



# OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

# OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

## Features of LockDown Browser

If a student tries use a regular browser to access a test that has Respondus enabled, Blackboard will notify them that

# OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

**STUDY ABROAD:** In collaboration with University Communications and the Admissions Office teams, the study abroad pages on the [AUP website](#) that are designed to inform current AUP students about their options to study abroad have been fully updated this semester. Redundant pages have been identified and removed, language has been unified, and information and policies have been updated and clarified.

**NEW ADVISOR TRAINING:** Training for new advisors was held the week of April 19<sup>th</sup> in two 80-minute sessions. The first session covered policies and advising knowledge to ensure advisors are comfortable discussing AUP's liberal arts style of education with students and to establish their ability to navigate and speak with confidence and relative authority on AUP academic policy. The second session covered the intricate mechanics of academic advising by working through two case studies of a degree-seeking freshman and a transfer student. This training will be held again in the early summer months for those new advisors who were unable to attend and who need training and for any veteran advisors who'd like to invest in a thorough refresh.

**THE GLOBAL PROFESSIONAL SKILLS PROGRAM:** GPS has hit a tipping point in terms of enrollment and participation. There are currently 200 degree seeking students enrolled in the program – 30% of degree seeking students are enrolled. Attendance at design thinking workshops has also increased significantly with 128 students attending Designing Your AUP (72 last year), 59 students attending Designing Your Life (24 last year), and 52 students attending Designing Your Narrative (34 last year). Student feedback on the workshops remains overwhelmingly positive with 95-100% of respondents indicating a high level of satisfaction (depending on the workshop). The GPS Team is comprised of colleagues working in a variety of departments at AUP. If you are interested in getting involved, do not think twice about reaching out to Darcee Caron [dcaron@aup.edu](mailto:dcaron@aup.edu). There are many different ways to be involved (advising GPS seniors, workshops, promotion, collaboration, etc.) and many levels of involvement (it need not be a major time commitment).

## LIBRARY

**THE LEARNING COMMONS OPEN ON EXCEPTIONAL SUNDAYS:** The Quai building will be open as announced by Philip Von Eiff every week. That information is also available also on the library [hours](#) page. It might be important to emphasize that the Quai building will be exceptionally open during reading days and finals, Sundays April 25<sup>th</sup>, May 2<sup>nd</sup> and May 9<sup>th</sup>. Of course, everyone needs to keep observing the sanitary protocol.

**FACULTY: ORDER BOOKS AND FILMS FOR SUMMER AND FALL 2021:** Please, send your summer purchase requests (ASAP), as well as your fall ones, between end of April and mid-May. Material requested at the very beginning of each semester may not make in time for your activities. Know that there is an additional delay due to Brexit. All requests need to be sent to Monica Tingay ([mtingay@aup.edu](mailto:mtingay@aup.edu)).

**A NEW DATABASE: EUROPRESSE:** The Library evaluates yearly the use of its e-resources. After dropping a few unused resources from last year we have been able to substitute (e)-34( )93S(e)-34( )93S(e)-34( )93S(e)-34( )93Sent to 4



# OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

Those wishing to catch-up on sessions they may have missed can do so at the following links:

March meeting: [https://aupedu-my.sharepoint.com/:v:/g/personal/rwilliams\\_aup\\_edu/EVY1V5\\_VxtpGrhtWztTc6HoBGIN\\_ufs\\_CmNQR\\_Kllcpq8A;](https://aupedu-my.sharepoint.com/:v:/g/personal/rwilliams_aup_edu/EVY1V5_VxtpGrhtWztTc6HoBGIN_ufs_CmNQR_Kllcpq8A;)

April meeting: [https://aupedu-my.sharepoint.com/:](https://aupedu-my.sharepoint.com/)

# OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

**AMICAL-SPONSORED TRAINING & WORKSHOPS WITH PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS:** AMICAL sponsored access to a recent 3-part ACRL webinar series on Open Educational Resources & Affordability, directed at librarians and others involved with initiatives for using or creating OER in place of, or to supplement, commercially produced textbooks and course materials. A follow-up discussion was organized and ideas were developed for continuing discussion and support among AMICAL members.

In April and May, AMICAL is sponsoring group registration for the 3-part [ACRL webinar series on scholarly communication and libraries](#), exploring the current landscape and trends in scholarly communications, in particular related to Open Access publishing, and platforms for publishing digital scholarship. Instructions for joining the group registration, which is limited, has been posted on [AMICAL Connect](#).

**DIGITAL LIBERAL ARTS (DLA) COHORT PROGRAM:**