Sharing Best Practices Webex Session
Interior Design
April 10, 2020   11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Participants:
Ginger Burton, Chattahoochee
Becky Kimmons, Chattahoochee
Phillip Myer, Athens
Donna Brinson, VPAA, Lanier
Jason Tanner, VPAA, Chattahoochee
Karen Howard, TCSG
Guest, Schurita Person, West Georgia

Karen welcomed everyone and explained the purpose of meeting, which is an open discussion for faculty to share best practices, challenges, and obtain suggestions from peers.

Open Discussion

Ginger Burton, Chattahoochee Tech

Tools that Ginger and Becky are using include **Collaborate** to conduct weekly live sessions. She just started using Collaborate in mid March. She and her students love it. They use **WebEx** for weekly program-wide Q&A, advisement, announcements, and tutoring (via office hours on WebEx). **Bookings** in MS 365. It is a calendar that links to the instructors' calendar. This allows students to book appointments (for phone calls or online). The instructors use Jabber to forward office calls to their cell phones. Some tips Ginger offered include: doing mock interviews via WebEx, coordinate with you college librarian to acquire eBook purchases that can be access in Galileo, and provide internship completion flexibility. For the current semester, they have offered students ample flexibility in drawing tools (for instance, hand drafting, CAD, etc.).

Phillip Myer, Athens Tech

Approximately, half of his internship students can complete the course. Those that aren't able to secure enough hours will be given an incomplete grade (with additional time in the year to finish). Although there is a great lab on campus, students aren't able to access it. The students are experiencing software issues as they utilize alternative software programs from home. The Interiors program requires more technology than many TCSG programs and when combined with the rural environment of his community, students have limited access to the Internet and program software. This has proven to be an incentive for students to develop their problem solving skills as they continue in the program. Jason Tanner, VPAA at Chattahoochee shared that his college is giving students until the end of the calendar year to convert an incomplete grade to a letter grade.

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