

2026-2027

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

SEPTEMBER



September

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Wednesday, September 9	3:30PM – 5PM	CTL	Keys to Success: Year 1
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KEYS TO SUCCESS: YEAR 1

Wednesday, September 9 3:30-5PM / CTL

New Faculty Only

AI EXPLORER 1

Friday, September 11 1:30-3PM / CTL

Registration Closed

PODCAST CLUB 1

Friday, September 11 3:30-5PM / CTL

Registration Closed

MICROSOFT 365 FOR PRODUCTIVITY - WORK SMARTER, NOT HARDER

Tuesday, September 15 12:30-1:30PM / CTL

This interactive workshop helps faculty and staff reclaim time by making everyday academic work more efficient with Microsoft 365. Participants will explore practical strategies for improving communication, collaboration, file management, and information sharing while reducing administrative burden using the Microsoft Ecosystem. From communication and collaboration in Outlook and Teams, data collection using Forms, organization in OneDrive and Media Creation using Clipchamp, the Microsoft ecosystem at JU offers a wide variety of supportive solutions that will be explored.

Faculty will leave with a Productivity Toolkit with strategies they can apply immediately in different areas of their personal practice.

PRETENURE PORTFOLIO PREPARATION

Wednesday, September 23 3:30-4:30PM / CTL

Applying for tenure can be a daunting task. Fortunately, JU requires a formal Pre-Tenure Review to assist you at the midway point of your eligibility. Interfolio Portfolios for Pre-Tenure are due February 1st, 2027. Join us at the Center for Teaching and Learning to discuss the process, review the guidelines, and answer any questions you may have in advance of your submission. This session is recommended for tenure track faculty in their first, second, and third year.



AI EXPLORER 2

Friday, September 25 1:30-3PM / CTL

Registration Closed

DATA-DRIVEN TEACHING & LEARNING

Monday, September 28 3:30-4:30PM / CTL

Informed decisions rely on data—a principle that is well established in research. However, even for the most experienced instructors, how many teaching decisions are truly based on data collected from their own students? When offering feedback or suggestions, are we guided primarily by past experience, or by actual evidence of student performance? This talk introduces a tool within an online courseware designed to help instructors collect, analyze, and share student data effectively. During this talk, I will demonstrate the tool and share examples of student data analysis in general chemistry. Possible metacognitive uses of the data will be proposed. By integrating data-driven insights into everyday teaching, educators can make more informed instructional decisions and provide targeted support to their students.

ASSESSMENT WORKSHOP: PLANNING, INPUT & DATA REVIEW FOR 2026/2027

Wednesday, September 30 3:30-4:30PM / CTL

Join us for a hands-on workshop focused on the assessment process for the 2026/2027 academic year. We'll walk through how to effectively plan your assessments, input data into the system, and pull meaningful reports to support informed decision-making and continuous improvement. Ideal for faculty and staff involved in academic assessment and reporting.