# **CASA Dean's MMU (Monday Morning Update)**

Monday, November 21, 2016

Dear Colleagues,

Last Friday, one hundred and twenty-nine college and university presidents issued a joint letter to President-elect Donald Trump urging him to forcefully "condemn and work to prevent the harassment, hate and acts of violence that are being perpetrated across our nation, sometimes in your name, which is now synonymous with our nation's highest office," according to an *Inside Higher Ed* report on November 18, 2016. As Interim Chancellor Colwell pointed out in his letter to the campus community, "We value individuals, diversity and inclusion. Anything less diminishes all of us. Free speech is an important right and value what we should use wisely and respectfully." Our College has been working hard to achieve and celebrate diversity, value our differences and learn from each other. As an academic community, we must use this moment to reaffirm our values of respect and inclusion, supporting each other and expressing solidarity with all groups and individuals who may fear for the future.

It is close to the end of the semester - the final examinations will start in a few weeks. We need to direct our students to focus on their study during this important time of the semester. Above all, we must always remember that we are here for students. Our academic accomplishments are best achieved through collaborative team approaches and communicative action geared toward fostering student success. Please remember our *NEAT* initiative to improve student success focusing on four critical points throughout a semester. We are now at the "T" time-points in *NEAT*, the last phase of a semester: students should be informed by instructors if it is possible to increase their work quality in order to better their grade or to keep from dropping below their perceived grade expectations. A few points within key areas of concern can have significant differences in their final grade, and can fill education gaps toward their future careers. If you know that a student is in danger of receiving a failing or significantly deficient grade, please engage this student in review sessions or encourage him/her to seek tutoring help.

As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday, I want to extend to all of you my best wishes and to let you know how thankful I am for your hard work and dedication to student success. The College of Applied Sciences and Arts has a proud tradition of focusing on student success. Our students, faculty and staff have worked hard this semester, and the fruits of that hard work are about to be realized. I am thankful for

the good work we do, helping our students to change their lives and achieve their dreams. In these difficult and uncertain budgetary times, I am thankful that our College has remained strong in enrollment, retention, degree-completion and student success. Thank you for all you do for the College, for our students, and for our mission.

Best wishes for a restful Thanksgiving holiday.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

- Dr. Seung-Hee Lee, Professor of Fashion Design & Merchandising, has a paper entitled "Perception of Time, Creative Attitudes, and Adoption of Innovations: A Cross-Cultural Study from Chinese and US College Students", co-authored with J. Workman and K. Jung, accepted in *Sustainability* (SSCI Journal). This research was funded by a CASA Summer research grant. Congratulations!
- Dr. Seung-Hee Lee, Professor of Fashion Design and Merchandising, has presented three papers

   at the International Textiles and Apparel Association (ITAA) Annual Conference, Vancouver,
   Canada, November 8-11, as follows:
  - Jung, K., Lee, S-H., Workman, J., & Eun, J. (2016). "Ethical attitudes toward buying and selling counterfeits: Beneficial lies, belief in fairness, and non-monetary values".
    International Textiles & Apparel Association (ITAA). Vancouver, Canada.
  - Lee, S-H., Workman, J., & Jung, K. (2016). "Mobile shopping behavior among fashion adoption groups". International Textiles & Apparel Association (ITAA). Vancouver, Canada.
  - Lee, S-H., Workman, J., & Jung, K. (2016). "Consumer tendency to regret and compulsive buying". International Textiles & Apparel Association (ITAA). Vancouver, Canada.

Congratulations!

• Please join me in congratulating the following faculty members as this year's TT or NTT Teacher of the Year in their respective department or school:

ISAT Non-Tenure-Track (NTT) Teacher of Year 2016: Brad Hagy



Mr. **Brad Hagy**, Senior Lecturer of Information Systems Technologies (IST), was selected by ISAT faculty as the School NTT Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. According to Director Chung, Mr. Hagy is a dedicated, hardworking individual who strives for the highest quality in teaching. His annual ICE scores in 2015 averaged 4.57. During Fall 2016, Prof. Hagy offered an independent-study course for three students to learn programming in COBOL. He volunteered to teach this course as he saw the demands from his students and their professional career. Mr. Hagy was also NTT Teacher of the Year in IAST in 2013 and 2014. Congratulations!

#### ISAT Tenured/Tenure-Track (T/TT) Teacher of Year 2016: Tom Imboden



Mr. **Tom Imboden**, Associate Professor of Information Systems Technologies (IST), was selected by School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies (ISAT) faculty as the School T/TT Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. According to Director Chung, Prof. Imboden always brings new cybersecurity technologies to the IST curriculum. With passion and commitment, his annual averages of ICE scores were 4.71, 4.66, and 4.11 in 2015, 2014, and 2013 respectively. He has voluntarily served as the IST Program Coordinator since fall 2014, and served as Technology Mentor in CASA. Congratulations!

## SOA Non-Tenure-Track (NTT) Teacher of Year 2016: Adulsak Chanyakorn



Mr. Adulsak Chanyakorn, Instructor of Architectural Studies (ARC), was selected by School of Architecture (SOA) faculty as the School NTT Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. According to Interim Director Dobbins, Mr. Chanyakorn's ICE scores for the last three years averaged 4.38. He is very gifted with rendering skills and willingly shares his abilities with our students. He regularly goes beyond the requirements of his position to provide our students with outstanding learning experiences. Congratulations!

#### SOA Tenured/Tenure-Track (T/TT) Teacher of Year 2016: Norman Lach



Mr. Norm Lach, Associate Professor of Architecture and Program Director of Architectural Studies (ARC), was selected by School of Architecture (SOA) faculty as the School T/TT Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. According to Interim Director Dobbins, Professor Lach has been with SIU for 43 years and has established himself as a truly great educator in architecture. He is that exceptional teacher who has changed countless thousands of student lives for the better over the years. Congratulations!

## SAH Non-Tenure-Track (NTT) Teacher of Year 2016: Abel Salazar



Mr. Abel Salazar, Assistant Instructor of Mortuary Science and Funeral Service (MSFS), was selected by School of Allied Health (SAH) faculty as the School NTT Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. According to Director Collins, Mr. Salazar has high standards for academic excellence and he always makes himself readily available to students, volunteering for additional service activities which benefit the MSFS program and the School of Allied Health by participating in open house events, giving tours, and meeting with potential students. Congratulations!

#### SAH Tenured/Tenure-Track (T/TT) Teacher of Year 2016: Marcea Walter



Ms. **Marcea Walter**, Assistant Professor of Health Care Management (HCM), was selected by School of Allied Health (SAH) faculty as the School T/TT Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. Congratulations!

### AUT Non-Tenure-Track (NTT) Teacher of Year 2016: Kent Meckfessel



Mr. **Kent Meckfessel**, Assistant Instructor of Automotive Technology (AUT), was selected by Department of Automotive Technology faculty as the Department NTT Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. Congratulations!

**AUT Tenured/Tenure-Track (T/TT) Teacher of Year 2016: Blaine Heisner** 



Mr. **Blaine Heisner**, Assistant Professor of Automotive Technology (AUT), was selected by Department of Automotive Technology faculty as the Department T/TT Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. Congratulations!

# AVMAF Non-Tenure-Track (NTT) Teacher of Year 2016: John Kenneth Bro & Andrew Weis



Mr. **Kenny Bro**, Assistant Instructor of Aviation Management and Flight (AVMAF), was selected by Department of Aviation Management and Flight faculty as the Department NTT Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. Congratulations!



Mr. **Andrew J. Weis**, Assistant Instructor of Aviation Management and Flight (AVMAF), was selected by Department of Aviation Management and Flight faculty as the Department NTT Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. Congratulations!

## AVMAF Tenured/Tenure-Track (T/TT) Teacher of Year 2016: Michael Robertson



Mr. **Michael Robertson**, Associate Professor of Aviation Management and Flight (AVMAF), was selected by Department of Aviation Management and Flight faculty as the Department T/TT Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. Mike has done a great job organizing the recent UAV certification course and helping to make that a success. Congratulations!

AVT Non-Tenure-Track (NTT) Teacher of Year 2016: Harry Fanning



Mr. Harry Fanning, Lecturer of Aviation Technologies (AVT), was selected by Department of Aviation Technologies faculty as the Department NTT Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. According to Chair Burgener, Harry is riding high from his Detail Dawgs most recent domination of the regional aviation maintenance skills competition in Iowa. Harry was instrumental in organizing, training, and advising that organization and has done an outstanding job! In bestowing this honor upon you, your colleagues have noticed your good works and excellence in teaching within the Department of Aviation Technologies! Congratulations!

# AVT Tenured/Tenure-Track (T/TT) Teacher of Year 2016: Don Morris



Mr. **Don Morris**, Assistant Professor of Aviation Technologies (AVT), was selected by Department of Aviation Technologies faculty as the Department T/TT Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. According to Chair Burgener, Don is one of the best teachers in the Department and it goes without saying that his students would concur with his nomination. He is also very active with the student organizations, most recently developing sheet metal projects for the Girls in Aviation camp. Congratulations!

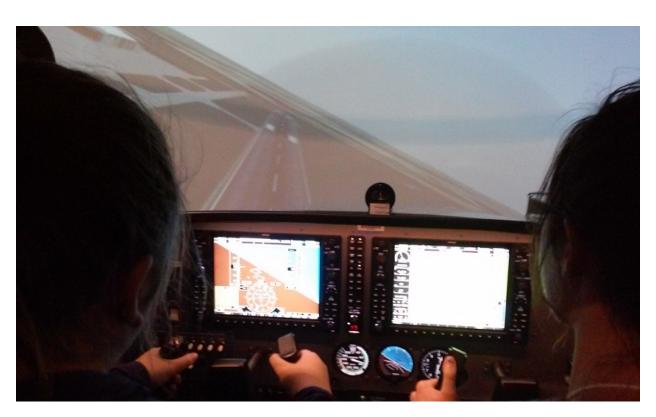
- Automotive Technology Department student **Aaron Weckhorst** was awarded an Undergraduate Assistantship this Fall to research the effects of an ongoing project concerning engine pumping losses, emissions and fuel mileage. He will be working directly with engineers from Engsim to provide them with test and specification data to simulate the test engine's thermodynamics. The automotive industry today uses powerful engine design software to improve and build cutting edge engines. The interaction with this software and engineering firm will provide Aaron an elevated experience most students never see. The intervention of Gt Power software should confirm the previous test findings collected from the Automotive Technology's All-Wheel Drive Chassis Test Cell. Automotive Technology student employee **Thomas Hahn** is assisting Aaron on the project testing and interactions. Congratulations!
- The Department of Aviation Management and Flight (AVMAF) and the Department of Aviation Technologies (AVT) successfully hosted their first Unmanned Aircraft Systems Certification Course on November 12-13, 2016. Congratulations! Below are two pictures taken by Mr. Kenneth Bro for this training course.





• On Thursday November 17, 2016, our College had a recruitment event at John Logan Community College "CASA at JALC." The Undergraduate Admission office had 15 students apply during the FREE application event offered on November 15. Out of the 15 applications submitted, CASA admitted one student in the School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies (ISAT) and three students in the School of Allied Health (SAH). Congratulations! Also I would like to thank all faculty and staff members who participated in this event.

- Please join me in congratulating the Automotive Technology Department (AUT) for its articulation agreement with Vincennes University, Vincennes, IN. The agreement has been signed by Dr. Susan Ford, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, for Interim Chancellor Brad Colwell and Dr. Laurel A. Smith, Interim Provost and Vice President for Instructional Services/Dean of Faculty at Vincennes University. According to the agreement, all graduates of Vincennes University with an Associate Science Career Technology (ASCT) degree that includes- coursework applying toward the SIU Carbondale Automotive Technology program and meeting SIU Carbondale admission requirements will be considered for admission into SIU Carbondale's Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Automotive Technology based upon the Department's enrollment criteria and space availability. Congratulations!
- Adam J. Wolfe, Automotive Technology Senior from Dahinda, IL, has been selected to be our Gonfalon Carrier for the College during the Commencement on December 17, 2016. Congratulations!
- **Jennifer S. Sherry**, Associate Professor of Dental Hygiene, led a session for teen girls during the past weekend at SIU's "Expanding Your Horizons" event. Senior Dental Hygiene students Morgan Reid, Milica Zivak and Samantha Hennig assisted Professor Sherry with different handson learning activities. The participants were able to view radiographs (x-rays) on a computer screen, remove simulated buildup on extracted teeth and place sealants on extracted teeth. The young ladies really enjoyed the activities and learning different avenues within the dental hygiene profession. Congratulations!
- Lorelei Ruiz, Associate Professor of Aviation Management and Flight, and several Aviation Flight and Aviation Technologies students successfully organized the Expanding Your Horizons event on Saturday, November 19, 2016 in the Transportation Education Center. The pictures below show a few girls in flight simulators during the event. Expanding Your Horizons inspires girls to recognize their potential and pursue opportunities in science, technology, engineering and mathematics, providing focused engagement of middle school girls from all backgrounds in STEM. Congratulations on a successful outreach event and thanks to Lorelai and students for guiding these middle school girls, sparking their interest in STEM activities and careers.







#### ON THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

- Monday, November 21, 2016: 7:00pm-9:30pm, Saluki Men's Basketball vs. Mount St. Mary, SIU Arena.
- Tuesday, November 22, 2016: 11:00am 12:00pm, Deans Council Informal Meeting, Anthony Hall Balcony Conference Room.
- Wednesday, November 23, 2016: 10:00am 12:00pm, Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) Special Board Meeting, Springfield.
- Thursday, November 24, 2016: Thanksgiving Holiday.
- Friday, November 25, 2016: Thanksgiving Holiday.

## AND FINALLY ...

If you see something in this update that you want to comment on, please send an email to my SIU email <a href="mailto:awang@siu.edu">awang@siu.edu</a>; or call me at 618-536-6682. Also, if you know of anyone interested in receiving the CASA Dean's MMU, please ask them to send me an email and we will gladly add them to our mailing list. If you prefer not to receive the CASA Dean's MMU, please let me know, as well. Thank you.

Andy Ju An Wang, Ph.D. Dean, College of Applied Sciences and Arts