

# 2025 New Faculty Orientation

## Monday, August 18, 2025

In person | At [Manuel Pacheco Integrated Learning Center \(ILC\)](#)  
1500 E University Blvd, Tucson, AZ 85721

### AGENDA

#### Breakfast & Tabling | ILC 141 & Courtyard

8:00-9:00 AM Check-in and Continental Breakfast  
*Grab & Go Breakfast*



*Compliments of the University of Arizona Campus Store*

Tabling: Meet your campus partners!

- [Arizona Arts](#)
- [Campus Community Connections](#)
- [Campus Recreation](#)
- [Faculty Portfolio](#) | University Information Technology Services
- [Flandrau Science Center & Planetarium](#) | Department of Astronomy
- [Global Experiential Learning Programs](#) | CIELO
- [Office of Nationally Competitive Scholarships](#)
- [Office of Sustainability](#)
- [Research Development Services](#)
- [THINK TANK](#)
- [University Analytics & Institutional Research](#)
- [University of Arizona Libraries](#)

#### Welcome | ILC 120

9:00-9:05 AM Welcome  
*Dr. Andrea Romero, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs*

9:05-9:20 AM Native American Blessing  
*Levi Esquerra, Special Advisor for Native American Advancement & Tribal Engagement*  
*Christina C. Bell Andrews, JD, Executive Director, Wassaja Carlos Montezuma Center for Native American Health*  
*Verlon M. Jose, Tohono O'odham Nation Chairman*

9:20-9:30 AM Welcome from the President of the University of Arizona  
*Dr. Suresh Garimella, University Distinguished Professor*

9:30-9:35 AM The Meaning of "Bear Down"  
*Stella Wesson, Nursing Major, Honors Student*

9:35-10:00 AM Collaborative Learning: Faculty Group Activity  
*Dr. Paul Blowers, Distinguished Professor, Chemical & Environmental Engineering*

10:00-10:10 AM Welcome from the University of Arizona Campus Store  
*Yadhira L. Acevedo, Coordinator for Outreach and Community Engagement*  
*Annie North, Retail Manager, Book Division*

10:10-10:15 AM Faculty Senate Officers Welcome  
*Dr. Leila Hudson, Chair of the Faculty*  
*Mona L. Hymel J.D., Vice Chair of the Faculty*

10:15- 10:20 AM Raffle  
*Tara Chandler, Assistant Director, MENTOR Institute, Faculty Affairs*

10:20 – 10:25 AM *Break*

**Please go to breakout sessions**

### **Morning Breakout Sessions**

10:30-11:00 AM **SESSION A**  
**Starting Off on the Right Step for Faculty Success** | Room: ILC 119  
*Dr. Andrea Romero, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs*

**Student Success** | Room: ILC 112  
Student Success & Retention Innovation  
*Dr. Nick Cenegy, Associate Director of THINK TANK*  
*Jennifer L. Ludwig, Director, Strategic Interventions and Data Management*

**The Importance of Mentoring** | Room: ILC 125  
Mentorship through Effective Networks, Transformational Opportunities, and Research (MENTOR Institute)  
*Dr. Bryan Carter, Professor, Africana Studies | Faculty Director, MENTOR Institute*  
*Tara Chandler, Assistant Director, Faculty Mentoring Initiatives*

11:05-11:35 AM **SESSION B**  
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11:40-12:10 AM

**SESSION C**

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**12:10 AM-12:20 PM**

**Break**

**Please go to ILC 120 for mid-day message & lunch pick up**

**Welcome to your Arizona Community | ILC 120**

12:20-12:25 PM

Mid-day message

*Dr. Andrea Romero, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs*

12:25-12:30 PM

Research and Partnerships

*Dr. Tomás Díaz de la Rubia, Senior Vice President for Research & Partnerships*

12:30-12:35 PM

Campus Safety

*Chris Olson, Assistant Vice President and Chief of Police*

12:35-12:40 PM

Welcome from the Faculty Affairs Team

- *Dr. Andrea Romero, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs*
- *Dr. Dalila Ayoun, Faculty Director, Faculty Affairs*
- *Dr. Adrián Arroyo-Pérez, Associate Director, Faculty Programs*
- *Tara Chandler, Assistant Director, Faculty Mentoring Initiatives*
- *Kimberly Rogan, Program Manager, Faculty Affairs*

12:40-12:45 PM

Raffle

*Tara Chandler, Assistant Director, MENTOR Institute*

**Lunch | Pick-up in ILC 120**

1:00-2:00 PM

Lunch with your College Dean

*See your assigned sessions sheet for your college-designated lunch room.*

**2:10-2:20 PM**

**Break**

**Please go to afternoon sessions**

## Afternoon Breakout Sessions

2:20-2:50 PM

### SESSION D

**U of A Benefits Overview** | Room: ILC 119

Human Resources

*Chris Dominiak, Assistant Director of Benefits, Human Resources*

**Work-life Balance & Wellness** | Room: ILC 112

Life and Work Connections

*Chad Myler, Assistant Director of Benefits, Human Resources*

**University of Arizona Land Grant Mission Panel** | Room: ILC 125

- *Thomas Harris, Senior Director, Campus Community Connections*
- *Dr. Ricardo Valerdi, University Distinguished Outreach Professor, Department of Systems and Industrial Engineering*
- *Dr. Michele Walsh, Associate Extension Director, Family, Consumer, and Health Science Programs, Arizona Cooperative Extension*

2:55-3:25 PM

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3:30-4:00 PM

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**Please go to the Main Library**

## New Faculty Reception | Main Library

4:00-5:00 PM

*Reception*



*Hors d'oeuvres are Compliments of Tech Launch Arizona*

Musical Performance

*Ana Maria Iordache, Doctor of Musical Arts student, Guitar Performance, School of Music*



***Musical Performance Compliment of Arizona Arts***

4:15-4:20 PM

Introductions

*Dr. Andrea Romero, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs*

4:20-4:25 PM

University of Arizona Provost Welcome

*Dr. Patricia Prelock, Provost and Academic Chief Officer*

4:25-4:28 PM

Welcome from University of Arizona Libraries Dean

*Dr. Shan Sutton*

4:28-4:33 PM

Welcome from Arizona Arts Dean

*Dr. Hasan Elahi*

4:33-4:36 PM

Tech Launch

*Paul Tumarkin, Assistant Director, Marketing and Communications*

4:36-4:40 PM

Thank you

*Dr. Adrián Arroyo Pérez, Associate Director for Faculty Affairs*

## Virtual Faculty Resource Fair

Zoom | Tuesday, August 19, 2025

### Teaching & Learning | 9:00 – 12:00 PM

#### Teaching and Learning, University Center for Assessment, Teaching, and Technology (UCATT)

9:00-9:15 AM	Welcome, session overview, Teaching Hub <i>Dr. Lisa Rezende, Director, Teaching and Learning, University Center for Assessment, Teaching, and Technology (UCATT)</i> <i>Dr. Amor Moran, Director, Instructional Technologies</i> <i>Janet Smith, Director of Operations and Communications</i>
9:15-9:55 AM	New-ish instructor panel: What do you wish you had known when you started teaching at University of Arizona? <i>Dr. Nicole Leitner, Molecular and Cellular Biology</i> <i>Dr. Megan Corty, Neurosciences</i> <i>Dr. Marcella Hangen, Disability and Psychoeducational Studies</i> <i>Dr. James Rashan, Management and Organizations</i> <i>Dr. Vasiliki (Vicki) Karanikola, Chemical and Environmental Engineering</i>
9:55-10:20 PM	Annual Review <i>Dr. Andrea Romero, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs</i> <i>Robbie MacPherson, Manager, Portfolio-Research Technologies</i>
10:20-10:30 PM	Break
10:30-11:10 PM	University of Arizona Teaching Partners <i>Carsen Kipley, Disability Resource Center</i> <i>Dr. Christine Salvesen, Student Success and Retention Innovation</i> <i>Dr. Kirsten Limesand, Graduate College</i> <i>Dr. Analía Cuevas, Dean of Students Office</i> <i>Cheryl Casey, University Libraries</i> <i>Hector Reyes, Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)</i>
11:10-11:40 PM	Brightspace, the Basics <i>Dr. Nadia Hamrouni, Senior Instructional Technologist</i> <i>Lara Tarantini, Senior Instructional Technologist</i> <i>Dr. Amor Moran, Director, Instructional Technologies</i>
11:10-11:40 PM	Finding your Teaching Community <i>Kate Bunton, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs</i>
11:40-12:00 PM	Lightning reflections and next steps <i>Dr. Lisa Rezende, Director, Teaching and Learning, University Center for Assessment, Teaching, and Technology (UCATT)</i>
12:00-1:30 PM	Lunch Break

**Come back to zoom at 1:30 pm**

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### Research & Partnerships | 1:30 – 3:00 PM

1:30-1:35 AM	Opening Remarks <i>Dr. Andrea Romero, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs</i>
1:35-2:05 PM	Introduction to the Office of Research and Partnerships <i>Dr. Sangita Judge, Vice President of Research Operations</i>
2:05-2:15 PM	Research Development <i>Kim J. Patten, Associate Vice President, Research Development</i>
2:15-2:25 PM	Tech Launch Arizona <i>Doug Hockstad, Associate Vice President, Tech Launch Arizona</i>
2:25-2:30 PM	Closing Remarks <i>Dr. Adrián Arroyo-Pérez, Associate Director, Faculty Programs, Office of the Provost</i>