

# ARC Academic Resources Conference 2026



January 12 - 16 | Office of Instructional Resources

MON 1/12	TUE 1/13	WED 1/14	THU 1/15	FRI 1/16
<b>9 - 9:50 am</b> Intro to Blackboard (Again!) <i>Magi Penner-Hiebert</i>	<b>9 - 9:50 am</b> Leveraging Honors: An Invitation to All Students <i>Chelsea Redger-Marquardt</i>	<b>9 - 9:50 am</b> Engaging Undergraduates in Research <i>Michael Birzer</i>	<b>9 - 9:50 am</b> Course Data Workshop* (For Deans, Chairs, and Professors) <i>Carolyn Speer, Rachel Bastian</i>	<b>9 - 9:50 am</b> No Textbook Required: OAT, OER, and You <i>Heather Merchant</i>
<b>10 - 10:50 am</b> Get to Know AVA, Your AI Assistant <i>Rachel Bastian</i>	<b>10 - 10:50 am</b> Authentic Assessments in the age of AI <i>Carolyn Speer</i>	<b>10 - 10:50 am</b> Leveraging Peer Mentoring to Keep Students on Track <i>Sam Corcoran</i>	<b>10 - 10:50 am</b> Don't Guess, Experiment: Improving Courses Through Action Research <i>Carolyn Speer</i>	<b>10 - 10:50 am</b> From Insights to Action: Addressing Why Some Students Leave <i>WSU Retention Fellows</i>
<b>11 - 11:50 am</b> Course Video in Blackboard <i>Rachel Bastian</i>	<b>11 - 11:50 am</b> Mutual Mentoring: Building Collaborative Networks for Faculty Success <i>Moriah Beck</i>	<b>11 - 11:50 am</b> Accessibility Supports Student Success <i>Heather Merchant</i>	<b>11 am - 12:50 pm</b> Coding for Non-Coders: Creating Activities for Blackboard and the Web (2 hour workshop session) <i>Carolyn Speer</i>	<b>11 - 11:50 am</b> Planning and Developing Curriculum Around Outcomes <i>Magi Penner-Hiebert</i>
<b>12 - 12:50 pm</b> I Need Help Right Now! Open Blackboard Lab Time <i>OIR Staff</i>	<b>12 - 12:50 pm</b> So Many New Preps! Efficient Courses for Busy Professors <i>Carolyn Speer</i>	<b>12 - 12:50 pm</b> I Need Help Right Now! Open Blackboard Lab Time <i>OIR Staff</i>	<b>12 - 12:50</b> Open Lab Time <i>OIR Staff</i>	<b>12 - 12:50 pm</b> Annual Accessibility Training <i>Krystal Iseminger, John Jones</i>
<b>1 - 1:50 pm</b> Rethinking Student Transitions <i>Bryce Bunting, BYU</i> <i>Dallin Young, UGA</i>	<b>1 - 1:50 pm</b> Honorlock: Your Proctoring Solution <i>Rachel Bastian</i>	<b>1 - 1:50 pm</b> Join the Unicorn Revolution! What STABI Can Teach You About Feedback  <i>Rachel Bastian</i>	<b>1 - 1:50 pm</b> Designing Effective Surveys <i>Whitney Crager</i>	<b>Register to attend sessions (optional) to receive calendar invites!</b> <a href="https://wichita.edu/ARC26JanReg">wichita.edu/ARC26JanReg</a>
	<b>2 - 2:50 pm</b> Results from the VOLARÉ Survey of Faculty Perceptions of Research <i>Coleen Pugh, Rhonda Lewis</i> <i>Sara Mata</i>		* This session requires speial registration. Please visit the ARC website for more information	For session descriptions and more information, visit the January 2026 ARC Website: <a href="https://wichita.edu/ARC26Jan">wichita.edu/ARC26Jan</a>

Questions about Blackboard or other tech? Visit the come-and-go **Open Labs** Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday at noon!