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Call for 2013 University Teaching Award Nominations

Nominations for **the Eisenhower, Atherton, and Teaching Fellow Awards** are now being accepted. Students, faculty, staff, administrators, and friends of Penn State may nominate faculty for these awards. The nomination requires general information about the nominee and a brief statement that describes why the nominee deserves the teaching award. Information about the awards can be accessed at <http://www.schreyerinstitute.psu.edu/Awards>.

The deadline for submitting nominees is 5:00 p.m. on **June 30, 2013**.

If you have any questions about the faculty teaching awards or have trouble accessing the web nomination form, please call 814-865-8681 or send an email to SchreyerAdmin@psu.edu.

Spring 2013 Commencement

The College of Agricultural Sciences Spring 2013 Commencement exercises will be at Eisenhower Auditorium on **Saturday, May 4th at 9:00 AM**. We're pleased to announce one of our own alumni, **Dr. MeeCee Baker '82, '94 Ph.D.** Ag Education, will be our commencement speaker. Dr. Baker serves as managing partner and chief operating officer for Versant Strategies, a government affairs firm specializing in agribusiness and rural affairs.



2013 NACTA National Conference



The 2013 NACTA conference will be held **June 25-29** at Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA. This conference will be a joint meeting with the National Institute of Food and Agriculture

(NIFA), Division of Community and Education (DOCE).

The theme for the 2013 NACTA Conference is **"Crossing Disciplinary Boundaries."**

Additional information and link to submit abstract are available online at: <http://www.cpe.vt.edu/nacta/>

Summer Brown Bag Lunches for 2013

The Office for Undergraduate Education is once again offering a series of informal brown bag luncheon discussions this summer focusing on topics suggested by faculty and staff. Everyone is invited to gather at the Creamery (outside facing Ag Admin) for a fun and interesting discussion. Only one date has been confirmed so far, but an email update will be sent to every department as dates and facilitators are scheduled.



Date	Topic	Guest Speaker
June 11	Classroom management issues – what can instructors do?	Cindy Raynak, Senior Instructional Designer, The Schreyer Institute for Teaching Excellence

World on Trial Discussion

The DUS global advising team is starting a series of professional development events on global education and global advising and is happy to invite you to the first one. It will be dedicated to the first episode of *World on Trial*, an educational series produced through a partnership by Penn State Public Broadcasting, Penn State Law and Penn State's School of International Affairs. The series presents both sides of sharply contested international human rights issues in the context of courtroom trials before live multinational juries. Remote juries at distinguished universities throughout the world view the proceedings by video, deliberate, and also render verdicts. The purpose of *World on Trial* is to elevate public awareness of important human rights issues and the international treaties that govern state conduct with respect to human rights. Awareness of human rights issues is essential to academic advisers as these issues are reflected in both the undergraduate curriculum and also in the diverse backgrounds our students represent.

The pilot episode, which we will see and discuss, aired in Spring 2012. It examines the legality of France's 2004 "headscarf law", which forbids the wearing of conspicuous religious symbols in primary and secondary public schools. We are really lucky to have the Dean of Penn State Law Phil McConnaughay, who is the executive producer of *World on Trial*, host and facilitate the discussion. The event will take place on **Wednesday, May 8, from 3 to 5 PM in the Katz Building auditorium**. Light refreshments will be provided by our hosts from Penn State Law at the end of the discussion in the reception area next to the auditorium. Parking is available outside Katz Building if you have a parking permit; otherwise you can walk or take the Penn State shuttle.

Undergraduate Program Coordinator Meeting

The final Spring 2013 Program Coordinator Meeting is scheduled at **1:30-3:00 PM** on the following date and location:

Thursday, May 16 Room 118 ASI

Please mark your calendar and note the room location. We welcome your input and ideas for agenda items, so please feel free to add an item for discussion at this meeting.

Jim Dunn	AG BM and 2 AGB
Dennis Decoteau	HORT
Stephanie Doores	FD SC
John Ewing	AEE and AG SC
Tarrah Geszvain	AGECO
Les Griel	VB SC
Leland Glenna	CED
Pamela Hankey	IID
Jude Liu	A S M
Ellen Manno	FORSC, W F S, and W P
Megan Marshall	B E
Robert Mikesell	ANSCI
Rob Shannon	E R M
Dan Stearns	LSCPE
Jack Vanden Heuvel	TOX
Andrew Mc Nitt	TURF

Penn State Education Abroad



Get Connected with Penn State Education Abroad!

The University Office of Global Programs, Directorate of Education Abroad presents

"Passport to Education Abroad"

Friday, May 31, 2013

9:30 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.

410 Boucke Building

Boxed lunch provided • No cost to participate • Space is limited

Online RSVP registration deadline: **Wednesday, May 22nd**

Questions: Claudia Prieto, clp31@jp.psu.edu

World Campus Certificate for Online Teaching



Certificate for Online Teaching

OL 1000: Introduction to the World Campus

Explore an overview of the World Campus and the experience of teaching online.

OL 1800: Accessibility

This self-paced course guides participants through scenarios addressing University policies and resources available to support and accommodate learners' special needs.

OL 1900: Prove It!

OL 1900 builds on faculty competencies using many features of Penn State's Learning Management System (LMS), ANGEL.

Both faculty who are new to ANGEL and those looking for a refresher benefit from this course.

OL 2000: Effective Online Teaching

Four weeks

Participants gain essential skills to teach online and experience the student perspective of learning online. *Two to three hours per week.*

OL 2700: Online Presence

Three Weeks

Enhance your ability to establish and maintain online presence to engage students and foster a dynamic learning environment. *Two to three hours per week.*

Spring/Summer 2013 Registrations

Register for Spring semester offerings for both OL 2000 and OL 2700 starting:

May 6

June 3

July 1

Register for all OL Series Courses: <http://psuwcfacdev.ning.com/>

Bleed to Help Save Lives Campaign

What is it?

Bleed to Help Save Lives is a campaign for high school and college clubs and organizations and area youth athletic programs and clubs and their parents to organize an American Red Cross blood drive during the critical summer months. In return for their efforts, the American Red Cross will provide the school with a monetary award through a third party vendor to benefit the student athletic programs and clubs/organizations. The award can be used toward items such as trips, new equipment, uniforms, supplies, etc.

When is it?

To qualify for the Bleed to Help Save Lives campaign an American Red Cross blood drive must be held in the summer between May 24, 2013 and September 3, 2013.

How does it work?

The total number of productive blood pints collected at the American Red Cross summer blood drive will determine the amount of the award based on the following chart:

Productive Pints of Blood	Award Levels
30-45	\$250
46-100	\$350
101-150	\$500
151-200	\$600
201-250	\$700
251+	\$1000



A minimum of 30 productive pints must be collected to participate in Bleed to Help Save Lives.

How will the funds be awarded to the athletic program or club?

1. The athletic director and/or club advisor and/or principal from each high school will determine how the funds will benefit their program.
2. The Bleed to Help Save Lives Program Agreement should be filled out, signed and returned once the blood drive is booked and confirmed.
3. Once the signed Program Agreement is received, it will be reviewed and processed shortly after the blood drive is held to determine the award level.
4. To ensure compliance with FDA guidelines, the American Red Cross will contact the third party vendor identified by the school and provide the monetary award in the school's name.

Please direct questions to:

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 Visit PSU Red Cross at www.psuredcross.org

REMINDER: Student Privacy and Privacy Rights

Privacy and privacy rights have emerged as an important interest for all of us here at Penn State. It is especially important for our students. As individuals, and as members of the Penn State community, we have committed ourselves to preserving confidentiality. We have also committed ourselves to do right by our students. These are commitments that run deeply within the Senate and are shared by our colleagues throughout the university. It is to further this strong commitment to the important value of student privacy that we write to you today.



Our privacy policies are, to some extent, derived from federal law and regulations. Among the most important is the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974. FERPA governs how educational institutions control and safeguard their student education records. All employees of educational institutions who have access to student records must abide by FERPA requirements. For us at Penn State, that means that most faculty, if not all of us, likely come within these legal requirements as we tend to our usual business of teaching and otherwise interacting with students.

Because as Penn State faculty members we interact with students and have access to student records as part of our teaching and advising responsibilities, it is vital that we understand our obligations with respect to FERPA. That understanding requires a little bit of work on our part as faculty. However, in order to facilitate that learning, the Office of the University Registrar has developed an on-line FERPA tutorial and quiz available in ANGEL. The tutorial is intuitive and easy; working through it makes it easy to learn what is necessary to be respectful of student privacy concerns and to comply with our legal obligations.

As a consequence of the importance of our privacy policies and in order to ensure full compliance with our legal obligations, we believe it is important to make sure that all of us take the time to master the basic rules necessary to comply with FERPA. ***Beginning fall 2013, all faculty members will be required to demonstrate their understanding of FERPA by successfully completing the quiz. Failure to do so will prevent access to eLion for purposes of obtaining class lists, posting grades, and carrying out advising responsibilities.*** We know we can do this and we really appreciate your time and attention to this simple but effective and important process.

To ensure that all of us have the time to comply, we have decided to extend the time you have to complete the FERPA tutorial through most of the summer. We hope that this will provide you the necessary flexibility and minimize any inconvenience in meeting this important requirement. ***Please visit ANGEL to view the tutorial at your earliest convenience but prior to August 1, 2013:***

1. Go to <http://cms.psu.edu>
2. Press the "Logon" button and log in with your Penn State access account
3. Under My Groups, click on "Find a group"
4. In the Keyword Search box, enter "ferpa" and click on the Search button
5. Click on the "FERPA – Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act" link (instructor is Ross Brode)
6. Click on each module, read the material, and when finished, take the quiz

Depending on your prior knowledge of FERPA, the tutorial and quiz should together take no more than 45 minutes to complete. A grade of 70% or higher on the quiz is considered acceptable. You may take the quiz as many times as necessary to achieve a satisfactory grade. ***But please remember—if you do not work through the tutorial and pass the quiz you will not be able to access eLion after August 1, 2013.*** We are not asking you to do something we haven't done ourselves. Both of us have gone through the tutorial and have taken and passed the quiz.

Thank you for helping to ensure that Penn State adequately protects the confidentiality of our student records. If you have previously passed the FERPA quiz, you may ignore this notice. If you have any questions regarding the tutorial or the quiz, please contact Ross Brode in the Registrar's Office at rbb2@psu.edu or 814 865-6572.

Larry Catá Backer
Chair, University Faculty Senate

Karen Schultz
University Registrar

College of Agricultural Sciences Instruction & Curricular Affairs Committee Calendar 2012-2013

Proposals Due to College Administrator in CSCS system**	Send to ACUE Deans (if necessary) Post in ANGEL & notify committee for review	College Curricular Affairs Committee Meeting Dates and Location	Revisions Due back in CSCS and begin final approval process	*Proposals due to Faculty Senate	*Curriculum Report Publication Date (on Blue Sheets for 30 days)	*Senate Committee Curricular Affairs (SCCA) all day meeting
Friday April 5, 2013	April 8-9-10	Thurs. April 25, 2013 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. Room TBD	May 13, 2013	May 24, 2013	for June 11, 2013 Issue	August 20, 2013

* Dates posted by Faculty Senate.

Course proposals need to be completely through all CSCS consultation and ready to be sent to the college administrator (K. Pletcher) by this date to be reviewed at the college committee meeting. **Hard Copies are not required for the Course Proposals submitted via CSCS.

Once a course proposal has passed through the College's Instruction and Curricular Affairs Committee review process and been approved for submission to the Faculty Senate, the appropriate hard copies will be made by the college administrator and sent to the Senate for their review process. **A Hard Copy original and a PDF copy is required for all Program Proposals**—since they are NOT submitted via CSCS yet.

Senate Newsletters are posted to their website at: http://www.senate.psu.edu/senate_activity/newsletters.htm



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Thanks for a terrific Spring Semester!

**We hope everyone
has a great summer and will
look for the next issue of
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