

Academic Affairs Faculty Senate

TEACHING RESOURCE CENTER FAM 871.4

I. Purpose and Goals.

Within the general framework of the Faculty Professional Development program (FSD 88-11.R1), the purpose of the Teaching Resource Center is to establish a formal structure to promote and support innovation in undergraduate and graduate classroom instruction. The goals shall include the following:

- A. To serve as a center where faculty can seek assistance in the development of effective teaching styles and strategies.
- B. To serve as the central focus for all training of faculty in the use of technology for classroom instruction.
- C. To serve as a center for faculty to acquire knowledge and skills in such areas as multiculturalism, internationalization of the curriculum, cooperative learning, assessment, etc.

II. Activities. The activities of the Teaching Resource Center shall include the following:

- A. Arrange and coordinate seminars, workshops, lectures and discussion groups which are designed to enhance faculty knowledge and skills in all areas of classroom instruction.
- B. Develop and coordinate a structured training program for faculty members in the use of technology in the classroom. Specifically, training designed to carry out distance learning instruction, to develop multimedia materials, and to familiarize the faculty with the electronic classroom.
- C. Arrange and coordinate efforts to provide mentoring to faculty in the improvement of classroom instructional performance.
- D. Collect and distribute resource materials on teaching improvement and innovations.
- E. Establish and coordinate the activities of a teaching academy or its equivalent, as approved by the Instructional Quality Committee, to help promote campus involvement

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in teaching-related initiatives, and to enhance liaison between TRC and colleges.

III. Organizational Structure.

The activities of the Teaching Resource Center shall be directed by a faculty member appointed by the Vice President for Academic Affairs/Provost following appropriate consultation with the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate. The Director shall report to the Associate Provost for Academic Personnel.