

# WESTCONNECT

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Each year, West welcomes a group of outstanding new faculty to our academic community. **West Connect** includes events for new and tenure-track faculty to provide information and resources; opportunities to expand perspectives by interacting and exchanging ideas with peers; and workshops relating to practical topics, instructional strategies, and implications for teaching.

West Connect is intended primarily for new and tenure-track faculty, but all faculty are welcome. Faculty are eligible for Flex Credit for workshop attendance.

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## West Connect: Campus Orientation

Office of Teaching & Learning | August 22 | 9:30-11:00 am | HLRC-4CD

Join us for an orientation to the campus. Meet with key people from campus areas including Distance Learning, the Library, the Learning Resource Center, and more. Tour the new Student Services Building, and learn about the various services offered and available resources.

August						
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## Academic Accommodation

Betsy Regalado & Shalomon Duke | September 13 | 1:00-2:30 pm | SSB-414

This workshop is designed to give faculty members insight into the Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPP) accommodation process. In addition, legislation and mandatory accommodations will be discussed.

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## Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs): Back to the Basics

Todd Matosic | September 27 | 3:30-4:30 pm | HLRC-4E

The purpose of these working faculty sessions is to address our recent accreditation recommendations related to course SLOs. Current Program and Course SLOs will be reviewed to ensure that course objectives are more closely aligned with our existing outcomes. These sessions will further the creation of newly-worded course outcomes for all programs. The SLO Coordinator will supply

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Turn over for more workshops.

faculty with resources (examples of authentic outcomes) to refer to in order to effectively write these outcomes.

### Understanding the Evaluation Process

**October 2 | 2:00-3:00 pm | HLRC-4CD**

This workshop is for both tenure-track faculty and Division Chairs. The evaluation process will be reviewed including contract requirements and the online instructor evaluation process.

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### How to Survive Tenure in this Current Climate

**Charles “Buck” Stapleton | October 11 | 1:00-2:30 pm | PCR**

Learn about the tenure process from initial hiring through advancement in the probationary process. Topics will include the evaluation process, serving on committees, mentoring, professional responsibilities, best practices, academic rank advancement, the role of the AFT (faculty union) and the Academic Senate, academic freedom, handling student complaints, maintaining accurate rosters, developing a syllabus and instructional notes, and maintaining accurate records to present to the tenure review committee.

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### Faculty Matters: Essential Information from the Office of Instruction

**Office of Instruction Deans | November 8 | 1:00-2:30 pm | Winlock**

The Office of Instruction is one of the resources available to faculty. At this workshop, we will review Academic Affairs procedures and as well as discuss curriculum and the role of the Office of Instruction.

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### Tenure-Track Faculty Social

**West Administration | December 13 | 1:00-2:00 pm | HLRC-4CD**

Join us to recognize the completion of your semester at West. Tenure-track faculty, Division Chairs, and administrators are invited.

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