The Office of the Provost is excited to offer grants for Summer Team Impact Projects (STIP) for creative work. Registration is required, please see the National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity—will lead a conversation about Advancement in the Office of Faculty Affairs and Development and a coach for the AAPI—Asian, Asian American, Pacific Islander Faculty. Feel free to contact Wendy Mann (qateam@gmu.edu) for more information, please go to the Office of the Provost’s event page to learn more and to register.

Challenges and Opportunities:

In this conversation, Dr. Aurora Chang—Director of Faculty Development and Career Programs—will share the results of a survey and design an action plan for the home department. The workshop will close by offering faculty some time to implement one of the strategies they have learned about.

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Online Course Quality: Essential Elements

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WAC Events:

Also this month:

- Proctoring exams with HonorLock. Proctored testing is the most secure method for assessing student work. Learn more about proctoring exams online with Honorlock. November 10 | Online | 2:30-3:30pm | Webinar
- Anti-Racist and Inclusive Teaching (ARIT) workshop. This workshop will bring together faculty from across campus in a live and virtual setting to address different issues of inclusion. Friday, December 2, 2022.
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