

Welcome to the DFI February Faculty Newsletter!

We hope that you had a smooth start to the Spring semester. In this month's newsletter we are excited to share some exciting events that DFI has coming up in the coming weeks.

The DFI Media Team will be hosting an exciting faculty orientation in Macy studio where you can take a tour of the podcasting and recording stations that are available for faculty use. <u>RSVP below</u>.

We hope you have a wonderful month and thank you for reading!

& What's New?

1. Exploring the New Tool in your Canvas course:

Ally for Teachers College: Fixing Files in your Canvas Course

One of the main uses in Canvas is uploading and sharing files with your students. In today's newsletter we would like to share with you <u>a brief 5-minute video tutorial</u> on how to fix files within your Canvas course using Ally, the Canvas course accessibility tool.

FOR TEACHERS COLLEGE

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FIXING FILES IN YOUR CANVAS COURSE



If you would like to learn how Ally can help to improve the accessibility of other elements in your course, you can watch <u>DFI's 3-minute video introduction to Ally</u>, follow our <u>Ally DIY resources</u>, or open a <u>DFI ticket</u>.

2. Macy Studio Faculty Orientation: Tuesday, February 7 @ 1:30 pm

Come see what's possible in the redesigned Macy Studios in Macy 259 with the Digital Futures Institute!

Take a tour and learn about our podcasting and webcam recording stations in Studio B, where anyone in the TC community can sign up for "<u>Open Studio Hours</u>" for self-driven work with the help of a DFI staff member. And take a look at our full service set-up in Studio A where you can put in a request for **DFI's support** for high quality video productions.

If you have any questions or would like to put in a request for DFI support please <u>open up a ticket</u> and we will contact you.

See you there!

RSVP Today! 🛛



Upcoming Faculty PD «-----



Tech Playground No-Code programming Wednesday, February 1 @ 11:00 am

Russell Hall 5th Floor Mixed Use-Space

Come play with various no-code platforms and applications to learn about computational thinking and programming through tinkering with real world applications, for instance, solving puzzles, controlling a drone, programming a drawing robot, or training an AI self-driving car. No coding experience is required. Space is limited so make sure to sign up.

TECH PLAYGROUND: NO CODE PROGRAMMING

LEARN ABOUT COMPUTATIONAL THINKING AND PROGRAMMING USING VARIOUS NO-CODE PLATFORMS



Register 🛛



Tech Tuesdays: Getting to know Google Docs Tuesday, February 7 @ 11:00 am

Russell Hall 5th Floor Mixed Use-Space & Online Via Zoom Tech Tuesdays highlights key platforms that will help better engage connection within your courses. This week, we will look closer into the Google Suite: Docs. We will explore different elements and capabilities to enhance learning and productivity!



Immersive Experience Club Wednesday, February 8 @ 12:00 pm

experience with VR is required.

Smith Learning Theater - Russell Hall 4th Floor

Come try out a wide range of VR applications and engage in discussions about how this technology can be leveraged for teaching and learning. The club is open to faculty and students at TC.

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Tech Playground: Artificial Intelligence Tuesday, March 1 @ 11:00 am

Russell Hall 5th Floor Mixed Use-Space

Have you heard all the buzz about artificial intelligence (AI) tools, like ChatGPT, that automatically generate text, images, and audio based on a prompt you enter? Drop by the AI Tech Playground and try out some of the tools for yourself.





----> Technology Corner

DFI would like to hear from you!

Have you been using ChatGPT or other AI (artificial intelligence) tools with your students in class? Have you redesigned lessons or assignments to integrate AI tools into your class?

Open up a ticket with DFI to share you innovations with us.

Interesting resources about Artificial Intelligence:

- <u>Considerations for AI Tools in the Classroom (Center for Teaching & Learning, Columbia University)</u>
- Generative AI & the College Classroom (Center for Engaged Pedagogy, Barnard College).



Update on Grace Dodge Hall 4th & 5th Floor Classrooms

Media Services and Facilities are working hard to continue updating the Grace Dodge 4th and 5th Floor classrooms. We would like to share a few videos and instructions on how to use the classroom monitors and the newly installed Apple TVs.

- <u>Turning on the classroom displays</u>
- Monitors not displaying classroom computer
- <u>Separating the classroom monitors</u>

Also, check out the written instructions for Grace Dodge Hall 4th and 5th floor classrooms.

Any questions you have about the classroom technology please contact Media Services by emailing: <u>ServiceDesk@tc.columbia.edu</u>

