

Academic Liaison Meeting

01/12/22 @ 8:30a.m.

Announcements and Updates from OAI

- Email aihelp@tamu.edu for all inquiries or through the Academic Liaisons Teams channel.

Final Grade Submission Process

- Updated web content: [Final Grade Submission in Canvas](#)
- Meeting with Faculty Senate Executive Committee in the coming weeks to address the concerns brought to their attention.
- Imperative to ensure the gradebook is set up correctly with the following:
 - Late and Missing assignment policy
 - Automatic or Manual Posting Policy

Beginning of Semester Procedures

- Course Merge deadline
 - Deadline for Academic Liaisons is 1 day before Start of Term. For most instances, this means January 17, 2022. Since this is a University Holiday, we advertised January 14, 2022.
 - Will not merge courses with student data or published courses.
- Course Start and End Dates
 - Admins have applied a fix to most courses, but we still are finding courses with odd start/end dates.
 - Fix has been applied by removing the “Adjust Dates” while Importing Content option.
- [Start of Semester Checklist](#)

New! ORCA Website

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- Manage course sections
 - Merge course sections
 - Duplicate sections
- Course Associate Role Enrollments
 - Non-Employee Training Requirements
 - Training Status
- Communities in Canvas

- **REMINDER:** Communities are for non-academic courses. All academic courses (even zero-credit) will need to route through an official course and not a Community. Still specific to AL's

Upcoming Meetings – January 26, 2022 at 8:30 AM CT

In the upcoming meeting, we will discuss the new Student Observer Role Process for Athletics and how Instructors are able to Opt-In.

Discussion

Final Grade Submission Process

Q: Would like manual grade enter system. Timeline?

A: Unposted final grade column being posted is a Canvas-wide change. No timeline.

Q: Groups with weights and worth different points, are weighted items equal or proportion?

A: Based out of points possible. 10/10 vs 5/5 grading would carry more weight. Cannot change the setting to be proportionate versus equal. If you would like to change the weight, would have to change the points possible per assignment.

Adjust Dates Fix

Q: Adjust Dates fix be permanent? If not, could ALs or faculty be able to fix themselves.

A: will have a meeting with Instructure to see if there is a way to override

Course Merge

Q: For a faculty member, created a dev shell, moved to spring shell using import/export and the accessibility score was lowered because the alt tags didn't move.

A: You can delete any files that you don't use. Course Copy might be better option.

<https://lms.tamu.edu/Menu/Canvas-Template-Pages/Course-Building-Best-Practices#copying>

Third-Party Tools

Q: Issues with Webassign. Been in communication with vendor since November

A: Reach out to AL for Science.

Google Assignments

Q: Issue with Google Assignments. Google Slide import into Canvas doesn't work.

A: put in a ticket and we can schedule a meeting

Q: Students have issues accessing documents uploaded because have access issue?

A: built from scratch in a different way, deprecating from Canvas as well

Communities

Q: In Kingsville, instead of UIN use "K" numbers (Ex. K00123456). Are we able to use TAMUK K-Numbers for ID in Canvas Community Course. Example is K00123456.

A: I don't believe so as Canvas is set up to recognize the TAMU UIN.

McGraw-Hill Connect

Q: Issues with McGraw-Hill Connect and reading assignments, which creates a column in the gradebook. Is there a way to avoid this automatically creating a column.

A: have professors that utilize reading assignments and don't have issues so will check with them