



# FACULTY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GUIDE

**SPRING/SUMMER 2026**

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# Faculty Professional Development JANUARY 2026

Register for workshops/webinars via the [Course Registration tool](#) in myLU (Subject Code: PDCT). Email [cte@liberty.edu](mailto:cte@liberty.edu) with questions.

**CTE Virtual Open Office Hours;** Tuesday, Jan. 20 & 27

Noon-4:30 p.m. No registration required. Log on: [MS Teams](#)

**New Faculty Orientation;** Monday, Jan. 13

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066

**Teaching Students with Disabilities: Teaching Academy;** Thursday, Jan. 15

9-11:30 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

*Dr. Ester Warren, Facilitator. CEUs available upon request.*

**Teaching Students to Think Critically: Teaching Academy;** Thursday, Jan. 15

1-3:30 p.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

*Dr. Dan Berkenkemper, Facilitator. CEUs available upon request.*

**Canvas for Teachers;** Friday, Jan. 16

9-11:30 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Canvas for Designers;** Friday, Jan. 16

1-3:30 p.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Virtual Prayer Session: Spring B-Term;** Monday, Jan. 19

Noon-1 p.m. No registration required. Log on: [MS Teams](#)

**Improving Student Satisfaction: Strengthening Student Connections Series;** Wednesday, Jan. 21

5-5:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Engaging Your Residential Class with Top Hat;** Friday, Jan. 23

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Creating Assignments, Quizzes, and Rubrics in Canvas;** Monday, Jan. 26

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Navigating Technical Challenges: Strengthening Student Connections Series;** Wednesday, Jan. 28

5-5:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Academic Integrity and AI: A Skills-Based Workshop for AI Discovery;** Friday, Jan. 30

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

*Offered in collaboration with the Office of Academic Integrity*



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## Wednesday, January 14, 2026

# Faculty Professional Development FEBRUARY 2026

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**CTE Virtual Open Office Hours;** Tuesday, Feb. 3, 10, 17 & 24

Noon-4:30 p.m. No registration required. Log on: [MS Teams](#)

**Boosting Learner Motivation:**

**Strengthening Student Connections Series;** Wednesday, Feb. 4

5-5:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Biblical Worldview Integration: Spring Keynote with Dr. Mark Eckel;** Thursday, Feb. 5

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Gamification in the College Classroom;** Friday, Feb. 6

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Engaging Your Classes with MS Whiteboard;** Monday, Feb. 9

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Reviving Student Engagement:**

**Strengthening Student Connections Series;** Wednesday, Feb. 11

5-5:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Beyond Attendance: Top Hat for Active Learning;** Friday, Feb. 13

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Designing Outstanding Residential Courses: An Overview;** Monday, Feb. 16

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Virtual Prayer Session: Spring C-Term;** Monday, Feb. 16

Noon-1 p.m. No registration required. Log on: [MS Teams](#)

**Utilizing Video Messages to Enhance Teacher Presence**

**Canvas Tools for Effective Teaching Series;** Wednesday, Feb. 18

Noon-12:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Fostering Student Engagement with Adobe Express QR Codes;** Friday, Feb. 20

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Logos Tools for Faculty;** Monday, Feb. 23

2:30-3:15 p.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Engaging Students with Message Students Who**

**Canvas Tools for Effective Teaching Series;** Wednesday, Feb. 25

Noon-12:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Creating Videos with Adobe Express;** Friday, Feb. 27

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams



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# MARCH 2026

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**CTE Virtual Open Office Hours;** Tuesday, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31  
Noon-4:30 p.m. No registration required. Log on: [MS Teams](#)

## **Strategies for Communication:**

**Canvas Tools for Effective Teaching Series;** Wednesday, Mar. 4  
Noon-12:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Biblical Worldview Integration with Dr. David Wheeler;** Thursday, Mar. 5  
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Advanced Methods for the Active Learning Classroom;** Friday, Mar. 6  
10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

## **Improving Accessibility for Students:**

**Canvas Tools for Effective Teaching Series;** Wednesday, Mar. 11  
Noon-12:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Using AI to Enhance Teaching and Learning;** Friday, Mar. 13  
10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Virtual Prayer Session: Spring D-Term;** Monday, Mar. 23  
Noon-1 p.m. No registration required. Log on: [MS Teams](#)

## **Examining a Discipline's Assumptions**

**Biblical Worldview in Online Education;** Wednesday, Mar. 25  
5-5:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Teaching Students to Use AI Ethically;** Friday, Mar. 27  
10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams



Register via the Course Registration Tool: PDCT 266 – Research Boot Camp

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# APRIL 2026

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**CTE Virtual Open Office Hours;** Tuesday, Apr. 7, 14, 21 & 28

Noon-4:30 p.m. No registration required. Log on: [MS Teams](#)

## **Finding Coherence in the Disciplines**

**Biblical Worldview in Online Education Series;** Wednesday, Apr. 1

5-5:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Biblical Worldview Integration with Dr. Kenyon Knapp;** Thursday, Apr. 2

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Using AI to Enhance Teaching and Learning;** Friday, Apr. 3

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

## **Seeing and Serving Students**

**Biblical Worldview in Online Education Series;** Wednesday, Apr. 8

5-5:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Preparing Your RESDEV for Course Copy;** Friday, Apr. 10

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Course Analysis: The Dive into Rigor, Videos, and So Much More;** Monday, Apr. 13

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

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## **Approaching Research and Interdisciplinarity**

**Biblical Worldview in Online Education Series;** Wednesday, Apr. 15

5-5:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Creating Assignments and Activities with Logos;** Friday, Apr. 17

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**AI Tools for Assignments and Activities;** Monday, Apr. 20

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

## **Connecting to Our Mission and Purpose as Faculty**

**Maintaining the Standards of Instruction Series;** Wednesday, Apr. 22

Noon-12:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Visual Design Principles for PowerPoint;** Monday, Apr. 27

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

## **Fostering an Inclusive and Accessible Community for Our Students**

**Maintaining the Standards of Instruction Series;** Wednesday, Apr. 29

Noon-12:45 p.m.; MS Teams



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# MAY 2026

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**CTE Virtual Open Office Hours;** Tuesday, May 5, 12, 19, 26

Noon-4:30 p.m. No registration required. Log on: [MS Teams](#)

**Establishing Fair and Transparent Grading Practices**

**Maintaining the Standards of Instruction Series;** Wednesday, May 6

Noon-12:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Wrapping Up Your Semester Well;** Friday, May 8

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Refreshing the Soul as You Anticipate the Summer;** Monday, May 11

10:30-11:15 a.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and MS Teams

**Nurturing Continuous Academic and Professional Growth**

**Maintaining the Standards of Instruction Series;** Wednesday, May 13

Noon-12:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Virtual Prayer Session: Summer B-Term;** Monday, May 18

Noon-1 p.m. No registration required. Log on: [MS Teams](#)

**Teaching With Technology Residential Boot Camp;** Thursday-Friday, May 21-22

8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066

**Teaching With Technology Online Boot Camp;** Saturday, May 23

8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.; MS Teams

**Reclaiming Your Time**

**Teaching Well Online Series;** Wednesday, May 27

5-5:45 p.m.; MS Teams



## May Teaching Academies

**Helping Students Identify and Develop Their Strengths**

Monday, May 18; 9-11:30 a.m.; Sarah Boettger, Facilitator

**Student Motivation - Engaging Students in Residential Classes**

Tuesday, May 19; 9-11:30 a.m.; Kjell Fenn, Facilitator

**Taking Teaching to New Heights with AI**

Tuesday, May 19; 1-3:30 p.m.; Jake Byrd, Facilitator

Academies are offered in-person in DeMoss Hall, Room 3066 and via MS Teams.

CEUs (.25) Available upon request.

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# Faculty Professional Development JUNE & JULY 2026

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July 2026 Professional Development offerings will appear under the Employees 2026-27 Term in the course registration tool.

**CTE Virtual Open Office Hours;** Tuesday, Jun. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30; Jul. 7, 14, 21 & 28

Noon-4:30 p.m. No registration required. Log on: [MS Teams](#)

**Research Boot Camp;** Monday-Friday, Jun. 1-5

8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; DeMoss Hall, Room 3066

**Avoiding Burnout**

**Teaching Well Online Series;** Wednesday, Jun. 10

5-5:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Balancing Work and Rest**

**Teaching Well Online Series;** Wednesday, Jun. 17

5-5:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Spiritual Disciplines**

**Teaching Well Online Series;** Wednesday, Jun. 24

5-5:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Virtual Prayer Session: Summer D-Term;** Monday, Jun. 29

Noon-1 p.m. No registration required. Log on: [MS Teams](#)

**Community and Connections for Online Faculty**

**Teaching Well Online Series;** Wednesday, Jul. 1

5-5:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Supporting Student Well-Being and Spiritual Formation in a Remote Setting**

**Grace-Filled Growth in Higher Education;** Wednesday, Jul. 8

Noon-12:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Navigating Academic Integrity and Plagiarism**

**Grace-Filled Growth in Higher Education;** Wednesday, Jul. 15

Noon-12:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Using Student Feedback and Self-Assessment to Grow as a Christian Educator**

**Grace-Filled Growth in Higher Education;** Wednesday, Jul. 22

Noon-12:45 p.m.; MS Teams

**Curating Digital Resources that Align with Christian Values**

**Grace-Filled Growth in Higher Education;** Wednesday, Jul. 29

Noon-12:45 p.m.; MS Teams



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# BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW INTEGRATION



**Thursday, Feb. 5**  
**11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**  
DeMoss Hall, Room 3066  
**Dr. Mark Eckel**, *Center for Biblical Integration*

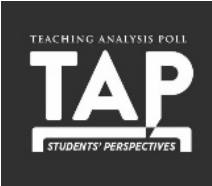


**Thursday, Mar. 5**  
**11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**  
DeMoss Hall, Room 3066  
**Dr. David Wheeler**, *LU Shepherd*



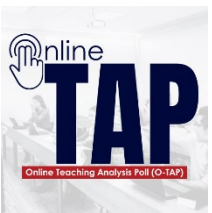
**Thursday, Apr. 2**  
**11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**  
DeMoss Hall, Room 3066  
**Dr. Kenyon Knapp**, *School of Behavioral Sciences*

## RESIDENTIAL TEACHING ANALYSIS POLLS (TAPS) March 1-31



Why wait until your End-of-Course Surveys for student feedback? TAPs are a great way to take the pulse of your residential class mid-semester to determine what is helping student learning and what is hindering student learning. It also provides suggestions for strengthening your class. To request your TAP during the month of March, complete the form at: <https://forms.office.com/r/zWvEhyj8dy>.

## ONLINE TEACHING ANALYSIS POLLS (O-TAPS)



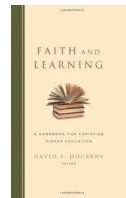
Would you like to gather feedback from your students about your online courses before the End-of-Course Surveys? CTE's Online Teaching Analysis Polls (O-TAPs) are designed to provide online faculty with valuable student feedback on written communications, discussion facilitation, assignment feedback, and support and engagement. To request your O-TAP for an A-, B-, or D-Term course, complete the form at: <https://forms.office.com/r/j88Ctskjlja>.

## FACULTY BOOK STUDIES

To register, email [cte@liberty.edu](mailto:cte@liberty.edu)



**The Brothers Karamazov**  
By Fyodor Dostoevsky  
Yearlong Residential Book Study  
Wednesday, Jan. 28, Feb. 25, Apr. 1, Apr. 29, Sept. 9,  
Oct. 14, Nov. 11 & Dec. 9  
10:15-11:15 a.m.  
DeMoss Hall, Room 3066  
Facilitated by Dr. Stephen Bell



**Faith and Learning: A Handbook for Christian Higher Education**  
By David Dockery  
Online Book Study  
Thursday, Jan. 29, Feb. 26, Mar. 26 & Apr. 30  
Noon-1 p.m.  
MS Teams  
Facilitated by Dr. Sherri Walker

## VIRTUAL PRAYER SESSIONS

Please join us online for an hour-long prayer session at the beginning of each online term. During each session, we will pray for our students, faculty, and leadership. You can use [MS Teams](#) to join us for one or more of our upcoming prayer sessions! This semester's dates are Jan. 19, Feb. 16, Mar. 23, May 18 & Jun. 29.

## VIRTUAL OPEN OFFICE HOURS

Visit CTE on MS Teams for virtual drop-in support! Every Tuesday from noon to 4:30 p.m. CTE hosts virtual open office hours for faculty to ask any technology or teaching questions. You can join us for virtual office hours using [MS Teams](#)!





# 2026 SPRING & SUMMER PRO DEV PLANNER

*As you review CTE's Professional Development Guide, feel free to use the planner below to note any opportunities that interest you. Once you've made your selections, you can register through the Course Registration Tool in myLU.*

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