

Pacific Lutheran University  
**NEW FACULTY ORIENTATION**

**Educating for lives of thoughtful inquiry, service, leadership, and care**

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we will require all participants to wear masks.*

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2021**

*New Faculty Orientation is held in the Anderson University Center, room 133 in the lower level. The lower level can be accessed by stairs or elevator. The Anderson University Center is just to the west of Park Avenue and joins the university's upper and lower campuses. Nearby parking lots include Anderson University Center lot, and Library lot. On orientation days it is fine to park in university lots without a parking decal.*

- 8:30            *Registration*
- Continental Breakfast*
- Laree Winer (Director, Wild Hope Center for Vocation)  
                  Jen Hasson (Senior Assistant to the Provost, Office of the Provost)
- 9:00            ***Welcome and Introductions***
- Joanna Gregson (Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs)  
                  Staff (Office of the Provost)  
                  Tony Finitsis  
                  (Director, Wild Hope Center for Vocation; Associate Professor, Religion) via Zoom  
                  Jen Smith (Dean of Inclusive Excellence)
- Resource Review***
- 9:30            ***The Educational Mission of PLU***  
                  ***Introduction to Lutheran Higher Education***  
                  Marit Trelstad (Religion)
- 10:45          *Break*
- 11:00          ***Walk down to patio for photographs***  
                  John Froschauer (University Photographer, Marketing and Communications)
- 12:00          *Lunch is served*
- 1:00            ***Inclusive Pedagogy and the Culture of Teaching and Learning at PLU***  
                  Jen Smith (Dean of Inclusive Excellence, Gender, Sexuality and Race Studies)
- 2:00            ***Resources for Instructional Design at PLU***  
                  Dana Shreaves (Instructional Designer, Office of the Provost)
- 2:30            ***Who are the students you will encounter on the first day of class?***  
                  ***Who will help you respond to student needs?***  
                  Kristin Plaehn (Executive Director of the Center of Student Success)  
                  Eva Frey (Dean of Students)
- 3:30            *Break – walk to Mortvedt Library*
- 3:45            ***Library and Technology Services for Teaching and Research***  
                  Francesca Lane Rasmus (Director, Library)  
                  Ardys Curtis (Chief Information Officer and Director of Information Systems)
- 5:00            *Close of day one*

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**THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 2021**

*Continental breakfast begins at 8:30 in Room 133 at the Anderson University Center. The Anderson University Center is just to the west of Park Avenue and joins the university's upper and lower campuses.*

- 8:30            *Continental Breakfast*
- 9:00            ***Introduction to the Day***  
***New faculty development workshops for 2021-2023***  
Jen Smith (Dean of Inclusive Excellence)
- 9:15            ***The Registrar's Office Resources and FERPA***  
Kevin Berg (Associate Dean of Institutional Research and Records)  
Kelly Poth (Registrar)
- 9:30            ***Legal Matters and Risk Management***  
Teri Phillips (Associate Vice President, Human Resources)  
Sue Liden (Director, Risk Management and Insurance)
- 10:00          ***Tour of Campus***  
Student Admission Ambassadors
- 11:00          *Return to room 133*  
***Benefits for Faculty***  
Gretchen Howell (Director of Human Resources)  
Aileen Ochinang (Human Resources Specialist)  
\*Partners/spouses are invited to join faculty for this session
- 12:00          ***Introduction of University Leaders***  
Allan Belton (President)  
Geoffrey Foy (Associate Provost for Graduate Programs and Continuing Education)  
Michael Frechette (Dean, Enrollment Management and Student Financial Services)  
Patrick Gehring (Associate Vice President for Finance)  
Joanna Gregson (Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs)  
Angie Hambrick (Associate Vice President for Diversity, Justice, and Sustainability)  
Daniel Lee (Vice President for University Relations)  
Teri Phillips (Chief Operating Officer)  
Joanna Royce-Davis (Vice President for Student Life)  
Jen Rude (University Pastor)  
Jennifer Smith (Dean of Inclusive Excellence)  
Lace Smith (Associate Vice President for Marketing and Communications)  
Bridget Yaden (Chair, University Faculty)  
Neal Yakelis (Vice-Chair, University Faculty)
- 12:15          ***New Faculty Lunch***  
Orientation closes with a welcome lunch for all new faculty and their spouses/partners and children if they would like to join.