

Thursday August 14, 2025

8:15 - 9:00 am: **Registration, Registration Lobby**

9:00 - 9:30 am: **Welcome & Opening Remarks, Sellers**

Dr. André Denham

Associate Dean for Graduate Academic Affairs

Dr. Peter Mohler

President, The University of Alabama

Dr. Susan Carvalho

Associate Provost and Dean of the Graduate School

9:30 - 10:30 am: **Keynote 1: Effective Presentations, Sellers**

Dr. Adam Brooks

Associate Professor of Communication Studies and Director of the Speaking Studio

10:30 - 10:40 am: **Break & Dismiss to Morning Breakout Sessions**

10:40-11:30 am: **Morning Breakout Session 1**

Teaching Resources Overview, Sellers

Dr. Tyler Roberts, Teaching Academy

Syllabus and Course Prep, Birmingham/Central

Dr. Kenon Brown, Advertising & PR

Philosophy of Teaching, Rast A

Dr. Kelly Guyotte, Qualitative Research

First Day Toolkit, Rast B

Deborah Keene, Assoc. Director, Blount Scholars Program

Dr. Cassie Smith, Assoc. Dean for Academic Affairs, Honors College

11:30 - 11:40 am: **Break & Dismiss to 2nd Morning Breakout Session**

11:40 am - 12:30 pm: **Morning Breakout Session 2**

12:30 - 1:30 pm: **Lunch with Cohort**
See Badge for Lunch Location

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1:30 - 1:40 pm: **Instructions for Afternoon Breakout Session, Sellers**

1:40 - 2:30 pm: **Afternoon Breakout Session 1**

Center for Instructional Technology Overview, Sellers

Leading Lab Classes, Birmingham/Central

Dr. Murray Silverstone, Physics and Astronomy, with Graduate Students

Balancing Teaching Responsibilities, Rast A

Graduate Student Panel

Teaching Online, Rast B

Dr. Leah Gutenson, Teaching Academy

2:30 - 2:40 pm: **Break & Dismiss to 2nd Afternoon Breakout Session**

2:40-3:30 pm: **Afternoon Breakout Session 2**

3:30 - 3:40 pm: **Break and Return to Sellers**

3:40 - 4:15 pm: **Keynote 2: Cognitive Principles of Teaching, Sellers**

Dr. Claire Major

UA Distinguished Teaching Professor in Higher Education, and Faculty Director of the Teaching Academy

4:15 - 4:30 pm: **Wrap-up & Dismissal**

Friday August 15, 2024

9:00 - 9:10 am: **Welcome and Opening Remarks, Sellers**

Dr. James Dalton

Executive Vice President and Provost, The University of Alabama

Vamsi Krishna Undavalli

President, Graduate Student Association

9:15 - 9:40 am: **Ensuring All Students Are Successful, Sellers**

Dr. G. Christine Taylor, Vice President and Associate Provost for Opportunities, Connections and Success

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9:40 - 10:20 am: **Policies & Legal Issues for GTAs Panel, Sellers**

Seth Newton

Counsel, University of Alabama System

Beth Howard

Executive Director, Equal Opportunity and Title IX

Vanessa Goepel

Director, Office of Disability Services

10:20-10:40 am : **Academic Integrity, Sellers**

Jessica Kidd

Coordinator for A&S Academic Integrity Initiatives

10:40 - 10:50 am: **Break & Dismiss to Breakout Session**

10:50 - 11:40 am: **Morning Breakout Sessions**

AI & Teaching, Sellers

Dr. Laura McNeill, Teaching Academy

Assessing and Reflecting, Rast A

Graduate Teaching Fellows

Grading, Rast B

Graduate Teaching Fellows

Student Engagement in Large Lectures, Birmingham/Central

Dr. Doug Klutz, Teaching Academy

11:40 - 11:50 am: **Break & Return to Sellers**

11:50 am - 12:30 pm: **Overview of Student Services, Sellers**

Dr. Greg Vander Wal

Executive Director, Counseling Center

Dr. Hunter Christian

Director, Student Care and Well-Being

Shannon Welch

Assistant Director of Clinical Services, Camellia Center

Kelly Miller

Assistant Director of Clinical Services, Collegiate Recovery

12:30 - 1:00 pm: **Q&A and Checkout, Sellers**

1:00 - 1:15 pm: **Dismiss & Lunch To-Go**

