Food for Thought in Faculty Advancement
A Monthly Series for NYUAD Faculty

Fall 2020
FOOD FOR THOUGHT: A Series for Faculty Advancement at NYU Abu Dhabi

This virtual monthly series is designed for faculty members at NYUAD. The topics are related to career development and the sessions are intended to provide information, skills, and guidance on a range of issues that impact faculty career advancement. Sessions also provide an opportunity for faculty to engage with campus leadership, administrators, and peers on topics relevant to thriving as a faculty member at NYUAD.

All sessions are 90 minutes via Zoom starting at 1:15pm in Abu Dhabi | 5:15pm in Shanghai | 5:15am in NY
Space is limited and faculty are requested to RSVP on the intranet: https://nyuad.nyu.edu/fdd/
Questions? Please contact Kirsten Edepli at nyuad.facultydevelopment@nyu.edu

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THE NYUAD STUDENT EXPERIENCE
SEPTEMBER 20, 2020 | 1:15-2:45pm | Via Zoom!
Michael Martinez, Associate Dean of Students
Bryan Waterman, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Development
NYUAD Students (Current and Alumni)

What do students wish the faculty knew about them, but fear they don't? Where do our pedagogical efforts at diversity and inclusion best meet or sometimes fail to meet their needs? What commitments outside the classroom contribute most to their NYUAD years? Engage in a moderated conversation with current students and alumni in an effort to move beyond stereotypes and generate understanding of the holistic student experience. Participants will be provided with ample time to ask questions.

HOW TO THRIVE AS A FACULTY MEMBER AT NYUAD
OCTOBER 25, 2020 | 1:15-2:45pm | Via Zoom!
Kirsten Edepli, Vice Provost for Faculty Development and Diversity; Professor of Biology
Martin Klimke, Vice Provost for Academic Policies and Governance; Program Head of Literature & Creative Writing; Associate Professor of History
Bryan Waterman, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Development
Nancy Gleason, Director for the Hilary Ballon Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning; Visiting Assistant Professor of Practice
Sehamuddin Galadari, Senior Vice Provost of Research; Managing Director, Research Institute; Professor of Biology

This interactive workshop overviews the resources at NYUAD and across the NYU global network that support the career development and advancement of faculty members at every stage of their career. Topics include excelling in teaching, research and service to the university and to the discipline, work-life balance and personal perspectives on what it means to thrive. A panel presentation with members of the administration who work to support faculty advancement and materials detailing these resources will be provided, followed by peer-to-peer discussion about strategies for thriving as a faculty member. Discussion will focus on developing and utilizing strategies and resources so that in your work as a faculty, you can not just survive, but thrive in the midst of global upheaval.

FACULTY AS LEADERS
NOVEMBER 22, 2020 | 1:15-2:45pm | Via Zoom!
Natasha Putnins, Director, Learning and Organizational Development
Eric Hamilton, Lecturer of Political Science; Chair, Faculty Council Steering Committee; Pablo Hernandez-Lagos, Assistant Professor of Economics; other NYUAD faculty TBD

Faculty members are asked to lead in the classroom, in their units at the university level and as active members of their discipline. These leadership roles require distinct skills as well as a vision for aligning leadership practices with personal and institutional values. However, many faculty find the deep expertise gained through years of work as teachers and scholars is insufficient preparation for the leadership roles they may evolve to as their career advances. Limited exposure to training and education in the interpersonal and strategic skills that are needed to be effective, value based leaders leaves many new and aspiring faculty leaders with questions about their leadership capacity. This session will provide a platform for faculty to explore the benefits that taking on leadership roles at NYUAD can bring, and will review some core skills for emerging leaders. Faculty who complete this session will emerge with an understanding of inclusive and effective leadership in higher education.

GET TOGETHER! STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESSFUL COLLABORATIONS
DECEMBER, 2020 | Virtual & Asynchronous
Lama Choufani, Research Ethics and Governance Manager
Sikha Sreenivasan Pallithazath, Research Ethics and Governance Manager
NYUAD Faculty members and their collaborators

Whether your research is intra- or inter-disciplinary, collaborations are effective pathways to advancing faculty scholarship. In many disciplines, collaborating is essential for success of research projects, and many faculty benefit from collaborative teaching. Building successful collaborations with colleagues on our own campus and with those across the globe requires skills beyond scholarship, including understanding global cultural norms and those of institutions and disciplines. This virtual platform will overview effective intercultural communication, awareness of ethical considerations in international settings and academic-industry partnerships. Discussion of how to have challenging conversations when the collaboration takes an unexpected turn and navigating pandemic-related restrictions will be discussed by experts from research ethics and by faculty across disciplines who have experience in navigating collaborations. Drawing on real life case studies, we will share best practices in establishing and maintaining productive and ethical collaborations.