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This message is from Dr. Sally McRorie, Provost and Executive Vice President, for distribution to all faculty and staff.

An essential goal of Florida State University's strategic plan is realizing the full potential of diversity and inclusion. FSU is committed to creating an inclusive learning environment by ensuring course materials are accessible in a variety of ways. I encourage our faculty to take advantage of the resources FSU offers to help us achieve this goal. By committing to accessibility and making your course content accessible now, you will be working toward designing courses that both comply with federal requirements and universally meet the educational needs of all learners.

If you have questions about making your courses accessible, please contact one of the following offices:

- **Student Disability Resource Center** (SDRC): While the SDRC is a resource primarily for students, it also assists faculty and staff regarding accommodations for the unique needs of students. The SDRC works to ensure that students with disabilities are provided with reasonable accommodations, including assistive technology, lecture recording, alternative text services, note-taking assistance, and extended testing time. For more information, contact SDRC at (850) 644-9566 or sdrc@admin.fsu.edu.
- **Office of Distance Learning** (ODL): ODL provides guidance to faculty in designing accessible courses. [Workshops](#) are offered to familiarize faculty with universal design and accessibility and include practical training for making audio, video, images, and written documents of all types accessible for all students. For more information, contact ODL at (850) 644-4635 or odl-faculty@campus.fsu.edu.
- **Center for the Advancement of Teaching** (CAT): CAT supports faculty in the work of creating quality learning experiences and promoting a culture that values effective teaching for all students. CAT offers reading groups where faculty can explore the research on learning and share practical strategies for the classroom. For more information, contact Director Leslie Richardson at (850) 645-2306 or larichardson@fsu.edu.

I wish you the best for the spring semester, and thank you for continuing to serve our students with instructional excellence.