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Teaching at Southern

November 2018, The Center for Teaching Excellence

SoTL Commons Conference

Conference dates: January 24-25, 2019

on the Historic Savannah Riverfront at the Hyatt Regency, Savannah.

Early registration deadline is December 14, 2018.

Hosted by the Georgia Southern University Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE), the SoTL Commons is an international conference on the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning with an intimate feel - listen to high quality presentations from nationally and internationally recognized speakers and join in conversations with a community of scholars from around the world.

Keynote Speakers

Dr. Jennifer Friberg, *Sciences & Disorders at Illinois State University*

Dr. Jeffrey Karpicke, *Cognitive Psychology at Purdue University*

For the most updated conference information and to register for the conference, please visit the [SoTL Commons](#) website. Please note that Georgia Southern faculty may register at a significantly reduced rate of \$150.



Chancellor's Learning Scholars Faculty Learning Community

You are invited to be a part of a USG Chancellor's Learning Scholars Inaugural Faculty Learning Community (FLC):

small change > BIG DIFFERENCE = See it for yourself

This FLC will focus on introducing five active learning strategies in a course currently being taught by participants. With a small intervention in the teaching technique, the goal is to see change in student's learning attitudes, responsible behavior, perceptions, and mindset resulting in increased learning.

This FLC will meet on the Statesboro campus on Tuesdays from 10 - 11 AM. Dates are January, 29, February 12, March 5, March 26, and April 16.

If interested, please contact **Dr. Shainaz Landge** at slandge@georgiasouthern.edu



Faculty Award Deadlines

If you do not receive a confirmation receipt for your submissions within 48 hours, please inquire to Patricia Hendrix at phendrix@georgiasouthern.edu

Focus on Excellence in Contributions to Instruction

If you have accepted a nomination for this award, the nomination package is due by **5 PM, ET Monday, December 10, 2018**. Application guidelines can be found on our website for [Faculty Development Awards](#). Please submit electronic application packages to the CTE via email to phendrix@georgiasouthern.edu.

Spring Professional Travel Awards

Faculty interested in seeking funds for professional travel between March 2, 2019 and June 20, 2019 should submit applications no later than **5 PM, ET, January 11, 2019**. Guidelines for these award applications are available on the CTE website for [Faculty Development Awards](#). Submit applications online to the CTE via email to phendrix@georgiasouthern.edu.

Faculty Development

Awards: <https://academics.georgiasouthern.edu/cte/home/gs-faculty-dev-awards/>



Course Wrapper Conversation

At the end of the semester, join us for a **Course Wrapper Conversation** to reflect on your teaching experience in this past semester, set goals for personal teaching growth, and get started creating materials for the teaching section of the annual review and teaching portfolios.

An informal conversation will "wrap it up" to share tips and best practices with colleagues.

Statesboro: Thursday, November 29, from 11 AM - 12 PM, Cone Hall 2029

Liberty: Thursday, November 29, from 3 - 4 PM, Rm. 106

Armstrong: Monday, December 3, from 2:30 - 3:30 PM, Solms Hall 207



Governor's Teaching Fellowship

The submission deadline for the fellowship is 5:00 PM on January 2, 2019.

Please make sure to acquire your dean and department chair approval.

Click on the following link for more information: <https://academics.georgiasouthern.edu/cte/home/gf->



Happiness is a new book - Choose Yours!

What book would you like to read as part of a book discussion group? [Please complete this brief survey](#) to let us know what you are interested in reading next semester.

Share your book(s) with us by typing them in the "Your Suggestions" response option or you can select one of the CTE's recommendations.

Participation in the survey is not a commitment to participate in a book study. Dates and time of meetings for each title selected will be determined in January based on faculty availability.

Visit our website to learn more about [Book Discussions](#).



Open Lab - Course Support, Design, & Development

ARMSTRONG CAMPUS

This is a pilot program for Fall 2018.

Instructional Designers will be available in **Solms 207** for faculty seeking support for:

- developing instructional materials (video, audio, images)
- web accessibility (and best practices)
- learning activities
- Folio (and best practices)

November 13

12:00 - 4:00 PM

November 15

10:00 AM - 1:30 PM and 3:00 - 4:00 PM

Faculty from all campuses are encouraged to attend these Open Lab hours.



Registration Open: Spring 2019 Teaching Online Certificate (TOC) Program

Registration is open for the TOC Program in Spring 2019!

The program begins January 28, 2019.

The TOC Program certifies faculty to deliver and design online courses at GSU. The program consists of three parts: a seven-week online workshop, a four-week course development practicum, and two face-to-face technical training workshops. The estimated time commitment is 36 hours.

For more details, see the [TOC page](#) on our website.



Event Registration Notice & Instructions

Please make sure to register for any and all of our workshops and events. Events may be cancelled if at least 5 participants are not registered.

To register for the CTE's events:

1. Go to **GoSignMeUp** (the University Training Site) at training.georgiasouthern.edu or follow any of our registration links we provide.
2. Sign in as a **student** using your Georgia Southern credentials.
3. Find workshops or events you'd like to attend.
4. Once you have selected the course(s) you'd like to register for, click on the "**Add to Cart**" button. There is no fee attached to these workshops.
5. To complete registration, click on the "**Checkout**" button.



Register Here for Upcoming CTE Workshops & Training

Search "FOLIO" in GoSignMeUp to show all of our November events.

Events from November 12 - November 30

Register by clicking on the button above.

Tuesday, November 13

Folio Foundation - Assignments

10 - 11 AM

COE 2151 (Statesboro)

Wednesday, November 14

Folio Foundation - Quizzes

10 - 11 AM

COE 2151 (Statesboro)

Course Reflection (OIE)

2:30 - 3:30 PM

Russell Union 2042 (Statesboro)

Thursday, November 15

Folio Foundations - Discussions

10 - 11 AM

COE 2151 (Statesboro)

Course Reflection (OIE)

2 - 3 PM

Solms Hall 207 (Armstrong)

Tuesday, November 20

Folio Foundation - Build a Learning Module

10 - 11:30 AM

COE 2151 (Statesboro)

Wednesday, November 21

Folio Foundation - Gradebook & Grading

10 - 11 AM

COE 2151 (Statesboro)

Wednesday, November 28

Folio Foundation - Build A Learning Module

10 - 11:30 AM

COE 2151 (*Statesboro*)

Thursday, November 29

Statesboro: Course Wrapper

11 AM - 12 PM

Cone Hall 2029 (*Statesboro*)

Liberty: Course Wrapper

3 - 4 PM

Liberty Campus, Rm 106

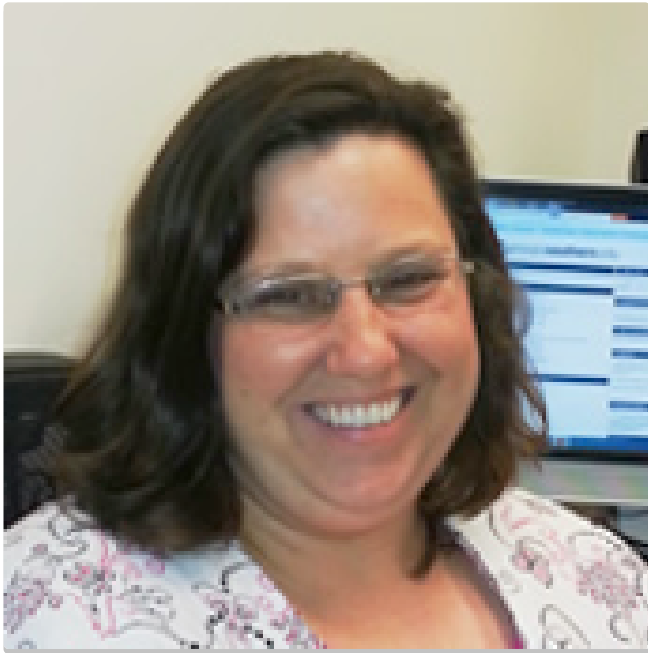


Meet the Staff

Kandi Odom Cooper, Instructional Designer

Hi, I am Kandi Odom Cooper. I have worked in education for the last 18 years within various sectors whether accreditation, assessment, compliance, curriculum planning, and instruction. I am currently an instructional designer at the CTE where I assist faculty in professional development, improving their online courses through the use of best practices, pedagogical approaches, technology, and general continuous improvement for online course design. I enjoy interacting with faculty and learning from you all about the various methods of executing your classes the most. As a life-long learner, I welcome new tips and techniques on improving my own teaching.

When I am away from work, I enjoy spending time with my family and friends, learning how to sew, and driving a tractor while interacting with nature.



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