

Meeting of Department and Program Chairs

11-19-09

Notes

1. Welcome
2. Faculty Job Ad Language: Jeff shared some feedback from Dan Bernstein about a possible alternative or additional question departments might ask of candidates when they interview: think of a teaching challenge or problem you have encountered. This could show candidates the college's interest on teaching and may distinguish Augustana from other schools. The history department shared that they have done this as a part of the job talk and found it not only helpful, but have received very positive feedback from the candidates who participated.
3. Transfer Matters: A meeting will take place in the coming weeks with six of the largest departments on campus to start the conversation on the second stage of the plan to attract transfer students with A.A. degrees. Jeff invited faculty to consider a trip to Harper and C.O.D. to meet faculty from respective departments. On Saturday, November 21st Darrin Good, along with admissions, will host 42 community college students from the Chicago area Curate Program to participate in the cadaver lab and learn more about transferring to Augustana.
4. Course Master: Liesl reminded faculty that the summer session call in out and that submissions are currently being accepted
5. Leadership Conference: Craig Van Sandt described the Leadership Conference hosted by the Air Force Academy which takes place in February at the end of our winter term finals. Augustana could send up to four students. Minimal costs for institution (travel for students only) and CVR has agreed to assist with those costs.
6. General Education: LSFY-102 & 103 caps currently set at 22, if college unable to offer more sections, caps will increase. Evergreen II passed Senate this week and Margaret invites new models for LCs to be offered immediately. She will forward the revised document to faculty soon.
7. Announcements:
 - a. FWC is considering changes to the timeline for pre-tenure review materials.
 - b. Handbook being looked at for revisions.
 - c. Campus Celebration is Tuesday, November 24th at 10:30 and 4:30 in Wallenberg the entire campus is invited.
 - d. Meeting for Fall 2010 East Asia Term on December 17th