



Presentation Information

SRSU Brown Bags are hosted by the SRSU Office of Academic Affairs:

Contact SRSU Executive Vice President & Provost Dr. Bernie Canteñs at bernie.cantens@sulross.edu or call ext.8866

Contact SRSU INTL Vice President for Admin Services and COO Dr. Jorge Garza at jorge.garza@sulross.edu or call ext.5017

SRSU Dean's Update:

Our Dean of Humanities & Sciences, Dr. Sarah Roche, and our Dean of the Colleges of Graduate Studies and LASS, Dr. Laura Payne, will update us on academic areas across SRSU ALP & INTL. Contact Dean Roche at smoreman@sulross.edu or ext. 4837 & Contact Dean Payne at lbutler@sulross.edu or ext. 8524

SRSU OIT Update:

Our Director of OIT Operations, George Hernandez, and our OIT Information Security Specialist, Sarah Sheffield, will update us on Banner, security tips & more! Contact George Hernandez - gbernandez2@sulross.edu or ext. 3045 & contact Sarah Sheffield at sarah.sheffield@sulross.edu or ext. 8869.

For OIT support contact the Lobo Technology Assistance Center at: ltac@sulross.edu or call at 432-837-8888

SRSU Development/Advancement/Dual Credit Update:

Our INTL VP/COO Dr. Jorge Garza and our VP of Development and Advancement Dr. John Klingemann will give updates on exciting new developments in many SRSU areas. Contact Dr. John Klingemann at john.klingemann@sulross.edu or call ext.8145 / See above for Dr. Jorge Garza contact info.

SRSU Dual Credit website: <https://www.sulross.edu/dualcredit/>

SRSU Library Update:

Our Head of Library Systems & Access Mike Fernandez (Eagle Pass) will update us on new/current SRSU library projects and resources (esp the Eagle Pass library wing).

Contact Mike Fernandez at mx20wy@sulross.edu or call ext. 5035 / website: <https://library.sulross.edu/>

SRSU Current Grants Update & Student Success Update:

Our Executive Director of Sponsored Programs Kendall Craig and our Title V DHSI: Culture of Care Director of Student Services Cynthia Sifuentes will provide us a current overview of where all SRSU grants now stand on the Alp & INTL campuses. Contact Kendall Craig kcraig@sulross.edu or call ext. 8595 and contact Cynthia Sifuentes at cxs23la@sulross.edu or call ext. 5029

SRSU Communications Update:

Our Office of Communications Publicist Isis Cardenas will discuss the services offered for the INTL campuses.

Contact Isis Cardenas - maria.cardenas@sulross.edu ext.3040

Contact Media Specialist Bobby Greeson at robert.greeson@sulross.edu or call ext.8453 for SRSU video services.

SRSU Division of Online Programs and Distance Education (OPDE) Update:

Our Director of the Online Programs and Distance Education Division, Dr. Jennifer Haan, will update us on AI Awareness, the SRSU Quality Matters initiative & more. For more information: Contact Dr. Jennifer Haan at jennifer.haan@sulross.edu OPDE/SRSU Online Courses website: <https://www.sulross.edu/online/>

SRSU Instructional Services/Blackboard Ultra Support:

Reach out to one of our SRSU Instructional Designers this **fall** or **contact our 24/7 Online Support Desk** at blackboardsupport@sulross.edu & **you can call the support desk** toll-free anytime day or night at 888.837.6055

Questions about Ultra features? Contact SRSU Blackboard Support/ID - **Tim Parsons** - tim.parsons@sulross.edu

NEW SRSU Faculty Training Center – Alpine Campus BAB 319

For more information or to schedule virtual one-on-one or BAB 319 on-site training

Contact Rachel Carvajal - rcarvajal@sulross.edu

Digital Teaching Sessions By Appointment with our TSUS-SHSU IDs

Sign up for a “By Appointment” session with a Faculty Development team member! Schedule By Appointment sessions for yourself, your program, or even your entire department!

[Register for a By Appointment session TODAY!](#)

FOR MORE INFO AND RECORDED WEBINAR SESSIONS ON NEW ULTRA TOOL/FEATURES (AND FUTURE RELEASES): Visit our newly updated "**Teaching Online with Blackboard**" **Instructor Resource Site!** To access our "**Teaching Online with Blackboard**" **instructor resource site** within Blackboard, go to the SRSU Faculty Central module on Blackboard landing page and choose the “SRSU Faculty Central - Teaching Online with Blackboard” link from the menu. **In the TOWB course you will find the following resources:**

- **AI Design Assistant for Ultra – Guides & Resources**
- **What’s New in Ultra** – Ultra new features & tools info and release schedule
- **Bb Ultra Quickstart Guides, Blackboard Original & Ultra Help from A-Z**
- **Webinar Recordings** – In the "Webinar Recordings" folder you'll find the latest recorded Ultra webinars **including all of the latest recordings from our digital teaching webinars.**
 - **NEW SRSU Only**- Mastering Bb Gradebook for Faculty Success
 - **NEW** - Effective Assessment in the Age of AI
 - **NEW** - Title II Accessibility in Blackboard

AVAILABLE TO ALL SRSU FACULTY: SHSU-SRSU Spring 2026 Digital Educator Certification Cohort

PERFECT for designing a 2026 summer or Fall course in Ultra! Participants will engage in meaningful professional development focused on effective instructional technology, innovative course design, and practical strategies you can immediately apply in your classroom!

The Spring 2026 Cohort begins this Monday, February 16th! We are no longer able to offer a stipend for this training, but the Digital Educator Certification cohort provides high-quality learning experiences that will contribute to your ongoing growth as an educator.

If you are interested in joining the Spring 26 DEC cohort, please sign up using the link below, or on the Faculty Resource webpage (access from the SRSU Faculty Central module on Blackboard landing page).

<https://forms.monday.com/forms/052b984a2e0da5cda2c8ad3aa6908045?r=use1>

We would love to have you participate, and we look forward to learning and working together this spring!