

ASAC Academic Affairs Update

Rebuilding Academic Innovation



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What is Academic Innovation?

Support Structure for Online, Hybrid, and Technology-Enhanced Course Development

- Learning Management System
- Course Design and Redesign
- Universal Design
- Media Production
- Faculty Development



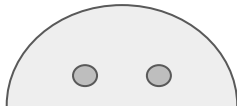
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Where are we now?



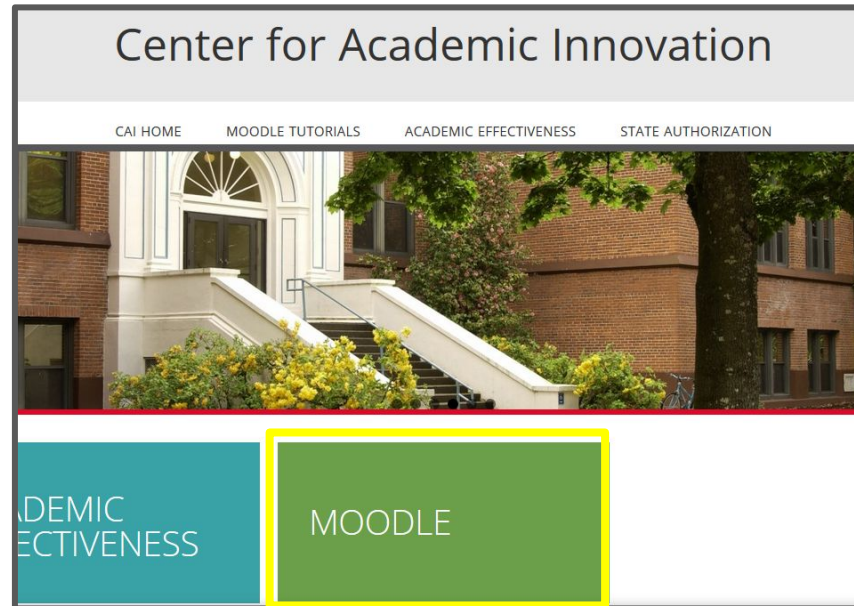
1 FTE LMS SUPPORT



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Why is this important?

WOU: SALEM

In order to serve working adults, WOU Salem courses will be offered in *hybrid* format

Online Degree Pathways

In order to offer fully-online undergraduate degrees, WOU must create an online pathway through General Education



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SUPPORTING ALL ONLINE, HYBRID,
TECHNOLOGY ENHANCED
PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Current Status

Director of Academic Innovation
(Zhang line from CAI)

- Signed Offer Letter 1/26/2020; Starting 5/1/2020

Instructional Designer 1
(Carter line from Library/DMC)

- Failed search for 2+ years experience
- New search posting mid-February

Space/Staff Consolidation

- Library DMC Space
- Library Tech 3 (O'Neill)



UBAC Requests in Progress

Canvas LMS

Our self-hosted Moodle environment does not support our current scale and is becoming a major barrier to forward progress.

Instructional Designer #2

One instructional designer is insufficient to support our existing needs, much less the imminent need to develop hybrid courses to be offered through WOU:SALEM.

Other Emerging Needs

- General Education Online Pathway Coordinator
- Expansion of expertise among Academic Innovation staff
 - Online lab development
 - Community-building in online environments
- Funding for support services to ensure online student success (disability services, tutoring, tutorials, library materials, etc.)
- Proctoring Services
- Faculty development and support to ensure the quality of WOU online courses meets national standards

Thank You!

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