New Faculty Academy

A year-long program to build community among new Lander faculty



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NFA Program Goals

To support Lander's newest faculty by providing support for innovative teaching, scholarly achievement, and outstanding university engagement and service.

To create a collegial, interdisciplinary network for social support and opportunities for collaboration in teaching, research, administrative, and service.

Eligibility

All full-time faculty who began their employment with Lander in **2024 or 2025** are invited to participate in the NFA program. Faculty accepted into the program will engage in 2-3 hours per month participating in activities and networking opportunities designed to maximize new faculty success.

Questions? Email us at cfe@lander.edu

NFA Activities

New Faculty Orientation

Small Group Instructional Feedback (SGIF)

NFA Topical Meetings and Workshops

Teams Resource Repository

Welcome Back Workshops

> Academic Research Orientation

Get to know your peers and others

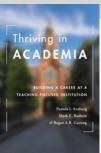
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Program Features

- New Faculty Academy participants will engage in an academic-year-long sequence of meetings and workshops to support becoming a fully engaged and productive faculty member at Lander.
- Collegial interactions with campus offices and university administrators at exclusive NFA events.
- The program will feature a dedicated Teams site for dissemination of information, collaboration, and sharing resources.

Complimentary Book

Each New Faculty Academy participant will receive a copy of the book *Thriving in Academia: Building a Career at a Teaching-Focused Institution* by Ansburg, Basham, and Gurung.



New Faculty Orientation: Academy participants with a January 2025 or August 2025 start date will attend the New Faculty Orientation on Friday, August 15, 2025.

Small Group Instructional Feedback (SGIF): Academy participants should participate in the CFE midsemester formative feedback teaching program either Fall or Spring. See the SGIF handout for more information.

NFA Topical Seminars: Opportunities to meet with campus leaders in the areas of teaching, research, service, and student support. Meetings will occur once or twice per month and New Faculty Academy participants should plan to attend a majority of meetings throughout the year.

Possible Topics:

- FFRPA
- Student Success Center
- Advising
- General Education
- Faculty Evaluation/ Watermark
- Faculty Governance
- Honors College
- SoTL

- Workforce Development
- CARE and counseling
- Title IX and student conduct

Teams site: A repository of materials from presentations and a place to share ideas with each other will be made for each cohort.

Welcome Back Workshops: New Faculty Academy-specific sessions will take place at the Welcome Back Workshops in Spring 2026. Details of activities forthcoming.

Research Orientation: To help tenure-track (or other interested) New Faculty Academy participants advance their scholarship, we'll have an orientation to IRB, IACUC, library resources, and grant writing at Lander.