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McMaster Connectivity Newsletter

For the IT community, by the IT community.

McMaster IT News

MacSecure to be removed on Wednesday July 8, 2020



In an effort to simplify access to the campus Wi-Fi network, UTS will remove

Wi-Fi users should ensure they are using the network named “Mac-WiFi” that appears in your available network list. Please rest assured that Mac-WiFi has identical security and access features as MacSecure. Since they are identical, there is no need to continue offering both networks.

We recommend you to begin using Mac-WiFi immediately.

[Read More](#)

Attend the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Film Festival (EDIFF) this July!



The UTS Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee is proud to present the second Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Film Festival (EDIFF)! EDIFF is an opportunity for the campus community to come together, watch shorts videos, and discuss perspectives about Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in an open space that encourages honest discussion. Please feel free to invite your colleagues.

Thank you to all who attended the first screening and facilitated discussion this past Friday. There are still three sessions scheduled from **Friday July 10 to July 24 at 3:00 p.m.** The selections are usually under 30 minutes with facilitated conversation to follow.

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Next session on Racism in Society: July 10 at 3:00 p.m.

Join at the link below or via Microsoft Teams code vz89d72

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McMaster Women in Tech: Stephanie Koehl

Technology touches every corner of our campus. The McMaster Women in Tech series recognizes that changemakers can come from within and beyond the IT community. Women working with technology are pursuing new ways to improve the experiences of students, staff, and faculty. [Read how our newest changemaker is pursuing tech through aviation, entrepreneurship, and leadership.](#)

Nominate yourself, a colleague, student, faculty member, or McMaster community member for this recognition.

[Nominate a Marauder](#)

In Conversation with Stephanie Koehl and Gayleen Gray



academic journey shaped her entrepreneurship, and creating a start-up called SkyVolt.

Technology Resources for McMaster Students



This month the Office of the AVP & CTO published the [Technology Resources for McMaster Students](#)—a collection of tools and tips for students to make the most of remote learning. This web page will continue to evolve as new information and student concerns arise. We encourage you to share this resource as well as the new [Student Success Centre \(SSC\) page](#) with tips for online learning success.

#MacTalksTech: MSU President Giancarlo Da-Ré and AVP & CTO Gayleen Gray



As the fall semester draws nearer, we've been hearing some common concerns from students about online learning. MSU President Giancarlo Da-Ré and AVP & CTO Gayleen Gray discuss online learning tools, tips for cyber security, how to build virtual student communities, and more.

Accessibility Webinars for Microsoft 365

By Jessica Blackwood (Science)

The Equity and Inclusion Office and the Faculty of Science have partnered to create an Accessible Document Creation webinar series supported by the MacPherson Institute. In these webinars, you will learn how to create accessible content using the Office 365 Program Suite, such as Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel, and Outlook, and best practices for inclusive communication.

Attendees will be provided with a "take-home" package comprised of video tutorials for future reference and to further develop their understanding of accessibility.

[Available Here](#)

McMaster Mail Migration Progress and Available Resources

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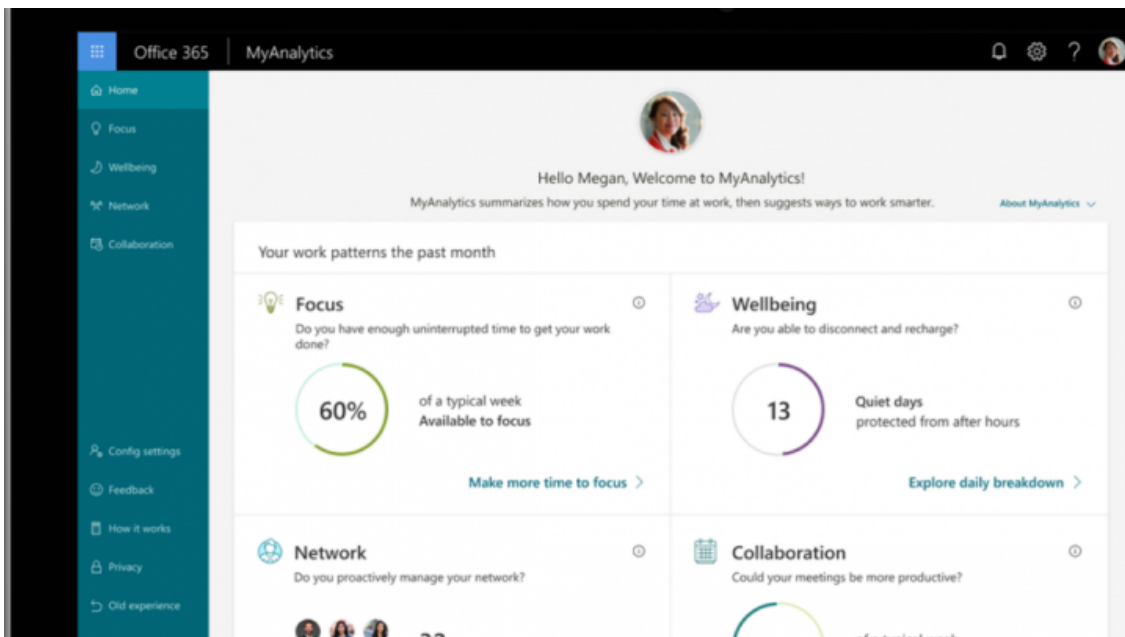
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Thank you to all partners across the McMaster IT community for supporting faculty, staff, retirees, and medical learners as they move to the 365 email and calendaring environment. To view departments in planning, in progress, or completed, [please see the project updates page.](#)

Microsoft MyAnalytics: New Feature for Faculty and Staff using McMaster Mail



The screenshot shows the Microsoft MyAnalytics dashboard. The top navigation bar includes "Office 365" and "MyAnalytics". The left sidebar lists navigation options: Home, Focus, Wellbeing, Network, Collaboration, Config settings, Feedback, How it works, Privacy, and Old experience. The main content area displays a personalized dashboard for a user named Megan. It includes a welcome message and a summary of work patterns for the past month. Key metrics shown include:

- Focus:** 60% of a typical week Available to focus. Question: "Do you have enough uninterrupted time to get your work done?"
- Wellbeing:** 13 Quiet days protected from after hours. Question: "Are you able to disconnect and recharge?"
- Network:** Question: "Do you proactively manage your network?"
- Collaboration:** Question: "Could your meetings be more productive?"

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MyAnalytics is a personal productivity assistant that generates reports on how you can focus, stay on track with projects, and follow up with important emails. Privacy is important, so only you are able to see these insights.

Not everyone will have access to MyAnalytics right away. Users will see MyAnalytics in their dashboard four weeks after their migration date to the new email service. After this period, MyAnalytics will have become familiar enough with your unique activities to make insightful and data-driven suggestions.

[Learn More](#)

Upcoming Microsoft 365 Training Sessions

Microsoft 365 functionality and features continue to develop and suit the diverse needs of staff and faculty. Training sessions are available for staff and faculty on Microsoft 365, such as the email and calendaring migration, Microsoft Teams, and how to leverage features that make these tools even more useful.

[Register](#)

Have a story or something you want to share with the IT Community?

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