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New Contract Faculty Orientation 2022

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Welcome to **YOUR** Association

" Progressive Educators Pursuing Excellence "

Established in 1966, MRFA now represents almost 800 full-time and contract academic faculty including you!

You can find us on-line at <https://mrfa.net>

What does the Association do?

- Connect you with other faculty and the MRFA community
- Champion your rights as a faculty member
- Celebrate your achievements and those of other faculty



Making Connections

The MRFA prides itself in helping you make connections with other faculty across the University and provide you with support when you need it!

- Offer regular Professional Development Workshops
- Represent you in accommodation requests and grievances
- Sponsor frequent social events in the Faculty Center open to all members

The Association is here for you!



Building Community

The MRFA offers opportunities to engage with the broader University community

- *MRFA 2025: Building an Equitable, Diverse and Inclusive Association*
- Regular social events including weekly Friday MRFA night
- MRFA Committees (openings available and contract faculty welcome!)
- Lunch at the MRFA Bistro (we also do on-line orders and takeaway)



Empowering Faculty

The MRFA is committing to empowering its members through its support of

- Collective Bargaining
- Bicameral Governance
 - General Faculties Council, Faculty Councils and the Board of Governors
- Member-directed Interest Groups
- The MRFA Advocacy Committee
- The MRU Coalition (MRFA, MRSA and SAMRU)

The MRFA is an active member of

- The Confederation of Alberta Faculty Associations (CAFA)
- Canadian Association of University Teachers



Time to Chat! Get to Know Your Association

● **Meet Members of the MRFA Executive Board**

- Brenda Lang, Contract Member Officer
- Shelley Rathie, Member Engagement Officer

Meet Members of the MRFA Staff

- Chantelle Anderson-Senior Administrative and Faculty Relations Officer
- JJ Fenez, Administrative Specialist

Speed Dating Format: Stay where you are and we will come to you!

At 1:50 We will regroup for a quick summary and to answer any questions you might have.



Getting Involved with Your Association

There are many ways to get involved with the Association

- Attend a *Get Cracking* PD event
- Plan to attend the Annual MRFA-Board of Governors PD Days in Kananaskis April 2023.
- Join a MRFA Committee or member directed interest group

MRFA Service is eligible for Contract Faculty Service Honorarium



Best wishes
for your time
here at MRU!

Questions?

Thank you for your time!

Welcome to MRU and to the MRFA!