

MODERN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES NEWSLETTER

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Department Updates

Student Evaluations

Student evaluation envelopes will be in your mailboxes this week, please be on the lookout for them. If you have any questions regarding procedure ask Casandra.

Important! Building Access

The UNL Building Access supervisor (Lora Ives) has reminded us that students (both graduate and undergraduate) must be registered for at least 1 credit hour for the Summer 2015 OR Fall 2015 term to retain their card access. This will impact graduate students' after hours access to buildings, Campus Recreation, etc. The cutoff date is May 10th. ***This will affect your Ncard access to the elevators and the Lab, if you think this may be a problem for you please contact Casandra.***

From the Staff

We appreciate all your hard work and dedication that made this year's Language Fair a success. Kudos to you! If you are not on social media but would like to see the responses from attendees the #langfair15 feed will be available for a limited time, take a look, <https://tagboard.com/langfair15/219364>.

Important Dates

APRIL

22nd- Spring Faculty Meeting

Please send your announcements, Bravos and events for the weekly newsletter to Casandra (csiefkes2@unl.edu) by 5 pm on Thursdays.

Bravo!

Abla Hasan

accepted an invitation from David Wilson to serve in the E.N. Thompson Forum on World Issues Committee for a three-year term from May 2015-May 2018.

NSE International Welcome Team

New Student Enrollment has created an International Welcome Team to welcome new international students at the airports upon arrival and assist them in their first six weeks of transition to UNL. It's a paid position (\$8/hr). This position is open for instructors to share with undergraduate students and to grad students in the department (please be aware of your contract restrictions on hours of work) I've attached a document with more information about the position and a link to the application.

Second Round of ENHANCE CAS

Attached is the guidelines and application requirements for the second round of ENHANCE CAS, the scholarship enhancement grant program for faculty in the Humanities and Social Sciences. Information on this funding mechanism is also provided on the College web site: <http://cas.unl.edu/enhance-cas>

This program will award small grants, of up to \$5,000. Applications will be solicited and reviewed three times during the academic year. Applications for the second review cycle should be submitted to the college office by May 15, 2015. Notification of awards will follow in two weeks.

We have funded 26 proposals over the first two rounds of this program, 19 from humanities faculty and 7 from social science faculty.

Workshops for Graduate Teaching Assistants.

On Tuesday, August 18th, the Office of Graduate Studies will sponsor the 25th annual Campuswide Workshops for Graduate Teaching Assistants. Since 1990, we've had over 200 faculty, graduate students, and staff present workshops. That's amazing, and definitely worth celebrating!

Our keynote speaker is Dr. Terry Doyle, professor of reading at Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Michigan. We'll also have—as we have for the past 25 years—award winning faculty and experienced TAs facilitate concurrent sessions. The full schedule is available at <http://go.unl.edu/TAworkshops>

We hope you'll encourage both new and experienced TAs to sign-up early and participate. Registration includes a continental breakfast and a buffet lunch. We also plan to recognize those folks who have contributed to the success of this event through the years.

Students can pre-register for the workshops online at <http://research.unl.edu/events/event.php?eventID=1275>.

Bravo!

Óscar Sendón

has accepted a tenure-track position at Truman State University in Missouri

Bravo!

Nora Peterson

received a Newberry Library Center for Renaissance Studies Consortium Fellowship. This grant will allow her to spend one month at the archive next year for work on her book.

Calls for Papers / Open Positions

See Bulletin Board in 1107 for more information

- El CID; 2016 Edition, Journal of the Tau Iota Chapter of Sigma Delta Pi; The Citadel-Military College of South Carolina; DUE: Dec 1

Language Clubs & Student Centers

Chinese Table
Mondays
4-5PM
MABL 230
#UNLchinatable

**Spanish
Tutoring Center**
Mondays 12-2
Friday 2-5
#UNLSpantutor

French Table
Wednesday
2:30-4
BURN 302
#UNLtablefrancaise

Russian Table
Wednesdays
2:30 PM
OLDH 1107
#UNLRussTable

Kino Club
Tues - 8:30
Thur - 7:30
1126 OLDH
#UNLKino

Spanish Table
Alt Fridays
5pm
BURN 302
#UNLMesa

Japanese Table
100-level | Tuesdays
4:30-5:30 | KRR
200-level | Thursdays
4-5 | KRR
#UNLJapanTable

Stammtisch
Wednesday's
4:30 - 6 pm
Dempsey's Pub
#UNLStammtisch

Spanish Club
Select Thursdays
4pm | BURN 302
#UNLSpanClub

Arabic Table
TBA
#UNLArabicNadfi

Bravo!

To our Majors
receiving
Fulbright
Teaching Grants

Julia DeLaRosa, Spanish Major
Courtney Leikam, German Major
Erin Fick, (Alt.) Spanish Major

Bravo!

Annie Himes
Russian Major

Who has received the Outstanding Student Leadership Award, one of the highest awards presented to students and the Truman Scholarship, one of 60 students nationally to receive this \$30,000 scholarship.

Join us for free lunch and a discussion about Responsible Research Involving Human Subjects. It is our hope that participants will gain tips that they can take back to their departments as well as offer advice based on their experiences.

GSEF, April 29, noon - 1pm,
City Campus Union.

RSVP by April 23, 2pm to secure a free lunch. Please, indicate any dietary restrictions. Also, feel free to bring your own lunch.

April

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
		01 German Section 1:30 1223A OLDH	02 French Section 10:30 1107 OLDH	03	04	05
06	07	08	09 Language Fair Meeting 10:30 1126 OLDH Doering Talk 5 pm Bailey	10	11	12
13	14 Language Fair Meeting 10:30 1126 OLDH	15	16 LANGUAGE FAIR - No Language Classes	17	18	19
20	21	22 Spring Faculty Meeting 3:30-5pm	23	24	25	26
27 DEAD WEEK	28 DEAD WEEK	29 DEAD WEEK	30 DEAD WEEK	01 DEAD WEEK		

May

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
04 FINALS WEEK	05 FINALS WEEK	06 FINALS WEEK	07 FINALS WEEK	08 Graduate Commencement FINALS WEEK	09 Under grad Comm.	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

ENHANCE CAS

Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activities Enhancement Program For Faculty in the Humanities and Social Sciences

Objective: Support the research, scholarship, and creative activities of faculty members from disciplines with less substantial start-up funds and limited extramural funding opportunities. Consistent with Vision 2020 and the strategic goals of the College of Arts & Sciences, we are establishing a program to help increase the recognition and reputation of Humanities and Social Sciences scholarship. Strategic investments from this program will assist faculty with the goal of enhancing competitiveness for prestigious awards, fellowships, and/or external grant funding.

This program is designed to provide support for research and creative activities that may be more time sensitive and or otherwise not a good fit with funding opportunities supported by the Research Council or the Office of Research and Economic Development.

Eligibility: Humanities and Social Science faculty (tenure line or Professor of Practice) in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Number, size, and timing of awards: Individual awards may be made up to a maximum of \$5,000. Total program funding for 2014-2015 is \$150,000, providing support for 30 or more awards per year.

Applications will be reviewed three times during the academic year. Up to \$50,000 may be awarded in each review cycle.

Mechanism and criteria: An individual faculty member may submit one application per review cycle, and may not receive more than one award per year.

Proposals will be evaluated on:

- *Plan* - The scholarship objective and how the funding would be used to reach that objective.
- *Impact* – The impact the award will have on advancing the applicant's scholarship and professional recognition.
- *Need* – Applicants are expected to document how the funding is needed to reach the objective. This narrative should include any potential matching support from the department. If startup or other personal research funds are available, they should be used prior to seeking support from this program.

Within the context of the above criteria, preference will be given to pre-tenure and not fully promoted faculty.

Examples of allowable expenses include publication subvention fee, travel to research sites, access to special collections, specialized equipment, software, database access. The program would not typically pay for activities such as travel to professional meetings, graduate student stipends, or standard operating expenses. Faculty salary or course releases are not funded by this program. These would be expected to be covered through existing resources.

Operation and Management of the Program:

Applications will be reviewed three times each academic year by a faculty review committee. Ad hoc faculty reviewers may be recruited as needed to insure representation and adequate expertise. The committee will review and rank the proposals for final funding decisions by the Dean.

Each application should include:

1. *Cover Page*. Template attached.
2. *Description of Proposed Activities* (up to a maximum of 2 pages). This section should describe the proposed research, scholarly or creative activity in sufficient detail to inform non-specialists. It should include:
 - a. A brief description of the proposed activity.
 - b. A statement of the significance of the proposed activity to career development of the applicant and how it fits into the applicant's overall career goals.
 - c. A timeline for the proposed activities also should be included. It is expected that by the end of the funding period, the project should result in a clear scholarly outcome.
3. *Itemized Budget*. Appropriate budget categories include equipment, supplies, travel (including accommodations, allowable daily costs), access fees, and publication costs. All items should be explained in a short budget justification.
4. *Statement of Other Support*. Applicants should provide information about other internal and external funding for this activity (including the University Small Research Grants and Faculty Development Awards programs).
5. *Abbreviated CV or Biosketch* (limited to 2 pages). May be in any format but must include summary of education and related publications and funding history.
6. *Report on Prior Funding*. A summary of the outcomes from any prior funding provided through this program, or from any UNL internal grant mechanism to support this line of research by the applicant.

One hard copy of the cover page with department chair approval signatures must be submitted to the Arts & Sciences Dean's Office by the specified application date. An electronic copy of the application should be sent to Brenda Ensor (bensor2@unl.edu) by the application due date.

The third round of applications are due by May 15, 2015. Subsequent applications dates will be announced for January, and April. Notification of the first round of approved applications will be made by October 20, 2014.

Awards will become available at the time of notification with the expectation that the activity will be completed within one year. A one-page report will be required at the end of the funding period describing activities conducted and any outcomes (e.g., publication, award, grant submitted).

ENHANCE CAS

Cover Page

College of Arts & Sciences Faculty Enhancement Program Proposal

Applicant Name: _____

Applicant Department: _____

Contact Information: Office: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Project Title: _____

Amount Requested: _____

Faculty Applicant: _____

Signature

Date

Department Chair Approval: _____

Signature

Date

What is the International Welcome Team

The International Welcome Team's goal is to help new international students transition to the U.S., Lincoln, and UNL. The Welcome Team provides the peer support and local knowledge necessary to make these students feel at home as a Husker from the moment they arrive in Nebraska through their sixth week of school.

Your role as a Welcome Team member

- Be a friendly face and resource at the airport when new international students arrive for the fall semester
- Be a transition mentor for a small group of international students. You'd meet once a week with your group to help them with Lincoln transportation, campus resources, shopping, travel, academic expectations, etc. during their first six weeks at UNL.
- Be a student leader at International Orientation by helping to facilitate small-group discussions and activities.

Who can be a Welcome Team member

- Both domestic and international students can be part of the Welcome Team. Applicants with previous experience in mentoring, leadership, or cultural groups and a desire to help new international students adapt would make strong candidates.

Benefits of being a Welcome Team member

- Gain leadership experience
- Strengthen your resume and cultural competency
- Connect with international and domestic students
- Earn \$8/hour

Important dates to consider

The ideal candidate would have availability during the following dates. However, if you are not available for one of the events listed below, you are still encouraged to apply.

- Brief informational meeting – (attend one) Tuesday, April 28 at 5 p.m. or Wednesday, April 29 at 7 p.m.
- Training – Saturday, August 15
- Airport welcome – August 16, 17, and 18
- International Orientation – August 19, 20, 21
- Welcome Team bowling social – Evening of Thursday, August 20th

*Note: You would not be expected to help with every day of the airport welcome or orientation. Team members will sign up for individual airport shifts, and you could assist with orientation according to your availability.

To apply, please fill out this form https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1yFwxGSJb46DZ_UjAoO-AiKwhTbFYVheMHOi80rs7Rxk/viewform?usp=send_form

Deadline to apply is Wednesday, April 22nd.