



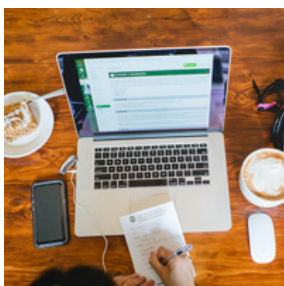
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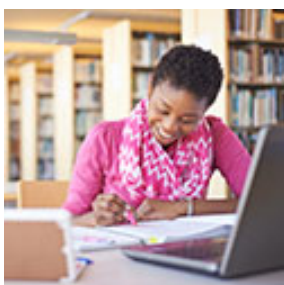
Important Dates and Deadlines

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| January 18 | Spring 2022 courses begin |
| January 24 | Spring 2022 course development begins (Cycle 2) |
| February 2 | Spring 2022 census, drop with 100% tuition refund (16-week courses) |
| February 7 | 25% Spring 2022 course development deadline (Cycle 1) |



Prepare Your Courses in Canvas

Spring course shells are open and ready for you to add course materials. We recommend Canvas shells are ready no later than Thursday, January 13. Students can access courses starting at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, January 14 and course shells will appear empty if you have not published any content.



COVID-19 Booster Requirements

The new booster mandate does not apply to students enrolled in programs through CSU Online. This includes students enrolled in a hybrid/in-person requirement for their

program. Students in a program through us do not have to upload records or obtain an exemption and will not have access to do so either. Saliva screening is still available and encouraged, but it is not mandatory. Please follow the health guidelines of the area in which the classes are held.

For more information, please refer to the [CSU COVID vaccination webpage](#).



Applying the Quality Matters Rubric

CSU Online will facilitate a two-week online workshop titled: Applying the QM Rubric (APPQMR). APPQMR is a certified Quality Matters course and opens the door to future professional development through QM. Using an online demo course, we will apply the QM Rubric, review the concept of alignment, and draft helpful recommendations for course improvement. Join us as we explore the underlying principles of the [QM Rubric](#). This session will be offered twice, on March 21 and June 6. The session runs for 2 weeks, is asynchronous, and has strict due dates throughout the session.

To register, please email Drew Lichtenstein (drew.lichtenstein@colostate.edu) to let him know you'd like to participate and include which session you want to be in.



Accessible and Inclusive Electronic Content Course

Offered in conjunction with CSU's Assistive Technology Resource Center (ATRC), this course provides a detailed introduction to creating inclusive content for those with disabilities through

accessibility best practices. Through discussions on the importance of inclusive online content and practice using accessibility tools and strategies, you'll learn how easy it can be to create materials that are usable for everyone. For the final project, you'll put it all together into a plan of action – how will you start using what you've learned in your day-to-day work and teaching? This course will be offered February 21 – March 4, May 16 – 27, Aug 8 – 19, and Oct 10 – 21. You can sign up and find more information [here](#).



Agribusiness and Food Management: New Partnership Through CSU Spur

The first of three buildings, named Vida, within the [CSU Spur Campus](#) opened in Denver, CO, January 7, 2022. Spur's three buildings focus on water (Hydro), food (Terra), and health (Vida), and it is a free, educational, year-round public destination. With this opening, we want to highlight our online master's degree program in [Agricultural Business and Food Management](#) that is partnering with Spur to provide a new, innovative way to learn. This program will utilize the water-focused research buildings, [Hydro](#), which will open November 22, 2022. The Hydro building is paired with Denver Water's water quality laboratory and has a connection to the South Platte River, all providing unique learning opportunities for our students.

Questions or Comments?

Reach out to your program contact with any questions, comments, and to discuss opportunities for new program or course developments.

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