

Guiding Questions for Departmental Meetings – Needs Assessment

We intend to use these questions to stimulate our discussions. We are distributing them ahead of the meeting in case you want to discuss them with colleagues.

1. What already exists in your department in terms of professional development in teaching and learning **for faculty**? Who organizes and runs these activities? How broad is faculty participation?
2. What already exists in your department in terms of professional development in teaching and learning **for graduate students**? Who organizes and runs these activities? How broad is graduate student participation?
3. Are there any groups/communities within your department that meet regularly on issues related to teaching?
4. Are there any groups/communities within your department that meet regularly on issues related to professional development in teaching and learning?
5. Are there a few aspects of undergraduate education that you think your department is known for? (These could be instructors, courses, curricula, outreach programs, or anything related to teaching and learning.)
6. Beyond hiring more faculty, where do you think we (as a college) need to invest more in undergraduate education?