

THE BUZZ: Academic Affairs Weekly Newsletter



Calls for Nominations - Faculty Awards

Sister Linda Kulzer Gender Educator Award: nominations due **February 24, 2022:** [Sister Linda Kulzer Gender Education Award Nomination Form](#)

For complete details see the 1/24/22 Academic Affairs email.

Jennifer Galovich Service Award: nominations due by **6 p.m. on Monday, March 21, 2022** at the following link: [Jennifer Galovich Service Award Nomination Form](#)

For complete details see the 2/10/22 Academic Affairs email.

Pandemic Planning Committee

The PPC shared the following changes to our temporary masking requirement (*see email dated 2/14/22*):

Beginning February 20 through March 18

Masks are required:

- In classrooms.
- While attending or participating in our large performance venues (CSB Escher Auditorium, CSB Colman Theater, CSB Gorecki Family Theater, and SJU Humphrey Theater) and attending indoor athletics events.
- On buses, public transportation, and in counseling and health services facilities due to federal regulation.
- When directed to mask by a CSB/SJU COVID Coordinator following an exposure or COVID-positive test result.

Masks are strongly encouraged, but not required:

- In any other indoor spaces.
- Fully vaccinated and boosted presenters can choose to unmask during presentations if they are able to socially distance.

Beginning March 19

- Masks are optional for all individuals, except on buses, public transportation, and in counseling and health services facilities due to federal regulation.
- Indoor performance venues may require masks based on most current performance industry guidelines.

- Spectators at indoor athletic events may be required to mask based on the most current MIAC and/or NCAA guidelines.
- Faculty or staff can still choose to require masking in their individual classrooms or offices.

Please keep in mind that the situation around COVID-19 has been known to change rapidly. Our Pandemic Planning Committee will continue to meet regularly to review the situation and make adjustments if needed.

Innovation Fund News

Congratulations: An Innovation Fund Award was awarded to Bennett, Frensko, Jessica Harkins and Jonathan Nash, who proposed development of a digital humanities program.

Innovation Fund information: We continue to accept applications and they will be reviewed and awarded on a rolling basis. Submissions: <https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/OMPXL2BOKI>.
See complete information in 11/8 email sent from Academic Affairs

Research and Grants Office

Writing Retreat: Want to make progress on that project you've been working on? Sign up for the **Spring Break Writing Retreat** at the SJU Learning Commons. Enjoy 3 days of unstructured work time and shared meals with colleagues. Faculty and administrative staff welcome.

When: **Tue. 3/8 - Thu. 3/10, 8:30a - 4:30p**
Where: SJU, Alcuin & the Learning Commons
Cost: Free

Learn more & register here: <https://www.csbsju.edu/research-and-grants-office/supporting-research/writing-retreats>

Honors Scholars

Call for Course Proposals for Honors Scholars for Community and Collaborative Leadership

Deadline: **Tuesday March 15, 2022**

Notification: Friday April 7, 2022

May Workshop for all Honors Scholars instructors: Wednesday May 18, 2022

We are accepting applications for all [five courses in the Honors Scholars curriculum](#). If your course is adopted, you automatically become an “Honors Faculty Fellow” and participate in the on-going shaping of the program. It is a three-year commitment during which each fellow will teach their Honors Scholars course at least twice, evaluate prospective students’ applications to the Honors Scholars program at least once, participate in program assessment, attend at least one Honors co-curricular event per semester, and participate in a yearly May workshop. It is a

significant service commitment; the Honors Director will write a letter for the tenure and promotion files of Honors Fellows to recognize their service.

Before preparing your proposal, please consult the description of the [Honors Scholars Program](#) and [curriculum](#) on our website. Note: All Honors Scholars courses fulfill Integrations Curriculum requirements. (You do not need to propose your course to the GECC at this time; adopted courses will be required to do so before there are scheduled.). Please contact Beth Wengler, ewengler@csbsju.edu, Honors Scholars Director, or Emily Esch, eesch@csbsju.edu, Honors Scholars Associate Director with questions. Please submit course proposals here: <https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/92SANU9OIX>

Experience Hub

Center for Global Education

There's still time for students to apply for a 2022-2023 semester study abroad program! The Center for Global Education is still accepting second-round applications for all 2022-2023 programs. Encourage students to complete their application on the [CSBSJU-Global Portal](#) by **Monday, February 21 at noon**. [CGE staff](#) are here to help!

XPD- Experience & Professional Development

Are your advisees looking for a job or internship for the summer? NOW is the time for them to register for the *FREE* MN Private Colleges Job and Internship Fair where 250 employers will be looking for talented Bennies and Johnnies. This exclusive job and internship fair brings together employers from a variety of industries just for private college students from across the State...all at ONE in-person and ONE virtual fair.

Students can register for one or both events! The in-person option will be held on **Thursday, February 24 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.** in Minneapolis (XPD will provide transportation if needed). Students can also connect with alums over a free lunch that day. Registration is required by February 20 for the in-person fair, transportation and lunch! The virtual fair option is on **Tuesday, March 1 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.** Registration opens **February 15** on Handshake.

FYX

The First Year Experience (FYX) is pleased to announce the application to teach the College Success Course (INTG 105) this coming Fall 2022 is now open! [F22 College Success Course Instructor Application Form](#) (see 2/13/22 email from Kari Shane Davis Zimmerman for more information)

The College Success Course, formerly designated INTG 105 as part of CSB/SJU's [Integrations Curriculum](#), is a major component of the [First Year Experience](#) (FYX). The purpose of this 1-credit course is to help entering first year students make a successful transition to CSB/SJU.

Content intentionally builds upon lessons introduced during the [Beginning the Journey](#) online orientation series launched in late June prior to a student's formal arrival on campus. The course aims to: foster a sense of belonging, promote engagement in curricular and co-curricular campus life, articulate expectations of students, and help students continue to clarify their purpose, meaning and direction in their professional and personal lives.

INTG 105 meets 1x per week for 55 minutes throughout the fall semester. Each section of the course is assigned a peer mentor (with either junior or senior standing) who has been vetted and trained to provide personalized guidance and mentorship to students in her/his class section prior to the start of the course. Administration seeks to cap course sections to 24 students for AY 2022-2023.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue through mid-March. Instructors can expect to be notified no later than March 15th. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kari-Shane Davis Zimmerman (KDavis@csbsju.edu).

IT Services

Creating a New Team: With a recent uptick in questions about creating new Teams just a reminder these are the steps (also found in Tools -> Technology Help):

- Log onto the [Network Account Management Portal](#).
- Select **My Organization**.
- Select **My Teams**.
- Select **Create New Team** on the right side.
- Complete all fields.
- Click **Create**.
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Faculty Governance

Joint Faculty Senate (JFS) meeting: Tuesday, March 1 at 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Joint Faculty Assembly (JFA) meeting: Thursday, March 17 4:30-5:30 p.m.

For more information regarding these meetings watch for emails from jfachairandvicechair@csbsju.edu

The Buzz on Campus

Women Empowerment: A Conversation with Amelia Hardy: February 17 7:30 p.m. Gorecki 204B: presented by the Sister of Nancy Hynes Institute for Women's Leadership

Amelia Hardy has over 20 years of strategic and P&L leadership roles at Fortune 100 companies in marketing, strategy, brand management, business development, product commercialization and business management. She is Vice President-Inclusion and Diversity Strategic Initiatives at Best Buy Corporation.

Craft Talk by Heid Erdrich - February 17, 2:30pm (virtual): The Literary Arts Institute welcomes Heid Erdrich, our virtual writer-in-residence for a craft talk. Heid is the author of seven collections of poetry including her most recent publication, *Little Big Bully*. Heid will share insights and answer questions from the Zoom audience. She has won fellowships and awards from the National Poetry Series, Native Arts and Cultures Foundation, the McKnight Foundation, and more. Zoom Link: <https://csbsju.zoom.us/j/93461746396> [More Information](#)

Expect WOW with MOMIX! Special pricing for CSB/SJU Fac/Staff – February 19 at 7:30 p.m. Escher Auditorium: See beauty and art come alive on stage with MOMIX! Combining illusion, magic, fun and inventiveness, MOMIX will transport you to new worlds. Using outrageous costumes, inventive props and pure talent MOMIX creates an entertaining multimedia experience that will surprise, enchant and astonish. [More Information](#)

The Benedictine Institute Lunch n Learn, February 22 11:30-12:30 p.m. Quad 264: Enjoy a free lunch with fellow colleagues while listening to a presentation on “Leadership from a Benedictine Perspective” from our Transitional Presidents Laurie Hamen and James Mullen. Registration is required. [Click here to register!](#) Past *Lunch and Learn* presentations are found [here](#). Questions? Contact Trisa at tschaeffe001@csbsju.edu.

Do you have information for The Buzz? If you have information you would like included in The Buzz please submit to this link: [The BUZZ information](#)