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Tom Tobin
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Dear Tom:

On behalf of the Faculty Development and Instructional Design Center and the participants of the Teaching Effectiveness Institute held on Thursday, January 11, 2018, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to you for developing and presenting the workshops: *Universal Design for Learning: Way Beyond Accessibility* and *Three Paths to Academic Integrity on Campus*. Thank you for sharing your expertise at this semester's institute.

While unfortunately I wasn't able to personally attend your workshops, I understand from my staff that you expanded the way universal design is perceived and provided excellent ways to incorporate it in the classroom. And although your afternoon workshop was cut short due to the weather, I understand that you nicely presented ways that faculty can prevent incidents of academic integrity across disciplines.

I will soon send you a summary of the comments from the institute. The feedback I have heard so far indicates that your presentations were delightfully engaging and participants greatly benefited from your workshops. I am pleased that you were able to share your knowledge and experiences with NIU educators.

Thank you again for traveling to Northern Illinois University and offering the workshops on universal design and academic integrity. It was nice seeing you once again and visiting with you during dinner last Wednesday evening.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jason Rhode'.

Jason Rhode
Director