**Message from Campus Leadership to Announce Partnership**

Dear [students, faculty, staff, and/or campus community],

I am excited to announce that [Institution] is furthering our dedication to excellent teaching and student success by launching a partnership with the [Association of College and University Educators (ACUE)](https://acue.org/) to equip faculty members with evidence-based teaching practices.

Research shows that when faculty use evidence-based teaching practices, students are more engaged, learn more, persist in their studies, and graduate in stronger numbers. This partnership will prepare faculty to implement all of the essential teaching practices shown to improve student outcomes.

Faculty [in the X School/across multiple disciplines] will complete ACUE’s rigorous, 25-module [course name; for example, Course in Effective Teaching Practices] with a cohort of their colleagues and guided by a facilitator. The program requires course-takers to implement evidence-based teaching practices in their classes, complete written reflections, and engage in meaningful discussions with their colleagues. The course covers the following core competencies:

* Designing an effective course and class
* Establishing a productive learning environment
* Using active learning techniques
* Promoting higher order thinking
* Assessing to inform instruction and promote learning

Faculty who complete the course will be awarded a nationally recognized Certificate in Effective College Instruction that is endorsed by the American Council on Education (ACE). The partnership is supported by [the Office of the Provost/Center for Teaching and Learning/other].

I look forward to this next step in ensuring that our students receive the best education possible.

Sincerely,

[Campus leader]