

# Teaching and Learning Commons

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# Education Initiative

## Improve Student Engagement!

### *Why*

- increased academic success & retention
- increased integration of acad. & social self

### *How*

advance teaching & learning

# Teaching and Learning Commons

## Synergy – Coordination - Dual Focus

guiding principles:

- fragmented approach to teaching and learning weakens efficacy
- teaching and learning are integrally intertwined
- education research and practice are mutually enriching

→ systems-level structure within Academic Affairs

# TLC Centers

Center for Engaged Teaching

Center for Engaged Learning



# CET: Center for Engaged Teaching

## *Advancing Teaching Excellence*

- promotes and provides faculty and TA training in scholarly teaching
  - delivers ongoing teaching support and feedback
  - connects educational research with practice
- serves as a clearinghouse for instructional technology activities

# Staged Implementation

## Providing Target Support and Building Capacity:

- Current Center for Teaching Development Staff
  - Associate Director: Peter Newbury
  - Language Program for International Instructors:  
Martha Stacklin and Sarah Carvalho
- Director search – about to be advertised
- Three Associate Director positions – to be recruited
- Program Assessment Specialist - about to be advertised

# Community Engagement – Community Network

***Faculty*** - Change Agents

***Academic Departments*** - Locus of Change

- vital that the Commons and faculty work together closely
- **“troops on the ground”** play a central role in Commons activities

# Commons Structure

## *Connecting & Integration*

- Senior Council
- Departmental Faculty Liaison
- Associate Directors of CET



# Center for Engaged Learning

## *Supporting Student Success*

### ***Establish Key Components:***

- Writing & Communication Center
- Tutorial Support
- Academic Success Program

### ***Create Tools & Support Systems for Engaged Learning:***

access to and engagement in educational opportunities

# Physical Home of The Commons

Geisel Library

**Questions?**

# Advancing Student Success

## REAL Tools

Discover

Do

Capture

Share

# Discover & Do

**Research Experiences and Applied Learning  
Opportunities  
REAL Portal**



# Academic and Professional Identity Development

## ☐ University Registrar Validation

- Enhanced Electronic Transcript
- Co-Curricular Record

## ☐ Online Portfolio

Prospective employers, graduate programs, professional schools, academic advisors...

**Portfolium**

**Linked in**