LMS Mentor Faculty and Pilot Faculty, Spring-Summer-Fall 2024

Mentor-and-Pilot Faculty: The LMS Implementation Committee in collaboration with the Stearns Center is seeking 15-20 faculty members across all disciplines and faculty types to become LMS mentors starting Spring 2024. Focusing on a train-the-trainer approach, this program will provide faculty with advanced training in the new LMS platform in return for their commitment to piloting at least one course in Summer or Fall 2024 and guiding colleagues in adopting the new LMS platform. Faculty who are only available to pilot in Summer 2024 are also welcome to apply.

Who Should Apply:
- Faculty comfortable with basic functions in any current LMS and interested in online learning environment design, including
  - Faculty from any appointment type/level, and any discipline
  - Faculty who have designed and taught asynchronous online courses in any LMS
  - Faculty who use an LMS as a key environment for learning in flipped or hybrid courses
  - Faculty who use an LMS primarily to support in-person courses
- Faculty willing to support peers in creating accessible, supportive LMS environments that enable online, hybrid, and/or in-person learning

Mentor Responsibilities for Spring 2024 (3-5 hours/week):
- Complete training in online learning environment design, peer mentoring strategies, and the new LMS
- Provide feedback to the Stearns Center team on LMS resources and workshops
- Develop, share, and pilot an exemplary course in the LMS
- Advise and support faculty in LMS migration & effective LMS use
- Provide helpful feedback by reviewing mentees' course sites
- Direct mentees to training materials and collaborate on workshops
- Troubleshoot issues and brainstorm solutions to LMS challenges

Mentor Benefits:
- Make a significant contribution toward college-/university-level service
- Be among the first to access the new LMS platform and interface
- Get a head start on migrating your courses before the full LMS launch
- Join a community of faculty innovators and pioneers in online/hybrid education
- Receive a stipend of $2,000 per Fall and Spring semester for a two- or three-term commitment (mentor only)

Pilot-Only Faculty: The LMS Implementation Committee & Stearns Center also seek faculty teaching in Summer 2024 who would like to be part of the limited, guided, feedback-focused pilot program during the opening term for the LMS.

Who Should Apply:
- Faculty with at least one confirmed course in Summer 2024
- Faculty comfortable with basic functions in any current LMS and interested in online learning environment design, including
  - Faculty from any appointment type/level, and any discipline
  - Faculty who have designed and taught asynchronous online courses in any LMS
  - Faculty who use an LMS as a key environment for learning in flipped or hybrid courses
  - Faculty who use an LMS primarily to support in-person courses

Pilot Responsibilities for Summer 2024
- Complete training in the new LMS
- Provide occasional feedback to the Stearns Center team on LMS implementation and resources

Pilot Benefits:
- Be among the first to access the new LMS platform and interface
- Get a head start on migrating your courses before the full LMS launch
- Join a community of faculty innovators and pioneers in online/hybrid education

For all Positions: Apply by January 10, 2024

Complete the online form, including information about your experiences teaching with an LMS, information about the course you would like to use as a primary pilot, and a brief statement about how you would contribute to the success of the LMS Implementation Program. For more information, contact Stearns Center.