TAGG Meeting Minutes
December 1, 2015
12:00 PM (EST)

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Schools / Colleges represented: School of Education, College of Nursing and Health Professions, Le Bow, and College of Computing and Informatics

TAGG (Teaching Across Geography Group) is a newly developed university committee housed under the Online Learning Council (OLC); the inaugural meeting served as a venue for faculty across the university to discuss both substantive and policy-focused changes that need to occur to seamlessly include fulltime faculty working from a distance. TAGG is committed to promoting the viewpoint that fulltime faculty working from a distance offer the same value with respect to teaching, service, and research as our on campus colleagues.

Through much discussion the group framed TAGG as an action-orientated group committed to addressing and advancing issues related to (1) access, (2) inclusion, (3) visibility, and (4) raised consciousness across the University for all faculty working from a distance.

Action items:

Gauge where the eleven colleges are regarding faculty who work from a distance by developing and disseminating a survey to each of the OLC Online Fellows. The survey is intended to gather the following information:

- How each college defines faculty working from a distance
- College-level policies regarding faculty working from a distance
- Number of faculty currently working from a distance and how that is decided
- Procedures in place to provide faculty working from a distance access to department, school/college, and university meetings/events
- Level of readiness to support faculty from a distance

Kathleen Provinzano and Paul Thomas Clements (co-chairs) will create the survey within the next two weeks and distribute to the Online Fellows from each college.

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 5, 2015 (12:00 PM, EST)

Link to recorded session (December 1, 2015):

https://youtu.be/3liHN6MgWoU