Academic Senate

Cañada College

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Evaluation Guidance Committee, Study Abroad Committee

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FUNDS AVAILABLE

Faculty are invited to apply for the Supplemental Travel Award and to the Speaker Honorarium fund.

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PROGRAM REVIEW

Business, Design & Workforce and the Science & Technology Divisions will be the first to complete the new Program Review Self Study.

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REASSIGNED TIME

Faculty asked for a transparent process for allocating reassigned time. Please give feedback on our proposal.

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GOALS

The GC is setting its goals for the year. Your input and ideas are welcome!

Service opportunities

Faculty Volunteers Needed

The college has immediate need for faculty members to serve in the following capacities:

♦ Evaluation Guidance Committee

Provides orientation to evaluators and evaluees; addresses concerns that may arise during an evaluation process.

♦ Study Abroad Committee

Selects faculty to participate in the Study Abroad program; awards the SMCCD scholarship for students wishing to participate in the program.

Interested? Please contact Doug Hirzel, hirzel@smccd.edu

Funds are available

Senate Supports Greater Professional and Instructional Opportunities

Speaker Honorarium Fund

Instructors may apply to receive \$100 to be given as an honorarium for an external professional to speak on campus. Priority will be given to requests that benefit multiple sections or courses or are of interest to the wider campus community.

Supplemental Travel Award

The S.T.A. provides funds for Professional Development applications that have exceeded the PD Program caps for travel. These funds are limited to faculty applying to attend conferences in their professional discipline.

http://www.canadacollege.edu/academicsenate/funding.php

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payroll deductions of \$100 per year (\$10 per paycheck). If you are not currently contributing to the Academic Senate, we urge you to consider doing so. Support from faculty provide programs like these and the leadership development that is vital to the health and vitality of a faculty.

Who's on First?

The Launch of Biennial Program Review

This fall we will begin using the Program Review process that was revised and approved last year. The Program Review Self Study is now completed on a biennial cycle (once every two years). The Self Study consists of (part A) Instructional Program Plans and (part B) Resource Requests. This year, programs within the Science & Technology Division and the Business, Design, Workforce Division will be conducting their Self Study. While all other programs are free from the requirement this year, they can still view their data packets, obtain more data from the Data Dashboard, and if needed, submit (part B) Resource Requests.

Workshops will be provided during the fall semester for the programs completing their Self Studies this year. Completed documents will be due near the end of February.

http://canadacollege.edu/programreview/instruction.php

In the works:

- Online system for entering Program Review Self Studies
- Documented processes for handling Resource Requests
- Improved evaluation and feedback of Self Studies

Action set for October 9

Faculty Input on Reassigned Time Process

Last year faculty asked the Academic Senate to develop a transparent process for requesting and allocating reassigned time. Reassigned time allows faculty to reduce their teaching load in order to engage in important activities that are beyond the scope of a regular workload. That scope is specifically defined in Appendix D1 of our AFT contract. Senate has constructed a draft policy and procedure for applying, evaluating, and reporting reassigned time.



Division representatives to the ASGC can be found on the Members page of the senate's website

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We are asking all faculty to provide feedback on this proposal at their October division meetings, or directly to your division representatives. Senate plans to vote on the proposal at its Oct. 9 meeting. The policy and application can be found on the Senate's Projects page.

http://www.canadacollege.edu/academicsenate/noninstructional.php

Setting the Agenda

Senate Goals for 2014-15

The ASGC has begun brainstorming goals for the upcoming year. Among our priorities will be taking a fresh look at SLOs and initiating a college-wide vision-setting for Professional Development. To contribute other concerns and priorities, please contact your Division representative.

Don't miss out!

Professional Development

Topics of Interest

- ◆ Citizenship by Birth or Naturalization Are You Smart Enough?
 − Professor Ware Sept. 17, 12:45pm-1:45pm in 9-307
- ◆ What Would Lenin Do? A Marxist Perspective on Russia and Ukraine – Professor Terzakis – Sept. 24, 2:15pm-3:15pm in 9-307
- ◆ Life is a Game: The Economic and Political Aspects of Game Theory – Professors Ware & Roscelli – Nov. 11, 12:45pm-1:45pm in 9-307

Technology Training

http://canadacollege.edu/deac/trainingresources.php

Mark your calendar

Academic Senate Meetings

The Governing Council meets the second and fourth Thursday's from 2:10-4:00 p.m. in 3-104. Our next meetings will be on Sept. 25, Oct. 9, and Oct. 23.