DEAN'S OFFICE DIGEST

Upcoming Deadlines

- Sabbaticals: The deadline to apply for a 2012-2013 sabbatical is THIS WEEK, Oct. 7. See PROWL for full information. [Read more]>

- Faculty interested in attending the ACM FaCE Workshop: High Stakes Performance by Liberal Arts Students, Nov 11-12, must contact Jeff Noblett THIS WEEK, by Oct 7. Details on PROWL.

- Promotion and Tenure evaluation letters due Oct. 12.

- Registration for Midwest Faculty Seminar: Crime and Social Order, which takes place Nov 3-5, is now open and closes Oct 14.

- Faculty interested in the July 2012 “Considering Animals” SAIL seminar should apply by Oct 17. Instructions are on PROWL.

NEWS FOR FACULTY:

2011-2012 Fellowships, Conferences, Seminars

- An ACM FaCE Workshop titled High Stakes Performance by Liberal Arts students: Understanding and Coping with Anxiety will take place Nov 11-12 at Macalester College. Please find the full description on PROWL. Interested faculty should contact Jeff Noblett THIS WEEK, by Oct 7.

- Christian Johnson Endeavor (CJE) Grant Announcement: There is a CJE grant funding available for faculty proposals for course development and affiliation/exchange development for 2011-2012 and summer 2012. CJE encourages innovative, discipline-specific, and interdisciplinary proposals that are clearly grounded in the needs of College departments and programs. Please see the memo on PROWL for full details on the endowment aims, eligible projects, and proposal submission instructions. The deadline for applying is Oct 21.

- CC is hosting FaCE Value: “Advances Through Collaboration,” the FaCE capstone conference on Oct. 28-30, 2011. It will bring together FaCE grant recipients, ACM Academic Deans, and other faculty across the consortium to review, assess, and discuss the impact of the FaCE collaborative projects. Let us know if you want a schedule.

- Faculty interested in participating in a site visit to the ACM Chicago Program in spring 2012 should apply by Nov 1. Site visits provide opportunities for ACM faculty to learn about consortial off-campus study sites and programs. The Chicago site visit will take place during the week of March 26 or April 16, 2012 (contingent on selected participants’ availability). In Chicago, faculty visitors will meet with students, faculty, and local affiliates, and will also contribute to the program by offering a guest lecture or master class. Details on PROWL.

Awards, Honors, and Achievements

Mike Taber, as a member of the Earth Exploration Toolbook Project Team, was awarded the 2011 SPORE award, a science prize for online resources in education from the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Shane Burns, a member of the Supernova Cosmology Project group, was honored this week when the group’s leader, Saul Perlmutter, was awarded the Nobel Prize in physics for work on supernovae. Shane is a co-author of the team’s most recent paper, published in June 2010 in the Astrophysical Journal.

Mellon Foundation grants fellowships in humanities to Duke U.

- The Mellon Foundation awarded Duke a $6 million, 5-year grant to redefine the role of the humanities in undergraduate education (called Humanities Writ Large). A key component of the grant is to bring visiting faculty in the humanities and interpretive social sciences from Liberal Arts and other colleges to join Duke faculty in re-defining common approaches to teaching and research in the humanities. Duke aims to have the first Visiting Faculty Fellows in residence for Spring 2012. The deadline for proposals is Oct. 17. For details, see PROWL.

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A NOTE FROM THE DEAN’S OFFICE:

Please check The Dean’s Office News Prowl Site for matters of current interest (conference, workshop deadlines), professional development opportunities, budget updates, various reports, and faculty agendas and minutes.

Please let us know if there’s something you want communicated to the faculty. We’ll try to post faculty accomplishments here as well, but we depend on you for that information.

2011 THIRD YEAR REVIEW
EVALUATION LETTER REQUESTS

The chairs of the executive divisional committees request letters evaluating these faculty for 3rd year review:

1. HUMANITIES
Sanjaya Thakur (Classics)
Jared Richman (English)
Marie Davis-Green (Drama/Dance)
Andreea Marinescu (Spanish)
Due Nov. 14 to Owen Cramer for Thakur, Re Evitt for Richman, to Shawn Womack for Davis-Green, and to Peter Blasenheim for Marinescu.

2. NATURAL SCIENCES
Emilie Gray (Biology)
Due Nov. 14 to Brian Linkhart.

3. SOCIAL SCIENCES
Esteban Gómez (Anthropology)
Due Nov. 14 to Mario Montaño.

The Faculty Commons is available to all faculty members for use throughout the year. Contact Erin Anstadt (erin.anstadt@coloradocollege.edu) or see the Dean's News PROWL for additional information.