The Center for Transformation (CFT) was pleased to facilitate service experiences for students in the Ascent Program this summer. Students engaged with off campus partners and had the opportunity to get to know the important work happening throughout the Plymouth community. In addition, the CFT hosted a service opportunity on campus for Panther Days, where students assembled birthday boxes for children to be distributed to shelters.

The CFT will host the campus wide Day of Service in collaboration with homecoming efforts, taking place on September 28th. In honoring our connection in community and in embodying our institutional mission of Ut Prosim, students, faculty, staff, and alumni will engage in service projects with ten non-profit organizations from throughout the region. The CFT wishes to thank everyone involved who contributed their time, energy, and heart, and extends a special thanks to all the partnering organizations. Please click here to learn more about the Day of Service including our valued partners.

The CFT and the University Days planning committee thanks everyone who helped make “University Days: Finding Your Why” a success. Over 80 faculty and staff presented at 49 sessions over the 3 day event. Conversations have already begun about improvement for next summer, including adding more sessions relevant to staff, and moving the PEMI talks to the opening day. Our next campus wide professional development event will be January Jamboree. If you are interested in presenting at January Jamboree, or if there is a topic you would live to see addressed please email us at cft@plymouth.edu

Many thanks to the CFT Student Ambassadors, Molly Cassidy, Paige Collette, Nural Dhunegel, Ivy Guyote, and Sydney Tetrault, for participating in the annual leadership retreat and for all their work in planning such impactful service projects. We are so proud of these incredible human beings.

Please check out the CFT’s upcoming events:

**Resiliency & Responsible Risk Taking Workshop (Rescheduled from Sept. 25th)**
Facilitated by Dr. Maria Sanders
*Monday, October 1st* 6:00 - 7:00 pm

**Quiet the Mind, Embody the Moment Workshop**
facilitated by Dr. Karolyn Kinane
*Thursday, October 11th* 12:30-1:30pm

**Blood Drive**
*Tuesday, October 9th* 2:00 - 7:00 pm AND
*Wednesday, October 10th* 2:00 - 7:00 pm
Both held in the HUB Hage Room
For more information about upcoming CFT workshops and events, please visit the [CFT website](#) or click the image for each event.

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**Workshops**

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**PRESSBOOKS**

**Lunch and Learn: Pressbooks at PSU!**

*Thursday, October 4th* 12:00-12:45 pm  OR  
*Thursday, October 18th* 12:00-12:45 pm

Both sessions held in Lamson 102
Bret K. will give an introductory session on Pressbooks, the Ebook publishing and OER online creation tool now hosted at PSU. Click [here](#) to learn more about Pressbooks.  
*Session is appropriate for all.*

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**Learn to Build your Own Website with Domain of One's Own**

*Thursday, October 4th* 10:00 - 11:00 am  OR  
*Thursday, October 18th* 11:00 am - noon

Both sessions held in Lamson OL 114
Would students in your course benefit from having their own website to collaborate, blog, or host content? A Domain of One’s Own provides a simplified process for registering a domain and installing applications, so you and your students can focus less on the technology and more on learning outcomes for the course. At this workshop, Katie will show how PlymouthCreate encourages the creation, development, and ownership of digital identities. If time allows, she will also provide hands-on training to begin building your own website.  
*Sessions are appropriate for faculty.*

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**Lunch and Learn: Building your Professional Skill Toolbox using Lynda.com**

*Thursday, October 11th* 12:00-12:45 pm

Session held in Lamson OL 114
Learn how Lynda.com can help you expand your job skills, discover hidden talents, and help you achieve your goals. This workshop will teach you how to map out the steps and identify the skills training available in order to advance your career and document your achievements.  
*Please bring a laptop or check one out from the Information Desk in Lamson Library.*  
*Session is appropriate for all.*

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**3D Design: Meshmixer**

*Monday, October 22nd* 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Session held in Lamson OL 031
In this workshop we’ll review the tools available in Meshmixer, a digital CAD (computing aided design) sculpting software. Come learn what it takes to design, color, sculpt and create unique objects in CAD.  
*Session is appropriate for all.*

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**Ready, Set, Record - Using Audacity and USB Microphones**

*Tuesday, October 16th* 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Session held in Lamson OL 031
Want to develop podcasts or audio stories? In this workshop, we’ll learn how to record and edit using Audacity, an open source audio recording and editing program. We’ll also explore the basics of using USB microphones to do just that.
Session is appropriate for all.

Register Here

Moodle Drop-ins
Every Tuesday 10:00 am - Noon
Every Thursday 2:00 - 4:00 pm
All sessions held in Lamson 112.
Katie will be available during those times to answer your Moodle questions, help with integrating with Lynda.com or Zoom with Moodle, and to troubleshoot common issues. Click here for Moodle resources

Pressbooks at PSU Drop-ins
Every Monday 3:00 - 4:30 pm
All sessions held in Lamson 110.
Stop by to learn more about Pressbooks - the Ebook publishing and OER online creation tool now hosted at PSU. Bret K. will be available during drop-in hours, or by appointment. Click here to learn more about Pressbooks.

Lynda.com Drop-ins
Every Monday 3:00 - 4:30 pm
All sessions held in Lamson 110.
Bret K. will be available during this time to answer your Lynda questions. Click here for Lynda.com resources.

Mahara Drop-ins
Every Monday 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Every Thursday 1:30 - 3:00 pm
All sessions will be held in Lamson 115
Melinda will be available during those times to review the new layout of Mahara, show you how to use the different block types within your e-Portfolio, or answer your Mahara questions. Click here for Mahara resources.

CoursEval Drop-ins
Every Friday 2:00 - 3:00 pm
All sessions held in Lamson 115.
Melinda will be available during this time to show how to retrieve past course evaluations, create a summary report of past evaluations, or answer your CoursEval questions. Click here for resource for CoursEval.

Qualtrics Drop-ins
Every Tuesday 2:00 - 3:30 pm
All sessions held in Lamson 115.
Melinda will be available during this time to answer your Qualtrics questions. Click here for Qualtrics resources.

WordPress Drop-in
Every Monday 1:15 - 2:30 pm
Every Tuesday 9:15 - 10:30 am
Both sessions held in Lamson 110.
Come see Bret K. if you need assistance with updating your department website. Please bring your laptops. If you do not have a laptop, you can borrow one from the Help Desk.

Digital Technology Drop-ins
3D Printing, Scanning or Open Labs Drop-in
Every Wednesday 1:00 - 2:00 pm
This session is held in Lamson 112.
Erika will be available during this time to answer your 3D printing and scanning or digital technology questions.

Open Labs Drop-in
Every Thursday 9:15 - 10:30 am
This session is held in Lamson 110.
Office 365 Drop-ins

Every Wednesday 2:00 - 3:00 pm
Sessions held at Information Desk (Help Desk) on Lamson Library’s main floor.
Steven will be available during this time to answer all your Office 365 questions.
Click here to view Office 365 resources.

Zoom

Need help with Zoom? Contact the Help Desk (603-535-2929 or helpdesk@plymouth.edu)
to make a one-on-one appointment to get a tutorial.
Click here to view Zoom resources.

Bret K. will be available during this time to answer your Open Lab questions.

Studio Station Demonstration

Every Friday 10:00 - 11:00 am or contact Help Desk to set up an appointment with a specialist
Meet at Lamson 110 but session is held in Studio Station on Main Level of Lamson Library. Stop by the Lamson Library to see the production space, featuring equipment to record videos on your USB thumb drive. This space, just to the right of the circulation desk, features studio lighting, a camera, a teleprompter, and a mic for audio recording. Record your presentations, blog posts, podcasts and other projects at the touch of a button!

SMARTBoard

Need help with SmartBoard? Contact the Help Desk (603-535-2929 or helpdesk@plymouth.edu)
to make a one-on-one appointment to get a tutorial.
Click here for SmartBoard resources.

Need help with in-room technology in lecture halls Hyde 120 & 220?
Contact the Help Desk (603-535-2929 or email helpdesk@plymouth.edu)
to make a one-on-one appointment to get a tutorial.

ATI Ambassador Hannah Davidson

We would like to introduce you to PSU’s ATI Ambassadors each month. This month, our ATI Ambassador is Hannah Davidson. Hannah doesn’t want to just research the link between open education and accessibility; she wants to put theory into practice by placing her research on an open platform.

Davidson, who works with Campus Accessibility Services, is one of Plymouth State University’s Ambassadors from the 2018 Academic Technology Institute (ATI) conference. The ATI Ambassadors commit to completing an open education project throughout the year following the conference. Click here to read more about how Hannah Davidson’s project connects accessibility and open education together.

News

Library
Librarians in the Lamson Learning Commons have had a busy first month of Fall 2018 with so many classes scheduled for the classroom that many of us have had to take instruction “on the road” to classrooms in other buildings on campus. That’s never a problem, though, because our website library.plymouth.edu is accessible whenever and wherever you need it, both on and off campus. Have a question or need help doing research? Check out the main page where you can find the Reference Desk phone number, email address or CHAT button for immediate help. And you can still visit us at the research desk on the Main Level, if you’d rather talk to us in person.

We like to have a little fun when you visit us there!

Did you know that the library is a public building open to members of the community? Later this month, we will welcome middle and high school students to the library as they begin to do research for National History Day NH, a project sponsored by Plymouth State University. Watching the faces of these younger students when they find out that not only does the library have a coffee shop, but also that you can drink it AND eat your snacks while doing research is amazing.

We also do selfies.

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Fall 2018 at the Writing Center

The Writing Center (located on Lamson’s lower level) is staffed by an enthusiastic group of consultants who are eager to work with students, staff, and faculty on their writing endeavors. Our fifteen writing consultants represent eleven different majors across the disciplines. Please visit the Writing Center website for more information on our services.

Writing Center Hours:
M, T, W - 9am to 9pm
Th, F - 9am to 5pm
Sunday - 6pm to 9pm
Paige Collette is an active leader in involving her fellow peers in community engagement. She is a leader in International Service Trips, PSU Volunteers, and Alternative Spring Break, and has shown great dedication to advancing community-identified and driven projects. As a service trip leader for both local and international projects, Paige's exemplary leadership is shown through her significant contributions to the development of fellow students, as well as to the communities she works with. Paige approaches all of her endeavors with genuine enthusiasm, authenticity, and curiosity.

Garret Hall is entering his third year working at the ITS Help Desk. During that time, he has risen through the ranks to reach the Consultant level at the Help Desk. He has a great relationship with both the supervisory team as well as his fellow student workers. Recently he has assisted with training some of the newer student workers during his shifts. He has shown good leadership skills and has stepped up to help in any way he can with any projects that need to be done. Great work Garret!

Jill is a second year history major and fortunately for us, at Spinelli Archives in Lamson is beginning her second year working in the archives. Her two major projects have been entering images and metadata into our Brown Company Digital Collection as well as processing and organizing the papers of NH Executive Councilman and PSU alum, Raymond Burton. Jill is the Secretary of the History Club, recipient of the President’s Scholarship and Todd S. Trevorrow Scholarship and has made the President’s List her first year at PSU. When she isn’t studying or diligently working in the archives, she heads home to North Haverhill, NH to enjoy the company of her family and her beloved horse, Romp.

Special kudos to Olivia Hodsdon for receiving a scholarship award on 9/12/18 from the Sally Boland Memorial Scholarship Fund. Olivia was also awarded the fall 2018 Writing Center Fellowship. Well done, Olivia!