

WEEK OF JANUARY 14, 2025

NEWS TO KNOW

2025 University Awards of Excellence Winners Announced



Congratulations to the 2025 University Awards of Excellence award recipients. The University Awards of Excellence program recognizes full-time faculty and staff who dedicate their time and talents to students, scholarship, and the advancement of higher education. Annually, the UVU Board of Trustees recognizes faculty and staff for their contributions to strengthening UVU's mission. Additionally, the Presidential Awards of Excellence highlight faculty and staff for their efforts in key areas related to UVU's mission, values, and action commitments.

The honorees will be recognized at a special awards event on April 16, 2025.

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Faculty Senate President Updates



Welcome back to Spring 2025!

While I am looking forward to April showers and May flowers, the Spring semester provides many other events and opportunities for faculty to engage with students and our community.

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What To Expect During the 2025 General Legislative Session



Utah's annual legislative session begins next week, and a number of issues important to higher education are likely to be considered. Here's an overview of what we are anticipating during the 2025 session and some tips on how you can engage in the legislative process.

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University Policy Updates | Classroom Management

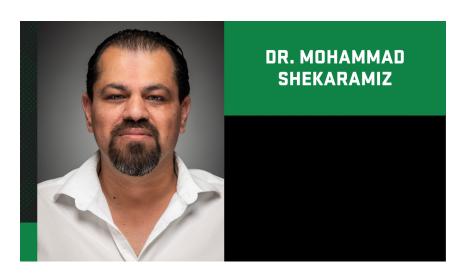


As we enter a new semester, now is a good time to remind you of some important guidelines found in Policy 601 Classroom Management. These guidelines are designed to help faculty maintain a safe, respectful learning environment for all students.

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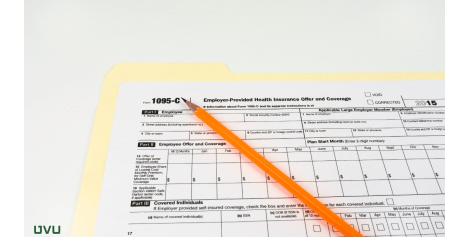
Remembering Dr. Mohammad Shekaramiz

We are deeply saddened to announce the passing of Dr. Mohammad Shekaramiz, assistant professor in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. Dr. Shekaramiz was a beloved educator, colleague, and friend known for his exceptional dedication to his students.



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2024 Electronic 1095-C Form Distribution



We're thrilled to announce that for the 2024 reporting year, we'll be offering electronic distribution of 1095-C forms!

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UVU FACULTY IN THE NEWS

Untangling the roots of religious tensions in Gondar, Ethiopia | Lacuna Magazine | December 11, 2024

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Utah's gender gap in accounting stands out nationally. UVU is working to change that | KUER | January 3, 2025

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THINGS TO DO

Submit Your Art for International Mother Language Day Poster Competition



The Office of Institutional Engagement and Effectiveness (IEE) is excited to announce the third annual International Mother Language Day Poster Competition at UVU!

All students, staff, and faculty are invited to participate and help spread the word on this amazing opportunity.

Get Involved

Free Therapy for UVU Employees

Creating the Dream: MLK Commemoration 2025



The UVU Community Mental Health Clinic is now scheduling free therapy sessions for couples and families for UVU Employees, Students, and local community members.

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On **Thursday, January 23, 2025**, we invite you to join us for our signature event, Creating the Dream: Artistic Expressions of Justice, in the Grand Ballroom from 11 am-12 pm. This program will feature performances from talented artists, poets, singers, and dancers from our community.

Be sure to join us after for breakout sessions led by students and community members from 1-3 pm.

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Provost's Award Nominations Now Open

The Annual Provost's Awards are now open for nominations. You can view the categories and award criteria <u>here</u>. Three categories are available to all full-time university employees, and eight categories are open to employees in the division of Academic Affairs.

Nominations for the Distinguished Teaching Award are due by January 24. All other categories are due by January 31.



Nominate Here

Workforce Alignment Opportunities for UVU Faculty



UVU's Workforce Alignment team is offering **"Trauma-Informed Student Support"** for all faculty beginning on January 28. Additionally, there are two books available for shared reading. Visit the link below for all details and to sign up.

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Complete Mandatory Trainings by Feb. 14, 2025

Save the Date! UVU State of the University



We encourage all university employees to complete these five critical development courses by the deadline of February 14, 2025. The trainings include Cybersecurity, Student Data Privacy (FERPA), Workplace Conduct (Bullying), Freedom of

Speech, and Title IX/Sexual Harassment.

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The Office of the President invites all faculty and staff to the 2025 State of the University address, delivered by President Astrid S. Tuminez on **January 29, 2025, at 1 pm** in the Vallejo Auditorium.

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