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AP COMMITTEE

Nominations Open for AP Awards

Grand Valley State University AP Awards are presented to Administrative Professional employees at the annual AP Luncheon each Spring. The Luncheon is hosted by The Office of the President, Human Resources, and the AP Committee. The AP Awards recognize both team and individual accomplishments as selected by a group of peers. AP employees can be nominated by GVSU students, faculty, or staff, and nominations are then reviewed by the [AP Awards Selection Committee](#).

The due date for 2023 AP awards nominations is February 17, at 5:00 P.M.

[Submit a Nomination Now](#)

AP Groups & Bylaws Updates

We are excited to announce that we have changed how AP Groups are determined. Divisions will now be used instead of buildings to determine group representation. Please look over the [new groups](#) and [AP Committee Memberships](#) and let us know if you have any questions. Additionally, we made needed updates to our [Bylaws](#), which is far from recommended reading but took a lot of hard work. Both changes were unanimously approved by the entire AP Committee. Thank you to the AP Executive Committee members that were in those work groups.

AP Groups Work Group:

- Mary Albrecht
- Jason Cronkrite
- Justin Melick
- Dan Vainner

AP Bylaws Work Group:

- Mary Albrecht
- Anne Jbara
- Kate Stoetzner
- Dan Vainner
- Greg Wilson

AP Committee Presentation to ECS

Jason Cronkrite and Dan Vainner were asked to present to the Executive Committee of the Senate (ECS) of the University Academic Senate (UAS). The [presentation](#) was concerning employee retention.

AP Committee Vacancies

Are you interested in joining the AP Committee? Please fill out our [form](#) if you have an interest in joining the committee in the future. You can [view your group representative](#) and feel free to contact them with any questions or concerns you may have.

Current openings are in the following subcommittees

- Professional Development
- Salary & Benefits

Getting Ready for Blackboard Ultra



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The Blackboard you know will be gone May 8, 2023

Essentials learn all the basics in 60 minutes	Lunch-n-Learns 50 minutes, topic-focused	Build-a-thons 2-3 hours and hands-on	Self-Paced at your own speed, in your own time
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The Winter semester of 2023 is all about getting faculty and staff ready to use Blackboard Ultra courses for our launch in Spring/Summer and Fall 2023. Our Blackboard Ultra training comes in various formats to meet everyone's scheduling needs. [Essentials](#) are 60-minute overviews of the most used tools and functionality in Bb Ultra. [Lunch-and-Learns](#) are quick 20-minute sessions offered around the noon hour with the remaining time available for Q&A's

In addition, every faculty and staff member has their own "Ultra Practice Test Course" where they can begin exploring how to use Ultra Course View. All faculty and staff have also been enrolled in a Blackboard site named "Blackboard Learn Ultra Self-Paced Training." You can use this site to become familiar with Ultra Course View at your own pace. Log into Blackboard at: <https://lms.gvsu.edu>

Have questions or want to learn more, view our [Ultra Resources](#) in our service portal and don't hesitate to reach out to your [eLearning Technologies liaison](#).

Meeting Minutes

The AP Committee meeting minutes can be accessed on the [Meeting Minutes Archive page](#).

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