



# *Academic Notes*

NOVEMBER 25, 2002

AN 2002-2003

## **\*\*SPECIAL NOTICES\*\***

### **HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER EXPERIENCE SEMINAR PROPOSAL DUE**

The Summer Experience Program (formerly Summer Honors Program) is now seeking new seminar proposals for 2003. Faculty members interested in teaching a two-week seminar in 2003 are encouraged to prepare and submit a proposal to the Division of Lifelong Learning. The proposal should include as a minimum: proposed budget indicating departmental support and outside support required and departmental approval. Proposals should reach Vickie Spurr, Erickson Hall, room 119, by **December 6, 2002**. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call extension 2333.

### **FACULTY ATTENDANCE FORM FOR FALL COMMENCEMENT**

Attached to the back of this issue is a Faculty Attendance Form concerning Fall Commencement. All faculty members are asked to fill out this form and make sure that it is delivered to:

OFFICE OF THE PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT  
FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS  
PARSONS HALL, ROOM 208  
Fax: 812-237-3607

by the end of the business on Friday, December 6, 2002.

### **ACADEMIC APPAREL RENTAL FORM**

Faculty members needing to rent academic apparel for Fall 2002 Commencement, need to fill out the Academic Apparel Rental Form attached to the back of this issue and send it to:

KARI HIATT  
ISU BOOKSTORE

Rental forms received will automatically be charged a late fee of \$10.00.

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## **GENERAL EDUCATION COUNCIL**

During the regularly scheduled meeting of the General Education Council on October 23, 2002, the following resolution was passed unanimously.

**The 2002-03 academic year General Education Council sets, as its top priority for the academic year, the drafting and review of an assessment plan for the General Education Program. As a result, the Council will attend to the approval process of already submitted proposals for Liberal Studies Courses and of Capstone and Literature and Life courses, but the Council may have to delay the approval of new proposals until the assessment plan is finished in this academic year.**

## **THEODORE DREISER DISTINGUISHED RESEARCH/ CREATIVITY AWARDS**

The Theodore Dreiser Distinguished Research/Creativity Award recognizes work substantially completed at Indiana State University by regular, full-time members of the university faculty who have made outstanding contributions to their disciplines. Work completed to satisfy advanced degree requirements is not eligible for consideration. As many as two awards, consisting of a monetary award and a plaque, may be given each year. Faculty members who have previously received the award are ineligible for consideration for a four-year period. Faculty are encouraged to nominate eligible colleagues. Self-nominations will also be accepted. **Nominations may be in letter or memo format and should be returned to the School of Graduate Studies, Erickson Hall, room 114, 812- 237-3111, D-Bonsall@indstate.edu. Nominations are due December 16, 2002.**

## **2002 CALEB MILLS DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARDS and FACULTY DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS**

Nominations for the 2003 Caleb Mills Distinguished Teaching Award and the 2003 Faculty Distinguished Service Award are now being accepted at the Center for Teaching and Learning, Dreiser Hall, room 123. Both awards are two of ISU's most prestigious, and faculty committees are currently being formed to review nominees for each award. The deadline for nominations is Monday, December 16, 2002. The University Handbook restricts nominations for the Caleb Mills Award to tenured faculty who have taught a minimum of 16 semester hours or 24 contact hours at ISU over the previous calendar year. Tenure status is also a minimum requirement for the Distinguished Service Award. Nomination for each award is by letter from administrators, faculty, students, and alumni. Both awards are announced at the spring commencement and awarded during the fall Faculty Honors Dinner.

**The nomination deadline is Monday, December 16, 2002.**  
**Nominations should be submitted to the Center for Teaching and Learning.**

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**ACADEMIC NOTES PUBLICATION SCHEDULE**  
**FOR FALL 2002**

Below is the circulation schedule for the hard copy of *Academic Notes* through December 9, 2002. An asterisk (\*) indicates a curricular issue. **All submissions for inclusion in *Academic Notes* are due in the Office of Academic Affairs no later than 10:00 a.m. on the Wednesday<sup>a</sup> prior to the distribution of *Academic Notes* on the following Monday, along with an E-Mail or a diskette with the same information in Microsoft Word format. Failure to submit a diskette containing this information will delay publication. An electronic version of *Academic Notes* is available using Acrobat Reader via the ISU Web Page at – <http://web.indstate.edu/acadnotes/> –.**

**ACADEMIC NOTES PUBLICATION SCHEDULE**  
**FOR FALL 2002**

<b><u>Deadline for Items</u></b>	<b><u>Issue Date</u></b>
November 26 <sup>a*</sup>	December 2*
December 4	December 9

<sup>a</sup>Due to holidays, the dates for submission and publication have been moved up or back a day.

**FACULTY GOVERNMENT**

**FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**  
**REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 19, 2002**

The Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate met at 3:15 in HMSU 227.

CHAIR CERNY ADDRESSED

- 1) Health Care: FEBC's recommendation on proposed changes to health care benefits was approved by the Senate in an e-mail vote.
- 2) Legal Defense Fund: He is making final revisions to the plan for the fund.
- 3) Meeting with President Benjamin: In addition to the vice-presidents, the President has invited others in his cabinet to meet with Exec. Com.
- 4) Provost's Action Agenda: Provost Pontius would like responses to the Program Review document and recommendations on Life Long Learning by Dec. 12. Recommendations on Special Purpose Faculty will be coming next semester. FEBC's response to compression recommendations is requested Nov. 29.

## DISCUSSION

Communication Audit: Consultants from Lipman Hearne asked about internal communications--Senate communications to and from the faculty at large, the administration, Senate committees, and other campus groups.

## COMMITTEE ACTIONS

1) Approved F. Bell's memo to R. Gedrick requesting salary data.

2) Went into executive session

The meeting adjourned at 5:15.

# **THESES, DISSERTATIONS, & RESEARCH PROJECTS**

## **COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES: Life Sciences**

Mr. Jim Aloor will defend his dissertation, entitled *A Study of the Role of Stathmin and SCG10 in Signal Transduction*, at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 26, 2002 in the Science Building, room 12. The members of his committee are Dr. James Hughes, Chairperson, Dr. David Prentice, Dr. Mary Johnson, Dr. Gary Stuart, and Dr. Jing Chen.