

TO: Faculty Senate Report

FROM: Harold W. Baillie, Ph.D.
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

DATE: February 6, 2012

RE: Provost's Report for February 2012

I. FACULTY SEARCHES:

We are conducting twelve faculty searches; as of this date three have been successfully concluded.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE SEARCHES:

The search for the Director of International Student and Scholar Services will likely be concluded by the end of February, and results will be announced then.

III. RANK AND TENURE:

The Board of Rank and Tenure held formal meetings on January 13, 14, 20 and 21 to review the applications of twenty-one candidates. The President has received the Board's recommendations, as well as mine. His decisions will be presented to the candidates as soon as they are available.

IV. FULBRIGHT NOMINATIONS:

This year Dr. Susan Trussler and her Fulbright Committee nominated ten students. We have just been notified that seven students are National Finalists. This year there were over 9,700 applicants for the approximately 1,000 awards nationwide. Our finalists are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Application Field</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Major(s)</u>
Ashley Arroyo	Teaching ESL	Spain	Sec. Ed.; Spanish; ESL (MS)
Allison Carey	Interdisciplinary	Taiwan	International Lang. – Business
Ellen (Maggie) Coyne	Teaching ESL	S. Korea	Elem.Ed./Early Childhood
Anna DiColli ('10)	Public Health	Spain	Neuroscience
Kathleen Lavelle	Teaching ESL	Spain	Biochemistry C.M.B.; Hispanic Studies
Nicole Linko	Business	Estonia	International Business
Ryan Pipan	Teaching ESL	Taiwan	

V. FELLOWSHIP APPLICATIONS:

During 2010-2011, we nominated 2 students to the Goldwater Scholarship, two students to the Harry S. Truman Scholarship, 3 students for the NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship, 1 student to the NSEP Boren Scholarship, 1 student to the NSF Graduate Research Fellowship, and 1 student to the U.S. Department of State: Critical Language Scholarship Program. One Student was named a Truman Scholar (one of 60 nationally), one was named a Goldwater Scholar (one of 275 nationally), and two were named NCAA Scholars (out of 87 nationally).

In 2011-2012, we nominated two students for the Marshall Scholarship; one was named a Finalist but did not receive the scholarship. We nominated one student for the Rhodes scholarship (not selected for an interview) and one student for the Gates Cambridge Scholarship; the applicant for the Gates was not selected but was offered a fully-paid interview for the Laboratory of Molecular Biology Cambridge Scholarship, the results of which will be known in February. In the fall, we nominated one student for the National Sigma Tau Delta scholarship. We are in the process of nominating three students for the Goldwater Scholarship, and we will nominate one applicant for the NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship. We may nominate one applicant for the Truman Scholarship in 2012.

VI. MEDICAL SCHOOL ACCEPTANCES:

In 2011, 55 applicants received a total of 106 acceptances to doctoral health professions schools. Three students are participating in fully-funded M.D./Ph.D. programs, two have Navy scholarships to medical school, and another has an Army scholarship.

As of this date in 2012, 23 students have received a total of 44 acceptances to 25 different medical schools; 7 students have received 21 acceptances to 12 different dental schools, 5 students were accepted to 3 separate optometry schools and 1 student was accepted to podiatry school. The number of acceptances will continue to develop throughout the spring and summer.

VII. FACULTY DEVELOPMENT:

Grant Proposals:

Calls for proposals for Clavius Funding and Summer Grant Application were sent out to faculty on January 24th.

Request for nominations for the Provost Awards for Faculty Enhancement Awards will be sent out to the Deans and Department Chairs on January 27th. The Provost Advisory Group will assist the Provost and Associate Provost in making the final determination on the awards recipients. The awards will be presented at the Faculty Appreciation Day dinner scheduled for March 30th from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in The DeNaples Center's Ballroom

VIII. PROVOST'S TRAVEL:

In January, I attended two conferences: the Association of American Colleges and Universities (AAC&U), and the CAO/institutional representatives meeting of the New American Colleges and Universities (NACU). I chair the CAO/institutional representatives group and am an ex-officio member of the President's Committee.

Preparing of TEAC Teacher Education Accreditation proposal in March 2012 and visit in September 2012

Community Counseling and Occupational Therapy is undertaking their self-study

The Counseling and Human Service program has been re-accredited to 2016

In March 2012 new equipment will be installed in the Counselor Training Center

- There are a high number of students transferring into the Counseling & Human Services major.

PCPS Positive Student Learning Outcomes

The Nursing Licensure Examination pass rate for the class of 2011 was 94.3%

Kady Luchetti, a senior Community Health Education student, was awarded a SOPHE scholarship to attend the SOPHE Health Advocacy Summit, March 3-5, 2012 in Washington, DC. <http://www.sophe.org/advocacysummit.cfm>

- Thirty-five posters were presented at the National Poster session in fall 2011 with posters on Professional Issues (Student and Faculty Research) from the University's Rehabilitation Counseling, School Counseling, and Community Counseling Programs.

Service-Learning Success Stories from Faculty, Students and Staff from PCPS

- During Intersession, Dr. Cathy Lovecchio, Assistant Professor in U CS

- The Second Annual Conference on Aging will take place on our campus on April 12. The keynote speaker is Dr. Bruce Ames of the University of California, Berkeley, an internationally recognized researcher on the biology of aging. This year, our faculty members working in aging studies have submitted \$1.5 million in grant applications, an increase of 250% over last year.
- During the January Intersession, the College offered model "transformational education" courses on Christianity in Uganda, on Women and Development in Mexico, and on Crime and Urban Health in Los Angeles. The courses integrated advanced coursework with service in hospitals, schools, and non-governmental organizations serving the poor.

X. CURRICULUM APPROVALS:

Course Change	Date Posted
Add EC 251: Introduction to Electronics Business	9/22/11
T/RS remove Z designation	9/26/11
SPAN 310: Medical Spanish	11/16/11
PHIL 412J: Arts & Metaphysics	11/21/11
OT 581: Internship I: Psychosocial Rehab	11/21/11
OT 582: Internship II: Physical Rehab	11/21/11
OT 583: Internship III: Specialty	11/21/11
New Course	
T/RS 340: Theologies of Work and Rest	11/15/11
THTR/ENLT 276: American Drama, 1916-1968	11/29/11
WRTG 223: Rhetoric and Public Discourse	11/18/11
PHIL 295: Chinese Phil/Culture in Taiwan	11/18/11

XI. OFFICE OF EQUITY AND DIVERSITY

The Office of Equity and Diversity (OED) is pleased to announce a collaboration with TCMC

segment, the National Conversation on Prosperity and the Public Good has taken a leap forward. Many distinguished Rwandan leaders have agreed to take part in the weekly radio show, which is affirming with regard to acceptance of the project.

Ms. Myers plans to publish a sequel to The New Rwanda handbook which will feature more

- The University of Scranton Concert Choir joined with The Catholic Choral Society and three other regional choirs (one elementary school, one middle school, and one high school) to perform a concert in celebration of the 10th anniversary of the "Generations Sing!" collaborations at St. Peter's Cathedral in Scranton.
- 44th Annual Noel Night featured The University of Scranton Singers, String Orchestra, and Chamber Ensembles, with pianist Ron Stabinsky and guest trumpeter Mark Gould (director, NYTE). Father President welcomed the audience, and speakers included Dr. Baillie and Dr. Leonard Gougeon, and seniors members of the choir. Major work for the evening was Bach's Cantata No. 142, *For Us A Child Is Born*. (An alumni instrumental ensemble made a cameo appearance, joining the singers in performing a gospel arrangement of The Hallelujah Chorus.)
- More than 200 students performed in The 10th Annual Empty Stocking Fund Benefit Concert. Audience members contributed new toys, piece of children's clothing, or cash to gain admission and brighten the holidays for children in need in our area. Approximately 650 toys and pieces of clothing, and cash donations in excess of \$700 were given to the United Neighborhood Centers Project Hope Christmas outreach programs. (Project Hope Liaison: Michael McHale, '84)
- The recently formed Scranton Brass Orchestra performed their second concert to a large and loudly appreciative audience. Christian Jaudes and Joseph Boga were guest soloists, and the ensemble is co-directed by Cheryl Y. Boga and Mark Gould.

Student musicians from Pesticuld.