet and grow as colleagues. This program is an excellent way for newer faculty to learn more about CSUSM and for established faculty to find new colleagues that can be part of future collaborations and community building.

Faculty at all levels are encouraged to apply!

What is involved? You will either be matched 1:1 or in a small group across departments and disciplines. In each mentoring "group", there will be several new and/or junior faculty paired with a more senior faculty. During the academic year, faculty meet informally on a monthly basis.

Call for Faculty Center Research Colloquium Nominations Fall 2022 & Spring 2023

The Faculty Center Research Colloquium is a signature event where a faculty member gets to share their research and/or creative activity with the broader academic community at CSUSM. All faculty are encouraged to nominate a colleague, and we would especially welcome nominations from areas that have not been represented recently. Nominations should describe the research or creative activity area of the nominee and the topical significance of this work for a generalist academic community event.

Please email the [Faculty Center](#) by September 15, 2022 to submit your nomination.

Faculty Mentoring Program

The Faculty Mentoring Program (FMP) serves students who are first generation and/or economically disadvantaged in their journey to receive their undergraduate degree. Faculty mentors provide students with social and instrumental support, so that students find the resources they need, engage in new leadership opportunities, and plan for their future.

[Apply to be a mentor today.](#)





CONNECTING

Personalized Support

Need a 1:1 Appointment?

The Faculty Center supports faculty through our programming which includes events, series, and professional development grant opportunities, but we're also here to provide individual support. If you want to schedule a one-on-one with either the Faculty Center Director or the Associate Director for Teaching & Learning use our [Bookings page](#) to set up a time.



Events and Resources from Our Campus Partners:

Arts & Lectures Event “AfroLatinas in Literature”: Ariana Brown and Yolanda Arroyo Pizarro will discuss issues related to race in AfroLatinx culture, women’s rights, LGBTQ fight for equity. The lectures are planned to take place online in Fall 2022 on Thursday, October 6th and Monday, October 10th. Visit the Arts & Lecture website for further details

Subject Librarians Available for All Departments and Programs!

The CSUSM Library has a subject librarian assigned to each academic program. The list can be found at <https://biblio.csusm.edu/librarians-by-subject>

Recommended Short Read:

[How to Teach a Good First Day of Class](#)

Have an event or resource you’d like the Faculty Center to cross-promote in our newsletter or events messaging? Send your request to facctr@csusm.edu.

HAVE A GREAT FIRST WEEK OF CLASSES!



**The Faculty Center
&
University Library**



Invites you to the

*17th Annual Faculty Reception
and Resources Fair*

Wednesday, August 24th, 2022

3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Kellogg 2400

PLEASE RSVP



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