

NEWSLETTER



Assessment Reporting for Fall 2016

Final Fall 2016 Syllabi should have been submitted. If you have not done so, please submit via e-mail (jculhane@vt.edu) or upload to the shared [syllabus file](#) in the FYE Community of Practice (CoP) Canvas site.

Assignment Guideline should be submitted by the end of the semester. We have many submitted already; thank you! This can be any assignment/activity guideline (what you give students) that demonstrates effective teaching and learning. Submit via e-mail (jculhane@vt.edu) or upload to the [shared assignment guideline folder](#) in the FYE CoP Canvas site.

Examples: Undergraduate research, collaborative project, writing intensive, global or diverse perspectives, academic success in college transition.

Student Survey will be given to FYE course leads as a Qualtrics link with instructions by October 19th. Administer the survey to students in all sections.

- Administer the survey the week of *October 24th-28th*.
- *Do not* offer course credit for completion.
- Results are used for administrative assessment reporting in aggregate form only. Summaries for each course will be shared with course leads after grades are finalized.

Faculty Survey will be administered to FYE course leads on *November 7* as a Qualtrics link. Response deadline: *November 28*.

One survey completed per FYE course. Results are used for administrative assessment reporting in aggregate form only.



FYE Community of Practice Canvas Site

The [FYE CoP Canvas site](#) is up and running with resources being added! Please use the Files section as a space to upload assignments, activities, and other resources to share across FYE colleagues.

If you have instructors in your FYE course who are not listed under the People tab, you can add them with their PID. Many announcements have gone out already utilizing the site and sharing current opportunities and topics of interest to the group.

Note: You control the frequency of Canvas site updates in your email inbox.



Virginia Tech Common Book Project

Common Book Use: Individual and/or group sessions available! We can also help with activity design.

Common Book resources can be found on the FYE Community of Practice canvas site:

- [It's All About Choices](#)
- [Power Dynamics in Service](#)
- [Diversity Discussion Prompts](#)
- [General Discussion Prompts](#)



Virginia Tech Common Book Project Essay Event

The 2016-2017 Virginia Tech Common Book Project Essay Event is now open!

[A flyer advertising the event](#) and introducing the prompt is available in Files on the CoP Canvas site. Please share this flyer with your students!



Student Engagement PowerPoint Slides

Every two weeks, a PowerPoint slide with upcoming student engagement opportunities will be added to Files in the CoP Canvas site. [Find the most recent slide here!](#)

FYE HAPPENINGS

2016/2017 National Resource Center for First-Year Experience and Students in Transition Award Nominees:

Excellence in Teaching First-Year Students:

Lori Blanc, Nikki Lewis
Davinci & Curie FYE

Outstanding First-Year Advocates:

Herbert "Bruce" Bruce
University Studies FYE

Read about the [Foundations of Business course text](#) shared electronically, free of charge to students through collaboration between the Pamplin College of Business and University Libraries.

WINTER CAMP FYE

Save the Date!

January 13

8:00am – 2:30pm

The Inn at Virginia Tech

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

CIDER WORKSHOP:

Effective Peer Mentoring Programs: Training and Supporting Your Academic Peer Mentors.

Audience – Faculty, Staff, Graduate Students.

[Register through CIDER.](#)

INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP CONSULTS/WORKSHOPS:

Sessions can be tailored to fit your needs. Please contact Jenn Culhane to schedule (jculhane@vt.edu).

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY MODULE

[Click here](#) for more information about the Undergraduate Honor System's new online Academic Integrity Module.