From the Provost

Academic Program Prioritization Forum – August 16, 3-4:30 pm, SJU: On July 14, an update was sent from the president and provost via the Academic Affairs email to the internal CSB+SJU community, sharing the Academic Program Prioritization report. Now that you have had the opportunity to read this report, we anticipate that you may have questions. President Bruess and Richard Ice will hold an in-person forum about Academic Program Prioritization on Tuesday, August 16 from 3:00-4:30 p.m. in the Stephen B. Humphrey Theater (SBH) at SJU.

Fall Forum and Workshop Dates: The All-Campus Community Forum will be held on August 23 (CSB Gorecki 204) 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. and the Student Experience Workshop (formerly the Academic Affairs Workshop) will be held on August 24 (CSB Gorecki 204) 8:30-11:30 a.m. More details will be posted on the Bulletin Board and sent via email from Academic Affairs. An RSVP will be requested so please watch for these communications.

CSB/SJU All College Convocation Ceremony - August 29 9:00 a.m. SJU Abbey/University Church You are invited to join this joint event planned for Monday, August 29 to celebrate the opening day of the 2022-23 academic year. Please watch for more information about this event on the Bulletin Board and communicated from Academic Affairs.

Faculty Governance

Title IX Proposed Policy and Procedure and Sexual-Misconduct - Complaint Procedures – see email sent from Academic Affairs on 7/26/22. Comments due to Terri Rodriguez, Chair of the Faculty Handbook Committee, on or before the close of business on August 9, 2022.

Welcome to the new JFS Chair and Vice-Chair!
JFS Chair: Parker Wheatley
JFS Vice-Chair: Carrie Hoover
Innovation Fund

**Innovation Fund Information:** The purpose of the innovation fund for academic areas is to explore and launch initiatives aimed at increasing enrollment, identifying new revenue streams, or ways to reduce costs. Proposals must be for innovation, not for modification. That is, the proposal should be a significant advancement, not simply making an incremental change that would produce minimal outcomes. Some examples of innovative proposals could include development of a new academic program, curricular innovation, developing partnerships with other institutions, creation of new programs or revenue streams when classes are not in session (for example summer programs), or developing collaborations with community partnerships.

Funds can be used for stipends or course releases to develop the program, engaging with outside consultants or outside partnerships, to pilot or start up an initiative, and other relevant costs associated with your innovative proposal. The funds are not intended for ongoing projects or current programs or for capital investments or improvements. This is your opportunity to think big and to get the funding to launch your ideas.

Applications will be taken through [https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/OMPXL2BOKI](https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/OMPXL2BOKI). The key to a successful application is to explain why your project is innovative and to demonstrate it will have a significant impact on revenue generation, either through increased enrollment or development of additional revenue streams or has the potential for significant cost reduction. We continue to accept applications and they will be reviewed and awarded on a rolling basis.

Submissions: [https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/OMPXL2BOKI](https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/OMPXL2BOKI).  
See complete information in 11/8/22 email sent from Academic Affairs

Development Opportunities

**Writing/Working Retreat @ Learning Commons – August 8-10:** Claim some time for that project you’ve been working on ... or meaning to get to ... or dreading and avoiding... Sign up for the August 8-10 writing/working retreat at Alcuin and the Learning Commons. Join us Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 8:30a-4:30p for concentrated work time, low-level accountability, and delicious (and free) food with great colleagues!  
Register here: [https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/2HOLAZU71A](https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/2HOLAZU71A)  
More Information

**Academic Impressions Membership:** CSB+SJU continues to provide us access to Academic Impressions, an organization specializing in professional development resources for higher education employees. All faculty and staff at CSBSJU have membership access to thousands of training resources, many of which are on demand or virtual workshops. Examples of topics include trainings for early career faculty, mid-career faculty, retention, meeting students’ needs, DEI, leadership, and personal development. Accessing your Academic Impressions member resources is a breeze with SSO (Single sign-on).  
Please log in using your existing CSBSJU Login and start learning today!
Planning for Instructional Technology Day January 2023: Please help us plan an Instructional Technology Day with sessions you’ll find value in. This survey gives you a number of ways to tell us what you’re interested in learning about, lets you tell us about a session you’d be willing to lead, and gives your IT Services team help making a day of learning you’ll be excited to attend. We thank you for your contributions!

Need Data? CSB/SJU Libraries are running a trial to Social Explorer through December 15th. Learn more on their LibGuide! This tool allows you to create reports and maps using data from the Census Bureau and some other sources. Contact Adam Konczewski or David Wuolu for more information about the trial and how you might use it in your courses. Need a different kind of data? Librarians can help with that too. Contact a librarian for assistance.

Experience HUB

Office of Undergraduate Research (OURS)

Summer Researcher Celebration on August 4! Upper Gorecki from 1:00-1:45pm: OURS is hosting a mini-CSC day to celebrate the impressive work completed by our summer researcher community. Join us for a poster session and a series of short oral presentations from 2-4pm. View our schedule of presentations here. We hope you can join us!

Seeking Faculty Mentors for Emerging Scholars Program: OURS is seeking a few more faculty mentors for this year's Emerging Scholars Program! The Emerging Scholars Program provides underrepresented first-year students with a full-time, paid research position under the mentorship of a faculty mentor for the full academic year. Faculty mentors are asked to work with a student on a research project suitable for a new researcher, assist them in developing skills and knowledge, support them in their transition to college, and be comfortable mentoring students with diverse backgrounds and identities. Faculty mentors are provided a stipend for their service. To view proposal prompts and apply, visit: https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/QCAHYQ34DI -- Proposals are due August 8 at 12 pm.

Welcome/ Congratulations

New Hires
We would like to extend a special welcome to the following new Academic Affairs staff hires:

- Maria Reszel, Art/Theater Office Coordinator - Start date: 8/1
- Jennifer Honsa, Assistant Technical Director, Fine Arts Programming - Start date: 8/8
- Katherine Stang, Biology & Physics Office Coordinator - start date: 8/9

Welcome Maria, Jennifer and Katherine!
New Positions
Congratulation to Julie Diethelm who has taken a new position in Academic Advising as an advisor to start on August 24. Julie will be moving to this position from the Registrar’s office.

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

The Buzz can be found on the Academic Affairs website under related links. 
https://www.csbsju.edu/academic-affairs