Faculty Meeting Announcements – September 18, 2019

- Wednesday, Sept. 18, faculty are invited by Interim President Georgia Nugent to the Annual First Faculty Meeting Reception at the President's Home from 4:00 – 5:30 pm.

- The Everfi diversity and inclusion training module sponsored by the University Council for Diversity (UCD) should be completed by Sunday October 6th.

- Display space available at Ames Library!
  Are you an advisor with a group that has something to share? Does your department or program have a milestone to celebrate? A topic you’d like to raise awareness about?

  The Ames Library Exhibit Team invites any group on campus to contact us about utilizing display space in the library. There are several exhibit spaces in the library to promote student work, class projects, guest speakers, organizations, events, achievements or any topic of interest you’d like to share with the campus community. If your group is interested in scheduling a display, please contact Meg Miner at mminer@iwu.edu or x1538.

- Sodexo is pleased to offer a special dining rate for faculty and staff both at the Dugout ($7.50) and the Commons ($5.00). With the meal plan changes for students, you will find that the Dugout is more accessible (less busy during lunch) and that the Commons is busier (with some wait times at peak hours).

- Colleagues, The IWU Career Fair is just around the corner -- Monday, September 23, 4 pm to 6:30 pm at Shirk Center. Over 90 organizations offering internships, full-time post-graduate employment opportunities, and volunteer experiences will be in attendance to meet with IWU students. Please see the attached poster.

  Faculty members are invited to stop by the fair to meet our incredible employers and learn about their organizations and available internships and full-time opportunities. Most employers will be set up by 3:30 pm, so between 3:30 and 4 pm is an ideal time to visit (however, you can visit any time!).

  Please encourage your students to attend. This career fair is the only time this year that 90+ employers (our largest attendance in history) will be gathered on the IWU campus. ALL students, regardless of their major, or year in school, are welcome and encouraged to attend! Employers participating represent a variety of industries including: Business -- Social Services -- Education -- Sustainability -- Law -- Sports/Recreation -- Media -- Insurance -- Arts & Design -- Museums -- Finance/Banking -- Accounting -- Logistics -- Government -- Criminal Justice.

  We need your support to encourage your students to take advantage of this excellent opportunity to explore options, make connections, and practice those valuable networking skills. The success of our students is vitally important to the health of our university. While they have done very well in past years, the Hart Career Center needs our faculty partners to ensure that students understand the importance of attending this event. Thank you for helping us spread the word -- and hope to see you there! Warren Kistner, Director, Hart Career Center
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- **Dialogues across the Disciplines** is hosting a talk by Irv Epstein on **Wednesday September 25 at 4pm in the Beckman Auditorium of Ames Library.** Professor Epstein is the Ben and Susan Rhodes Professor of Peace and Social Justice, Chair, Department of Educational Studies, and Director of the Center for Human Rights and Social Justice. He will speak on "Addressing Global School Violence: Internal and External Examples of Destructive Affect." Two students, Drew Hiller and Kira Schoen, will serve as respondents as is customary in the Dialogues series. The paper is available ahead of the talk, please e-mail jsimeone@iwu.edu for a copy.

- **From Joanne Diaz, English Dept Chair:** Dear colleagues, I want to acknowledge the work that Kathie O’Gorman has been doing at the U.S. border over the past couple of years. As you might know, Kathie has been interviewing children detained by the U.S. government at Customs and Border Protection facilities in Texas. If you want to learn more about Kathie’s work, she will be sharing stories of her experiences this semester. Here is some information about those events:

  Kathie will be giving a talk entitled "Children in Cages: Speaking of the Unspeakable" at ISU on Tuesday, September 17, at 7:00 p.m. in 314 Williams Hall. The talk is free and open to the public.

  Kathie will be making a presentation about those same experiences with help from students who are a part of the "Not in Our Schools" subgroup affiliated with "Not in Our Town" at Heartland Community College on October 15. It is free and open to the public (time and place TBD).

  Kathie will be the keynote speaker for the semi-annual fundraising luncheon of The Immigration Project, a local non-profit agency offering legal services to documented and undocumented immigrants in 86 counties of downstate Illinois (mid-November; time and date TBD).

  I also want to recognize Mignon Montpetit, who has organized a fundraiser on behalf of Kathie, who has been making these trips to the border with her own money. If you are interested in supporting Kathie’s work, here is the [link](#) to that fundraising page:

- Please share this with your students: If you have a strong business idea, are a passionate innovator, entrepreneurially minded and interested in developing your business idea then submit your proposal for the IWU Entrepreneurial Fellowship for a chance to receive a $5,000 grant.

  The IWU Entrepreneurial Fellowship will provide a student (or group of students) the opportunity to pursue their entrepreneurial passion under the supervision of a faculty member and guidance of a successful entrepreneur. **Fall semester deadline is October 7th, 2019.** Application available at: [https://www.iwu.edu/business/entrepreneurial-fellowship-application.pdf](https://www.iwu.edu/business/entrepreneurial-fellowship-application.pdf).

- **IWU Freeman Asia Internship Program** - Funded Internship Opportunities in Asia: Hong Kong, Japan, Thailand and the Philippines Summer 2020

  Please announce to students the following events: Poster Presentations by 2019 IWU Freeman Asia Interns (with refreshments): Tuesday, September 24, 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.; Joslin Atrium, Memorial
Center Information sessions at Welcome Center Auditorium: Tuesday, October 15, 2019, 4:00 – 5:15 p.m. Monday, December 9, 2019, 4:00 – 5:15 p.m.

**Application deadline: January 30, 2020** (Application submission through Terra Dotta portal will be discussed at the Information Session.) Through the generous support of the Freeman Foundation, IWU will again be able to support approximately 34-36 students to do internships in Asia for 6-10 weeks this summer 2020. This opportunity is available to both domestic and international students who are sophomores or juniors at the time of application and who will return to the IWU campus for at least a semester following the internship. Funding support includes: airfare, housing, living allowance ($1,200 or equivalent) and all internship placement and visa costs. Students are required to register and pay tuition for summer internship credit at IWU at deeply discounted tuition rate. There is a limit of one internship award per student. Students who are interested in the internship experience in Asia but could not count the internship for their major or minor program can still participate by registering for UNIV 397 or 398 and count the credit as elective. For more information, please contact Teddy O. Amoloza at tamoloza@iwu.edu

- **Fiction**: The Hansen Student Center is only for student run event and activities. **Fact**: All are welcome to host events and activities in the Hansen Student Center. If you are interested in hosting a small or large event within the Hansen Student Center, please contact Kevin Carey, Director of Student Involvement, at kcarey@iwu.edu. You can also utilize 25Live to locate availability of the space.

- **Posse Mentor Application – Deadline Oct. 7**
  Posse mentors forge a special mentoring relationship with a cohort of 10 students from New Orleans, Louisiana. This critical mentoring role taps your best qualities as teacher, advisor, mentor and inclusive community builder at IWU. The rewards are in the dynamic successes of these amazing students, the opportunity to impact inclusion in powerful ways, and the amazing ways that students shape us personally and professionally. Link here to the application process and a description of the roles/responsibilities/compensation. Deadline is October 7. Questions? Contact Karla Carney-Hall.

- **Save the date for these Fact or Fiction September events**
  - Annual Human Rights Workshop, “Facts or Fictions” Sept. 19, 4:30pm, Hansen
  - Diversity Progress Report, Thursday, September 26, 6:00 pm, Davidson room: Please join the UCD for a discussion of this past year’s successes and opportunities regarding campus diversity and inclusion. We will also continue discussions about what we hope to see in the new strategic plan related to diversity and inclusion.

- **Save the Date: Posse Plus Retreat – January 31-Feb. 2**
  This year’s Posse Plus Retreat is a bit earlier than previous years! We hope this will help students and faculty have fewer academic pressures with a weekend leadership experience. Please save the date for Jan. 31-Feb. 2. We will return to Lake Williamson in Carlinville again this year. (And again, this year, we will work on reliable transportation – thanks for your patience!)