Workshop: Becoming a Therapeutic Instructor  
**Presenter(s):** Lolo Mercado, Laura E. Molina, and Vanessa Bretado  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 8:00 - 8:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2117  
**Description:** Regardless of your role in life, there are nine personal characteristics that will provide high effectiveness in your student-instructor sessions. These nine characteristics correlate with helping versus hindering your students by providing a warm, supportive climate in your sessions. By implementing empathy, genuineness, respect, self-disclosure, immediacy, concreteness, confrontation, potency and self-actualization, instructors will promote an environment of support and challenge for the student that can lead to academic growth and encouragement. These highly effective characteristics can help with your student relationships as an instructor. Come and learn about the benefits of becoming a Therapeutic Instructor! **CB Credit:** #7

Workshop: Communication across the Curriculum: Communication Centers Now at a Campus Near You!  
**Presenter(s):** Eduardo R. Trevizo and Rebekah Bell  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 8:00 - 8:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2125  
**Description:** Communication skills are becoming a larger part of every degree plan and course of study. Come learn about a resource that is available to help students and faculty as they assign and work on Oral Communication projects. Communication Labs are happening at several EPCC campuses and are offered as a support to various student populations and faculty members. Come learn how you can utilize this resource and spread the word to your students. **CB Credit:** #3

Workshop: The Emergence of Isis in Historical Context  
**Presenter(s):** Norman D. Love  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 8:00 - 8:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Rio Grande Campus/A232  
**Description:** This workshop will focus on the rise of ISIS as a political, social, and cultural development within the context of world history. **CB Credit:** #3

Workshop: Take Action!  
**Presenter(s):** Mayra Cordero  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 8:00 - 9:30 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A1301  
**Description:** This workshop will empower you with the knowledge, tools, and resources to take informed health and environmental actions. In addition, there will be great door prizes from the EPCC Recycling Program that will encourage your actions. **CB Credit:** #11

Workshop: BIOL 1306/1307 Textbook Selection Committee Meeting  
**Presenter(s):** Dr. Carolina Chianelli, Dr. Rebecca Escamilla, Paul Hotchkin, Ivan Iniguez, Laila Rajabi, and Dr. Miguel Vasquez  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2724  
**Description:** The purpose of this workshop is to select the textbook to be used for BIOL 1306 and BIOL 1307. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear from those publishers invited to present at this time and will also see highlights of the online platforms provided by each publisher. Your input on the selection of this textbook is valuable to the Biology discipline. Please RSVP (xkretsch@epcc.edu) if you plan on attending. **CB Credit:** #n/c - no credit
Workshop: Critical Thinking in the New Mathways Project (NMP) Courses  
**Presenter(s):** Edith Aguirre, Ivette Chuca, Fan Chen, and Alexandra Macedo  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 8:30 - 9:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/L04  
**Description:** This workshop will outline the New Mathways Courses and what population of students they target. The NMP course helps students in a developmental math course with real world applications and fosters critical thinking. The NMP curriculum also encourages students to register concurrently for EDUC1300. Students have direct contact with the student support services and counselors. Examples of lessons for those courses will be shared and faculty will share their experiences in teaching critical thinking in their classrooms. Everyone in the college is welcome to attend and learn how concurrently we can improve the success rates for our math students. **CB Credit:** #5

Workshop: Excel Basics for Grades Part 1 of 3  
**Presenter(s):** Jesse Ramirez, Frank Samaniego, Monica Montenegro, Cristobal Montaño, and Guadalupe Davila  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 8:30 - 9:20 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/B123  
**Description:** Excel Basics for Grades is an introduction to Excel with emphasis on the skills you need to maintain a spreadsheet to manage classroom grades. This class discusses the basic elements of Excel like tabs, command groups, and individual commands. You will learn how to navigate the spreadsheet and how to enter basic data into cells. You will learn how to add and delete columns (fields) to represent your graded items, assignments, projects, and exams. **CB Credit:** #8

Workshop: Blackboard Open Lab for Instructors  
**Presenter(s):** Luz E. Cadena, Andres Lopez, and Francisco Sanchez  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 8:30 - 1:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/B162  
**Description:** Need assistance adding those final touches to your spring 2016 Blackboard course, like setting up your calculated column or adding a tool link to your course menu? Work independently in an open lab setting with DLSS staff available to answer your questions. Please note that with the number of faculty who come in for assistance and limited time, DLSS staff cannot sit and train individuals on various aspects of Blackboard. The open lab is intended to answer questions and provide trouble shooting assistance. **CB Credit:** #8

Workshop: Tips on How to Apply for Scholarships  
**Presenter(s):** Patsy Saenz, Frances Moreno, and Martha Brown  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Rio Grande Campus/A232  
**Description:** This workshop will provide tips for your students on how to apply for scholarships.  
**CB Credit:** #4

Workshop: Basic Grant Seeking in Higher Education: Strategies and Tools for EPCC Faculty  
**Presenter(s):** James Valdez, Arlene Alarcon, Charles L. Simien, and Al Lawrence  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2116  
**Description:** Grants are necessary to colleges; however, due to the dearth of educational funding and the highly competitive environment, securing grants is not an uncomplicated process. Faculty workload is high, and it takes all the running that faculty can do just to remain in the same place. With the heavy teaching and administrative requirements, it’s not surprising that many faculty avoid seeking grants or produce proposals that are competitively disadvantaged. Faculty need not feel alone – the grants management office can assist you through the grant-seeking process, identifying sources, preparing viable applications and managing the funds post grant award. **CB Credit:** #9
Workshop: The Right to Bear Arms  
Presenter(s): Dr. Sergio Saenz-Rivera  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2118  
Description: This workshop presents scholarly approaches to the debate centering on the second amendment of the constitution. We will also present/discuss public policy ideas in light of new regulations in Texas and recent campus shootings. CB Credit: #4

Workshop: NCBW Training Workshop  
Presenter(s): Margie Nelson Rodriguez, Brian Kirby, Kathleen Bombach, and Michael Duncan  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2126 A2125  
Description: A Non-Course Based Option (NCBO) is an innovative academic intervention that helps students persist and complete their developmental coursework. The team working on the English discipline's NCBW (Non-Course Based Option for Writing) will share best practices gained from teaching the course district-wide in fall 2015 and will provide valuable training. All English faculty are highly encouraged to attend this workshop; however, English faculty teaching an NCBW 0111 section for the first time in spring or fall 2016 are required to attend. CB Credit: #3

Workshop: To Do Nothing & Yet Nothing Is Left Undone  
Presenter(s): Dr. Antonio Juarez and Shanan Valles  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Rio Grande Campus/B210  
Description: Specific strategies for dealing with the demands of daily life. We will discuss the application of Lao Tzu's Taoist Philosophy. This workshop will teach strategies to take an organic approach to handling life's stresses. CB Credit: #11

Workshop: Core Assessment Report Evaluation Committee Training  
Presenter(s): Rebekah Bell  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2124  
Description: This session is an overview of the Evaluation process and is intended for members of the Evaluation Committee only. Rubrics, timelines, and assignments will be reviewed. CB Credit: #9

Workshop: BCIS 1305 and Business CourseMate Training  
Presenter(s): Lisa Goodrich and Grace Vaughn  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2325  
Description: The SAM 2013 Instructor Training session is designed for users of SAM 2013 for BCIS 1305. This session will demonstrate the new features for SAM 2013 for use in your spring 2016 classes. For CourseMate, learn to utilize the Cengage Learning "CourseMate" Software for the Business Courses. CB Credit: #10

Workshop: Writer's Workbench: Best Practices  
Presenter(s): Jorge Gomez and Regina Muir  
Date: January 12, 2016 MOVED TO January 14  
Time: 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/B124  
Description: This workshop will present best practices and a short tutorial for the writing program called Writer's Workbench. Currently installed in computer labs and English and Reading offices, Writer's Workbench is software that provides writing feedback on student drafts. Students enrolled in developmental reading and writing courses are particularly good targets for its implementation, but all courses that contain writing could adopt this program. CB Credit: #8
Workshop: How Can MyCourses Help You?
Presenter(s): David M. Rodriguez
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2326
Description: Would you like to offer additional materials to your students online and help the environment by going completely paperless? Come see what MyCourses has to offer you! This interactive workshop will showcase the many features available to our faculty through MyCourses, the system replacing Smart Start Network.  
CB Credit: #8

Workshop: English Pronunciation for Hispanic (and other) English Learners
Presenter(s): James Dewane
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 10:50 a.m.
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2128
Description: This workshop will present English learners and their teachers a systematic and practical approach to changing the way English Language Learners (ELLs) perceive and use the sound system of English. Many features of English remain hidden to ELLs, literally for years, unless specific, immediately useful information on English sounds is presented to them. Drawn from many sources and classroom experience, this approach allows you to immediately address many common issues facing native Spanish speakers and gives you the tools to deconstruct and correct any pronunciation and perception difficulties.  
CB Credit: #7

Workshop: Equal Employment Opportunity & Equal Educational Opportunity Workshop
Presenter(s): Nancy Nelson and Victoria D. Lipscomb
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2127
Description: Faculty members are required to attend this workshop biannually as a condition of employment. This requirement is due to the legal implications for the institution and faculty member individually. The workshop is designed to inform employees of current laws, definitions, and criteria of employment discrimination, including sexual harassment; the College's policy and grievance procedure; and the implications sexual harassment has on employees and students. This workshop will ensure faculty is knowledgeable about the issues of employment discrimination and maintaining a sexual harassment-free environment. The workshop's focus is on issues relative to employment at the College, including employee rights and responsibilities.  
CB Credit: #9

Workshop: Excel Basics for Grades Part 2 of 3
Presenter(s): Jesse Ramirez, Frank Samaniego, Monica Montenegro, Cristobal Montañó, and Guadalupe Davila
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 9:30 - 10:20 a.m.
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/B123
Description: Prerequisite: Excel Basics for Grades; Part 1 or a basic understanding of entering data, navigating a spreadsheet and functions like SUM, AVERAGE, MIN, and MAX. This workshop will teach you how to import your student list from Banner.  
CB Credit: #8

Workshop: 2016-2017 Catalog Review
Presenter(s): Rachel Ortega
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/C204F
Description: All District Wide Coordinators, Deans, Disciplines and EPCC Departments are invited to come by the Curriculum Office to review course descriptions, degree plans, and narratives that will appear in the Fall 2016-2017 catalog. Refreshments will be served.  
CB Credit: #n/c - no credit

Workshop: From Punishment to Protest: The Changing Nature of Riots in America
Presenter(s): Dr. Melissa Esmacher  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2125  
Description: While today the word “riot” conjures images of angry protests in urban neighborhoods over police violence against the African American community, this association is based in relatively recent history. This talk will trace the evolution of rioting in 20th century America, charting how riots evolved from white vigilante mob actions as punishment for perceived minority transgressions, to minority-led protests against systemic racism and inequality. CB Credit: #4

Workshop: Communication – A required LEARNING OBJECTIVE for all disciplines  
Presenter(s): Al Arvizo  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/B100  
Description: The fact that the state of Texas has mandated that all public colleges and universities assess two CORE learning outcomes in “all” disciplines – critical thinking and communication – is an indication of its importance. Implementing both pedagogical and institutional strategies to help improve students’ oral communication skills is as valuable as developing any other basic ability (reading, writing, mathematics). Centers are a valuable resource for individual instructors who want to develop oral communication components. A communication center can aid faculty by providing guidance in the design, preparation, and assessment of speaking assignments. CB Credit: #2

Workshop: Early Alert Training  
Presenter(s): Sandra Lujan, Margie Nelson-Rodriguez, and Susan Silva  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Mission del Paso Campus/C114  
Description: Early Alert is a retention initiative that integrates counseling, advising, and support services with instruction. Faculty, counselors, and advisors are working collaboratively to provide students with the resources necessary for a positive college experience. Faculty use a software to monitor their First-Time-in-College students and to send alerts to the students and their counselors. This workshop will show faculty how to use the software and provide information about the program and its benefits. CB Credit: #3

Workshop: House Bill 5: Preparing Students for College in High School  
Presenter(s): Margie Nelson Rodriguez, Brian Kirby, Michael Coulehan, and Michael Duncan  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2122  
Description: House Bill 5 (HB5) requires Texas high schools to offer college preparatory courses in reading/writing and math to seniors with curriculum developed by higher education faculty. Come learn about the EPCC reading/writing team’s efforts in partnering with UTEP, the local school districts, and Region 19 to make the integrated reading and writing course a success. CB Credit: #3

Workshop: Digital Self-Defense  
Presenter(s): David M. Rodriguez  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2326  
Description: In this Digital Age, how can you protect yourself, assets, and sanity? Take Digital Self-defense! Learn practical methods of protecting your identity online, how to keep your devices clear of malicious software, and why backups are a critical part of any disaster recovery plan. CB Credit: #8
Workshop: Student Engagement in TIERS: Culinary, Travel Tourism and Hospitality Operations Programs  
Presenter(s): Linda Cropper, Chef Daniel Guerra, and Chef Jesus Lugo  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Administrative Service Center/1309  
Description: How does student engagement work in TIERS? We will discuss three ways to engage our students: Reaching out prior to the start of classes and building a rapport with them; Helping students succeed through motivation and developing a personal relationship; Mentoring students to make sure the career path is the right one for them. Our belief is that individuals must “have a passion” for the industry they are working in to be successful. CB Credit: #2

Workshop: Student Support Services at Rio Grande Campus  
Presenter(s): Ricardo Lopez De Lara, Patsy Saenz, and Martha Brown  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Rio Grande Campus/A119  
Description: The purpose of this workshop is to inform faculty of Student Support Services offered at Rio Grande Campus. The goal is to increase college retention and graduation rates. CB Credit: #1

Workshop: Advanced Grant Seeking in Higher Education: Strategies and Tools for EPCC Faculty  
Presenter(s): James Valdez, Arlene Alarcon, Charles L. Simien, and Al Lawrence  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2325  
Description: Grants are necessary to colleges; however, due to the dearth of educational funding and the highly competitive environment, securing grants is not an uncomplicated process. Faculty workload is high, and it takes all the running that faculty can do just to remain in the same place. With the heavy teaching and administrative requirements, it’s not surprising that many faculty avoid seeking grants or produce proposals that are competitively disadvantaged. Faculty need not feel alone – the grants management office can assist you through the grant-seeking process, identifying sources, preparing viable applications and managing the funds post grant award. CB Credit: #9

Workshop: Adjunct Faculty: What All Adjunct Faculty Need to Know to Work at the College  
Presenter(s): Rudy Hernandez  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2518  
Description: This session will address what all adjunct faculty should know in order to work effectively, teach, and be in compliance with requisites of EPCC, including HB 2504; where to find syllabus requirements; attendance deadlines; grade submissions; and other related matters that assist new and experienced adjunct faculty when teaching at EPCC. This session also allows adjuncts to bring up and address issues that relate to faculty and is a prelude to the session in which you will meet and listen to Steve Smith, Vice President of Instruction. CB Credit: #9

Workshop: Excel Basics for Grades Part 3 of 3  
Presenter(s): Jesse Ramirez, Frank Samaniego, Monica Montenegro, Cristobal Montaño, and Guadalupe Davila  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 10:30 - 11:20 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/B123  
Description: Prerequisite: Excel Basics for Grades; Part 1 and 2 or a basic understanding of Excel, able to use SUM, AVERAGE, MIN, and MAX functions, and a list of your students and their ID numbers in a spreadsheet. This workshop will teach you how to prepare your grade sheet to submit to the Registrar’s office. You will ensure the formulas that calculate the total score and final grade are accurate. You will prepare the header with your course information and print a copy for your records. CB Credit: #8
Workshop: Getting Ready for Retirement  
**Presenter(s):** Pilar Gimbel and Gordon Gimbel  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 11:00 - 11:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2117  
**Description:** Not sure how your retirement accounts are looking? Do you know how the Teacher Retirement System (TRS) works? Will you have enough money to retire? How much is enough? We will go over some great ideas on what to do NOW before you retire to make sure you will have everything in order for a smooth retirement. **CB Credit:** #11

Workshop: Experience the New Enhanced Technology Rooms!!  
**Presenter(s):** Gilbert Garcia and Sergio Ramos  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 11:00 - 11:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2515  
**Description:** Hands-on workshop on how to use the equipment placed in the new Technology Enhanced Classrooms. Learn how you can connect your own devices on the podiums for classroom use. (e.g., graphic calculators, iPads, Tablets, etc.) Please bring your devices and adapters. **CB Credit:** #8

Workshop: The S-STEM Program Affects Our Students’ Interest in STEM Fields  
**Presenter(s):** Dr. Fariba Ansari, Dr. Rebecca Escamilla and Dr. Jose Pacheco  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 11:00 - 11:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2119  
**Description:** In collaboration with our S-STEM fellows, we have partnered with UTEP to build a relationship with a 4-year college. Our goal is to allow students to bridge easily from a 2-year to a 4-year college experience. This year’s cohort will be exposed to robotics, probably the most interesting concept in the 21st century. Through this endeavor, students see firsthand how math and computer science are related. Utilizing the LabView Program, our fellows will build and program a robot of their own creation. **CB Credit:** #7

Workshop: Adjunct Faculty Forum  
**Presenter(s):** Rudy Hernandez and Adjunct Faculty Steering Committee  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 11:00 - 11:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2518  
**Description:** Adjunct Faculty Forum provides adjunct faculty a forum to discuss their concerns and issues and meet and greet Steve Smith, Vice President of Instruction. Additionally, adjunct faculty will able to learn about what needs to be done at the beginning of the semester by all faculty. Finally, adjunct faculty will be updated on topics related to their benefits and evaluations. **CB Credit:** #9

Workshop: The Evolution of El Paso County: Boundaries and Ghost Towns, 1851-1917  
**Presenter(s):** Dr. David Raley  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 11:00 - 11:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2120  
**Description:** This workshop will examine the shifting boundaries which have shaped contemporary El Paso County. In 1851, the entire Trans-Pecos region was included in only two large counties: El Paso and Presidio. Between then and 1917, the state legislature periodically redrew the county boundaries, gradually reducing the size of El Paso county and creating others from its territory, including Culberson, Hudspeth, and part of Pecos County. This workshop will also look at some of the more notable communities which have disappeared during this time period. **CB Credit:** #4
Workshop: Dual Credit and Early College High School: Overview and Updates  
**Presenter(s):** Margie Nelson Rodriguez, Sue Selk, Dianna Williams, and Rene Chavez  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 11:00 - 11:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2116  
**Description:** Are you teaching dual credit? Do you have ECHS students in your classes? This workshop will provide an overview and updates on EPCC’s Dual Credit and Early College High School programs, including how these important initiatives benefit EPCC and our community. **CB Credit:** #9

Workshop: Enhanced Honors Project  
**Presenter(s):** Alexandra Macedo and Oscar Macedo  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 11:00 - 11:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Rio Grande Campus/A232  
**Description:** This workshop will provide the necessary information and tools available for interested faculty wishing to participate in the enhanced mentoring projects through the honors program. The enhanced project has minimum criteria for subsequent student publication. Faculty will mentor these students to successful completion of the project, which includes an academic research paper, a short presentation of the research at the end of the semester before a committee, and publication of their paper through the new honors program library of student academic research. **CB Credit:** #7

Workshop: Student Engagement in TIERS: Cosmetology, Nail Tech, and Massage Therapy Programs  
**Presenter(s):** Linda Cropper, Sonja Rosales, Graciela Roman, and Tammy Taggart  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 11:00 - 11:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Administrative Service Center/1309  
**Description:** How does student engagement work in TIERS? We will discuss three ways to engage our students: Reaching out prior to the start of classes and building a rapport with them; Helping students succeed through motivation and developing a personal relationship; Mentoring students to make sure the career path is the right one for them. Our belief is that individuals must “have a passion” for the industry they are working in to be successful. **CB Credit:** #2

Workshop: Who is the Weakest Link?  
**Presenter(s):** David M. Rodriguez  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 11:00 - 11:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2326  
**Description:** Every day you hear about companies being hacked, sensitive information being stolen, and the impact totaling in hundreds of millions. How does this happen? Who is responsible for the securing of information and resources? How do hackers break through such sophisticated security systems? The answer might surprise you… **CB Credit:** #9

Workshop: Engrade: A Simple Alternative to Blackboard  
**Presenter(s):** Al Arvizo and Yasmin Ramirez  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 11:00 - 11:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/B100  
**Description:** Engrade is an online program that allows instructors to manage all their classes in an easy but efficient way. It supports posting and calculations of grades, messages, and documents. It's user friendly for both instructors and students. A smart phone app is also available to make it easily accessible from anywhere. **CB Credit:** #7
Workshop: Math Emporium Updates  
**Presenter(s):** Ivette Chuca  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/L04  
**Description:** New Math Emporium updates will be given during the first part of the session. During the second part of the session, faculty will be given a chance to discuss strategies for helping students to successfully complete their emporium courses. This workshop is recommended for any faculty who will be teaching an emporium class during spring 2016 or for any faculty who might be interested in teaching an emporium class.  
**CB Credit:** #8

Workshop: Meet the New Lady…Lady Bug!  
**Presenter(s):** Jaime Rodriguez and James Townsend  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2515  
**Description:** A hands-on workshop on how to use the new Lady Bug (Document Camera). Learn the new functions available for faculty to use for instruction. Learn how you can connect your own devices on the document cameras for classroom use (e.g., graphic calculators, iPads, Tablets, etc.). Please bring your devices and adapters.  
**CB Credit:** #8

Workshop: Take Action!  
**Presenter(s):** Mayra Cordero  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Campus/Room:** Administrative Service Center/A158  
**Description:** This workshop will empower you with the knowledge, tools, and resources to take informed health and environmental actions. In addition, there will be great door prizes from the EPCC Recycling Program that will encourage your actions.  
**CB Credit:** #11

Workshop: What Does the Faculty Professional Development Committee Do?  
**Presenter(s):** Scott Mann  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2126  
**Description:** Please join the Faculty Professional Development Committee for an informative session where you will learn all about the FPD Committee’s charge, application, and selection procedures for mini-grants, as well as the selection process for faculty awards.  
**CB Credit:** #10

Workshop: Choose Your Retirement Path  
**Presenter(s):** Norma Aros Holmes  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2118  
**Description:** What are the challenges you face as you navigate the road to retirement? We'll break them down into five, including:  

1. Cost of living increases in retirement  
2. Outliving your retirement savings  
3. Taxes  
4. Expenses  
5. Expectation vs. reality

We'll also take a look at longevity, surviving the loss of a spouse, health care costs, inflation, and leaving a legacy, to name a few.  
**CB Credit:** #4
Workshop: 1st Year Tenure Track Workshop  
**Presenter(s):** Gabriel Camacho and Tenure Committee Members  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 1:00 - 1:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2121  
**Description:** Mandatory tenure review session for all tenure track faculty members. This session will review the tenure procedure, discuss the tenure process, and answer questions regarding the tenure process. Helpful tips for collecting and documenting information will also be provided by Tenure Committee members. **CB Credit:** #9

Workshop: 2nd Year Tenure Track Workshop  
**Presenter(s):** Gabriel Camacho and Tenure Committee Members  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 1:00 - 1:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2122  
**Description:** Mandatory tenure review session for all tenure track faculty members. This session will review the tenure procedure, discuss the tenure process, and answer questions regarding the tenure process. Helpful tips for collecting and documenting information will also be provided by Tenure Committee members. **CB Credit:** #9

Workshop: Understanding the Millennial Generation in the Classroom  
**Presenter(s):** Crystal Robert and Melissa Aguilera  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 1:00 - 1:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2125  
**Description:** Understanding the millennial generation in the classroom. Who are they? The millennial generation is variously described as Generation Y, Nexters, Baby Boom Echo Generation, Echo Boomers, Digital Natives, Generation Next, Generation Me. With so many names, it is difficult to understand the wants, needs, and learning styles of these students. This workshop hopes to help identify the characteristics of the Millennial generation, help the instructor to understand the students’ motivations, and find the best ways to engage the student in the classroom. **CB Credit:** #2

Workshop: Integrating Videos into Your Class  
**Presenter(s):** Fan Chen  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 1:00 - 1:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/L04  
**Description:** Do you want to add your voice or text comments to your video lessons? Even more, do you want to be able to stop the video so you may present the students with a question that must be answered before they can continue watching the video? Do you want to have a system to provide a progress report that shows whether the student watched the video, what percent of it was watched, which questions were answered, and when it was last watched? If you do, come to this workshop to learn about a FREE resource that will enable you to do all the above. **CB Credit:** #3

Workshop: Early Alert Training  
**Presenter(s):** Sandra Lujan, Margie Nelson-Rodriguez, and Susan Silva  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/B123  
**Description:** Early Alert is a retention initiative that integrates counseling, advising, and support services with instruction. Faculty, counselors, and advisors are working collaboratively to provide students with the resources necessary for a positive college experience. Faculty use a software to monitor their First-Time-in-College students and to send alerts to the students and their counselors. This workshop will show faculty how to use the software and provide information about the program and its benefits. **CB Credit:** #3
Workshop: 3rd Year Tenure Track Workshop  
Presenter(s): Gabriel Camacho and Tenure Committee Members  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2121  
Description: Mandatory tenure review session for all tenure track faculty members. This session will review the tenure procedure, discuss the tenure process, and answer questions regarding the tenure process. Helpful tips for collecting and documenting information will also be provided by Tenure Committee members. **CB Credit: #9**

Workshop: 4th Year Tenure Track Workshop  
Presenter(s): Gabriel Camacho and Tenure Committee Members  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2122  
Description: Mandatory tenure review session for all tenure track faculty members. This session will review the tenure procedure, discuss the tenure process, and answer questions regarding the tenure process. Helpful tips for collecting and documenting information will also be provided by Tenure Committee members. **CB Credit: #9**

Workshop: NBC Learn  
Presenter(s): Patricia Araujo  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/C201A  
Description: NBC Learn is designed to help teach and engage students of all levels and abilities. It is an effective way to "infuse technology and digital media into 21st century learning." NBC Learn is a great tool that integrates with Blackboard. NBC Learn offers more than 10,000 resources of 2 to 5 minute videos that are aligned to higher education courses and that can connect students to the real world. **CB Credit: #8**

Workshop: Getting Ready for Retirement  
Presenter(s): Pilar Gimbel and Gordon Gimbel  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2117  
Description: Not sure how your retirement accounts are looking? Do you know how the Teacher Retirement System (TRS) works? Will you have enough money to retire? How much is enough? We will go over some great ideas on what to do NOW before you retire to make sure you will have everything in order for a smooth retirement. **CB Credit: #11**

Workshop: GOVT 2306 - Texas Government MindTap Training  
Presenter(s): Lisa Goodrich  
Date: January 12, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A1711  
Description: MindTap™ is a personalized teaching experience with relevant assignments that guide students to analyze, apply, and improve thinking, allowing you to measure skills and outcomes with ease. Personalized teaching becomes yours through a Learning Path built with key student objectives and your syllabus in mind. Control what students see and when they see it. Relevant readings, multimedia, and activities are designed to take students up the levels of learning, from basic knowledge to analysis and application. Analytics and reports provide a snapshot of class progress, time in course, engagement and completion rates. Please join Cengage Learning to set up your Spring 2016 GOVT 2306 course. This hands-on session will allow you to learn more about incorporating MindTap into your course syllabus. **CB Credit: #10**
Workshop: Building Experiences Throughout the Life Span  
**Presenter(s):** Mary Yañez, Nancy Green, Malena Cano, and Patricia Sanabria  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Administrative Service Center/B323  
**Description:** This workshop presentation addresses this question: What interests do retirees seek in relation to educational classes and leisure experiences? Consider the aspects of quality life in the golden years which may include learning a language, traveling, computer training, painting a treasured piece, writing memoires, seeking validation of life’s accomplishments, freedom from work commitments and socializing, playing an instrument, singing or dancing like you've never done before. Throughout the life span we seek to learn, to care for ourselves, and to connect with others. **CB Credit:** #6

Workshop: Microsoft Office Word: Learn How to Insert Tables  
**Presenter(s):** Patricia Araujo  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 3:00 - 3:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/C201A  
**Description:** Learn to insert tables into a Word document and convert a Word table to an Excel table. **CB Credit:** #5

**Workshop:** New Faculty Orientation  
**Presenter:** Mr. Steve Smith and Instructional Deans  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 4:45 - 8:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Administrative Service Center/Boardroom  
**Description:** Workshops, General Session, EXPO, and opportunity for new faculty to meet with Deans, Coordinators, and College resource departments. See page 6 for details.

Workshop: Cutting Clutter Competencies: Clear Your Clutter, Clear Your Mind!  
**Presenter(s):** Angelica Garcia  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 7:00 - 7:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Transmountain Campus/1123  
**Description:** Do you find yourself surrounded by so much clutter that you can't think straight? This workshop will help you clear paper clutter and clutter around your home and office. Everyone always wants to get "organized," but the first step before getting organized and before buying attractive containers is cutting down on that clutter! Resources on where to donate and recycle your excess stuff will be provided. Filing tips will also be included along with a sheet of folder labels to help you get started on a basic home filing system of your own. January is "Get Organized Month!" Get ready for 2016 by clearing those items that are draining you and distracting you from what matters most! **CB Credit:** #11

Workshop: Tejano Passport Training Session for Instructors  
**Presenter(s):** Dr. Gertrud Konings-Dudin and Dr. Ondrea Quiros  
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Administrative Service Center/A400  
**Description:** Come learn about the Tejano Passport program. This training session will cover how the Passport program will document community participation and volunteerism, and the EPCC instructor’s role in this program. During this session, interested instructors will receive detailed information about how they will be guided throughout the semester, and they will receive a hands-on training in the documentation procedure. Bring your smart phone or a tablet to the session or let us know in advance if you do not have either yourself. **CB Credit:** #9
Workshop: Take Action!
Presenter(s): Mayra Cordero
Date: January 12, 2016
Time: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Campus/Room: Administrative Service Center/A158
Description: This workshop will empower you with the knowledge, tools, and resources to take informed health and environmental actions. In addition, there will be great door prizes from the EPCC Recycling Program that will encourage your actions. CB Credit: #11

Workshop: Digital Self-Defense
Presenter(s): David M. Rodriguez
Date: January 12, 2016
Time: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Campus/Room: Administrative Service Center/Boardroom
Description: In this Digital Age, how can you protect yourself, assets, and sanity? Take Digital Self-defense! Learn practical methods of protecting your identity online, how to keep your devices clear of malicious software, and why backups are a critical part of any disaster recovery plan. CB Credit: #8

Workshop: New Dual Credit Faculty and Online Facilitator Orientation
Presenter(s): Sue Selk and Luz Cadena
Date: January 12, 2016
Time: 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Campus/Room: Administrative Service Center/A268
Description: The purpose of this workshop is to share information with new dual credit onsite instructors and online facilitators in order to make their first semester a successful one. Topics will include what to do at the beginning, middle, and end of the semester as well as information about Blackboard for instructors and facilitators. Questions will be welcomed! CB Credit: #9