

Brown Bag Luncheon: The first Brown Bag Luncheon of this academic year is scheduled for October 13th from 11:45 to 12:45 pm in the Provost Conference Room. The topic is “Curriculum: Free Electives”. Please contact my office to reserve a seat. A light lunch will be available.

COMMITTEES:

Faculty Handbook:

The Faculty Handbook Committee has finalized language on Hybrid Faculty/Staff Positions and continues its work on the promotion and tenure criteria for librarians.

ASIAN STUDIES CONCENTRATION:

The University of Scranton’s Asian Studies concentration, along with the Abington Heights School District, were selected to receive the Commonwealth’s 2011 “Bringing the World to Pennsylvania: K-16 Collaboration Award” for their innovative cooperation on Chinese language and cultural instruction.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON CURRICULUM (CCC):

During its September 2011 meeting, the committee reviewed the following courses:

Courses listed below are being offered as first-year seminars in fall 2011.

ENLT 184 x.1 Dystopian Visions	Approved for CL for fall 2011
ENLT 184 x.2 Imagining College	Approved for CL for fall 2011
ENLT 184 x.3 Introduction to Irish Culture	Approved for CL for fall 2011
THTR 184.1 Performance	Approved for CA for fall 2011
WRTG 107.1 Reading 9/11	Approved for basic writing for fall 2011

Courses listed below are offered regularly and newly approved for the designations indicated.

CNS 101-102 Introductory Chinese I and II	Approved for CF
CNS 211-212 Intermediate Chinese I and II	Approved for CF
CNS 311-312 Advanced Chinese I and II	Approved for CF and D

Courses listed below were submitted for alterations or additions to the approved designations.

Course Change

PHIL 227: Political Philosophy	Posted 3/2/11
FIN 361: Working Capital Management	Posted 5/9/11
COUN 590: Practicum Community Counseling	Posted 2/28/11
COMM 433: Television Criticism	Posted 3/2/11

New Course

T/RS 243: Christ & Qur'an	Posted 3/2/11
FIN 384: Fixed Income Securities & Markets	Posted 5/9/11
EADM 602: Superintendent Leadership & Best Practices in Special Education	Posted 2/25/11
ESLS 503: Introduction to the English Language Learner	Posted 4/13/11
PHIL 334: Hannah Arendt: Human Existence	Posted 2/28/11
ENLT 258: Contemporary American Fiction	Posted 2/28/11
COMM 101: Communication and Society	Posted 2/28/11

Course Deletion

EDUC 348: Integrated Method Elementary Math/Social Studies	Posted 11/23/11
EDUC 349: Integrated Method Elementary Language Arts/Social Studies	Posted 11/23/11

Program Change

PSYC – Switch Semester for 1 st yr GE	Posted 9/29/11
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UPDATES:

CAS

On Friday, October 21, the College of Arts and Sciences and the Academic Theatre Program will play host to one of the most celebrated playwrights working today. Sarah Ruhl, two-time Pulitzer Prize finalist and MacArthur Genius award winner, will be on campus for two special sessions: a Q & A with students at 5pm in CLP 104 and talk at 8pm in Brennan 228. Both events are free and the talk is open to the public. This event precedes the University of Scranton Players' production of *The Clean House* which will open Friday, October 28. *The Clean House* was short-listed for the Pulitzer Prize in 2005 and won the Susan Smith-Blackburn prize.

THE FRESHMEN SEMINAR AND CURRICULUM REVISION

The deans and provost's office are actively working with the FSCC and the Senate's APC to develop and implement the Freshmen Seminar, and to develop an *eloquentia perfecta* program. There will be more public on this very soon.