




January 2024 Professional Development Calendar

DATE	TIME	VENUE	EVENT	PD HOURS
ON-DEMAND	SELF-PACED	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	<p>The Chronicle of Higher Ed – Virtual Learning Series. Browse recent and coming topics and join a discussion with national experts and leading practitioners. Timely and relevant live and virtual events regarding leadership, teaching and learning, finance and operations, and diversity/equity/ inclusion. Learn more and register here.</p>	1 HOUR SESSIONS
				
ON-DEMAND	SELF-PACED	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	<p>NISOD On-Demand – NISOD provides budget-friendly, high-quality, and faculty-focused programs and resources for community and technical colleges. For over 40 years, NISOD’s customer-focused approach has helped align our wide array of benefits with the needs of our members. Learn more and register here.</p>	1 HOUR SESSIONS
				
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2024	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Vernon College, Vernon Campus	<p>Spring 2024 Kick-Off – All Faculty and Staff. Annual event to introduce new staff and faculty, participate in professional development activities and get energized for the upcoming term. The kickoff offers an opportunity for awareness and updates regarding prior term accomplishments as well as policy and procedure updates relevant to the upcoming term. General Session in the morning, breakout sessions mid-morning, lunch provided. See the day’s agenda here.</p>	5 HOURS
				

WEDNESDAY,
JANUARY 10,
2024

2:00 – 3:00 PM



ONLINE
DEVELOPMENT

AAC&U – AI and Higher Education – Implications for Learning, Curricula, and Institutions - Few innovations have impacted higher education as deeply and swiftly as artificial intelligence has. Initially viewed simply as a threat to academic integrity, it's now clear that AI presents far greater challenges—and opportunities. Goldman Sachs has estimated that AI may replace 300 million full-time jobs. This rapid workforce evolution is creating demand for an accompanying evolution of higher education to meet new expectations. During this webinar, panelists will discuss the many ways higher education will be affected by artificial intelligence, including how AI will influence instruction, curricula, and institutions. They'll also suggest paths forward that can help you and your institution succeed in this new era. [Learn more and register here.](#)

1 HOUR
SESSION

THURSDAY,
JANUARY 11,
2024

10:00 – 11:00 AM



ONLINE
DEVELOPMENT

Beyond Bookshelves: The Role of Libraries in your Well-being – Join us for an engaging webinar featuring the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC), tailored for employees and retirees of state government and higher education institutions. Discover how your local library can support you and your overall well-being. In this session, TSLAC experts will guide you through the various ways libraries can be leveraged as dynamic tools for education, research, and relaxation. [Learn more and register here.](#)

1 HOUR
SESSION

THURSDAY,
JANUARY 25,
2024

1:00 – 2:00 PM

ONLINE
DEVELOPMENT



From Now to Next: The Decade-Long Journey of Generative AI in Higher Education – In today's society as well as in academia, the integration of Generative AI into our daily tasks and current pedagogies is no longer a distant vision. This webinar offers a pragmatic exploration of how Generative AI tools, such as ChatGPT, could affect curriculum development, transform classrooms, and enhance student experiences; provides practical applications of Generative AI, from streamlining daily tasks to guiding students' learning; As the educational landscape undergoes this pivotal shift, mastering the potential of Generative AI becomes not just advantageous, but essential. [Register here.](#)

1 HOUR
SESSION

Ongoing Volunteering Opportunities

DATE	TIME	VENUE	EVENT	PD HOURS
ONGOING	Mobile Pantry Schedule	1230 Midwestern Parkway Wichita Falls, TX 76302	Wichita Falls Area Food Bank – Since 1982, the Wichita Falls Area Food Bank has distributed food free of charge to the clients of charitable partner agencies and programs operating in 12 North Texas counties. The success of their mission depends upon the active compassion and participation of their supporters! Teams/departments are encouraged to volunteer together. To receive more information and volunteer, please complete the volunteer application.	3 HOURS



ONGOING

[Volunteer Schedule](#)



1300 Travis
St, Wichita
Falls, TX
76301

Faith Mission of Wichita Falls – The mission of Faith Mission is to “Provide Christ-centered programs and services that lead the homeless towards self-sufficiency.” Faith Mission serves the homeless through two shelters, Faith Mission and Faith Refuge. All services are made possible through the generosity of individuals, churches, businesses, and foundations. Faith Resale & Donation Center also returns profits to help with operating expenses of both shelters. [See the volunteer need here.](#) [Register yourself here.](#) [Register your departmental team here.](#)

3 HOURS

ONGOING

10:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Monday through Friday



1008 Burnett
Street Wichita
Falls, TX
76301

Meals on Wheels – Wichita Falls. The Kitchen serves over 850 seniors, homebound and disabled individuals each weekday Monday through Friday through their Meals on Wheels program. To continue this critical mission, Meals on Wheels of Wichita Falls needs volunteers to deliver meals. Loading and delivery take place between 10:30AM -12:30PM, and ideally, delivery is completed no later than 1:30PM. If you and/or your team/department would like to participate, please contact volunteer coordinator at 940.322.62320 [or complete the volunteer application here.](#)

3 HOURS