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FACULTY CENTER NEWSLETTER

February, 2023

Do you speak SoTL?

Georgia Southern is one of the leading institutions in the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL), and during the month of February we celebrate SoTL research in an annual international conference known as **SoTL Commons**.

Georgia Southern is also one of the few institutions worldwide that houses both an international SoTL conference and an international, peer-reviewed journal for SoTL - **ijSoTL**.

Read more below and see how you, too, can speak SoTL!

ij-SoTL is an open, double-blind peer reviewed electronic journal that serves as a forum for research on SoTL and its applications in higher ed. With over **19,546** institutions worldwide accessing its articles, and more than **775,000** papers downloaded, the journal has achieved international recognition and is continually growing in its field.

Here is a sampling of the journal's top 5 articles in clicks and downloads for the months of July to December, 2022:

1. *Effects of Inquiry-Based Learning on Students' Science Literacy Skills and Confidence.*
2. *Learning Outcomes in an Online vs Traditional Course.*
3. *How and Why Digital Generation Teachers Use Technology in the Classroom.*
4. *The Impact of Reflective Practice on Teacher Candidates' Learning.*
5. *It's Just Nice Having a Real Teacher: Student Perceptions of Online vs Face-to-Face Instruction.*

In order for us to keep up with the journal's growth in submissions, views, and demands, we also need more reviewers. Visit the webpage to see how you can be a part of ij-SoTL.

[Click for information on ij-SoTL](#)

EVENTS

February 15-17, 2023, Savannah-GA

Remember, there's still time to register for the 2023 international conference SoTL Commons! Join presenters and participants from around the world and learn more about improving your teaching while also engaging in teaching and learning scholarship. Full conference details can be found on the **SoTL Commons Conference webpage**.

[Register for SoTL Commons](#)

February Workshops

We have a full list of workshops and professional development opportunities offered by the Faculty Center and our many partners lined up for February. Here is just a sampling:

- Practical Trauma-Informed Teaching
- Enhance your Lectures with Lightboard!
- Supporting Context and External Pieces for Grants.
- Build a Powerful Gradebook
- Grading Productivity
- Discussions Beyond Folio

And many more!

[Click for complete Training Schedule](#)

RESOURCES

Academic Success Center

The Academic Success Center provides tailored support services that help students learn how to enhance academic skill sets for maximum potential and success. Faculty, check out their **Campus Partner Resources** for information on how they can help your students with time management, studying and learning skills, and much more! Here is a word from our ASC partners:

*"Students often need help with basic note-taking, reading comprehension, developing a mindset for success, test-taking skills, and time management. To assist students in building these skill sets, we offer **academic skills workshops** (and 1:1*

consultation services, if applicable) throughout the semester - please know that these services are here if your students are struggling. Further, our team offers peer tutoring, peer mentoring, success coaching, semester toolkit resources, and more."

For more information and to discuss additional support please reach out to asc@georgiasouthern.edu.

Click for ASC information

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that you can create Lightboard videos to enhance your classes?

Lightboard videos allow faculty to present their content to students using the same familiar face-to-face writing and displaying techniques, but with a higher level of faculty presence not found in other lecture recording styles. Create course introductions, work out formulas, display images, or show real-time manipulatives and models while students see both you and your content.

Lightboard Studios in the Faculty Center at both Armstrong (Solms Hall) and Statesboro (Cone Hall) campuses provide faculty with self-service easy-to-use tools to record quality, professional videos with a click of a button. Videos are immediately available for uploading to YuJa or YouTube, where faculty can perform any desired clean-up editing. Additionally, the Faculty Center provides professional editing services for faculty who choose to hand off editing to us.

You can view a demonstration of how to make various light board videos at:

[Lightboard Scenes w/ controls.](#)

This video shows the controls and is for demonstration purposes only.

You can view the actual audience recording demonstrating various scenes at:

[Lightboard Scenes.](#)

Schedule a demonstration visit today!

Click for Resources

UPCOMING

The Faculty Center's Spring 2023 calendar has exciting new training opportunities. Don't forget to keep up with our page and events.

Faculty Center Calendar