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Dean's Note Dear all.

from the BOT meeting in Denver via California at midnight on MLK Day, I could hardly find my car as it was buried under several inches of snow and ice. Not a smart idea to leave it in the outside parking lot during the snow storm! Lots happened here in the dean's office over January. Kayla is back, now as a happy mom. Ashley started as the college's budget manager. She hit the road running, despite having no Banner access for the first 3 weeks. Claudia started as the new administrative assistant in Medbury and Collier Scripps. Our student success team is now located in the northwest wing of 2nd floor FAC. We met with each department chair individually to plan out the next academic year. Natalie handwrote 256 postcards to admitted Open Enrolled students. Faculty taskforces submitted their recommendations. J-Term reports came in, together with exhausted

The Board of Trustees gave its approval for two new A&S programs: a major in Artificial Intelligence and a 4+2 pathway for a Master in Applied Behavioral Analysis. Both will start in the fall, and we will begin marketing and recruiting asap. The latest admissions funnel report shows that all our work with prospective students is paying off—we are ahead by almost 70% in tuition deposits compared to last year January. The next few weeks will be crucial and busy with visit days, NAS interviews and phone calls—thank you for stepping up and showing prospective students what it means to be a Bulldog! We are also entering the second phase of on-campus interviews, with candidates in Anthropology, History, Cybersecurity and Theatre scheduled to come over the next few weeks. Fingers crossed! We were not as successful with some of our other searches in the fall (Politics, Psychology, ABA, and Computer

but fulfilled faculty. We are ready for the new semester!!

Science), but have not given up on all of them quite yet. We have hired two tenure track faculty so far: Ryan Sturms in Biochemistry and Kieran Williams in International Relations. Gesine **Dean's Office Hours** The Dean will hold her open office hours in the Cowles Library Cafe on Thursday, February 6 from 3-4:30pm.

The Artificial Intelligence major is an interdisciplinary program in the College of Arts and Sciences that comprises courses from Computer Science & Math, Arts & Humanities, and

accomplishments, and responsible global citizenship, the artificial intelligence major at Drake is designed to prepare students to be successful in a world where machines can play an important role. The major in artificial intelligence is designed to appeal to students interested in STEM, the humanities, or business. The major will have 17 core courses and 3 optional

Business & Law. In the spirit of preparing students for meaningful personal lives, professional

Master's degree in six years. Students interested will be able to apply to the Master's program early in their studies at Drake. Current Drake juniors are encouraged to apply in the fall semester. Advising Corner **COUNSELING CENTER RESOURCES**: This spring, the Counseling Center is launching two groups: an anxiety support group and an adjustment challenges support group, as well as

your advisees and students. <u>VALIDATION:</u> Complete enrollment validation for all students in the classes you teach. The process of validation removes students who do not attend/validate their enrollment on the first day of class, without making prior arrangements with you. The enrollment validation link is

hosting a grief event on February 26th. Each link is a flyer with more information to share with

If you are allowing a student to add your course after Jan 31, the student must use the add/drop form to add your course. The add/drop form is available in various college offices and the Office of the Registrar. Once completed, this online, fillable form should be printed, signed and submitted to the student's college dean's office.

member to obtain the syllabus and gather other relevant information.

Blackboard materials.

You also will receive an automated message confirming a student(s) drop. REGISTRATION OVERRIDES: You can set registration overrides for students seeking a seat in your course. Registration overrides can be set by selecting Registration Overrides under the Faculty & Advisors tab in MyDUSIS. In some instances, a student may need more than one override, i.e., a pre-requisite is not met and the course is closed; both overrides need to

the student(s) on an existing waitlist to register for an open seat. Students will not be able to waitlist for new sections during the first week. If you have questions on whether you have a course(s) with a waitlist, please contact me. If you have a course(s) with a waitlist, please be mindful in allowing students into that course as a seat offer(s) may have been extended. You do not wish to exceed the seating capacity in your classroom.

WAITLISTS: A limited waitlist function will continue through noon on Friday, Jan 31, allowing

and facilitates our proactive outreach to students who need assistance and connections to key college and university resources. **NEW STUDENTS:** If you were assigned to an incoming new or transfer student, you would have received an email. While we encourage new and transfer students to reach out to their advisor in the first weeks of the term, an outreach from you, welcoming them to campus and sharing your office hours and location, would also be a great way to welcome these new students. Please also consider welcoming back returning advisees with updated information

Arts & Sciences Technology Survey The A&S Technology Committee would appreciate it if you completed the Arts and Science Technology Survey for Spring 2020. We very much value your thoughts and will use responses to inform our work this semester and beyond. Follow this link to the survey or copy/paste the URL into your internet browser: http://drake.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV d7jY9AugGlxPclT? Q_DL=9B6unqL3SQDq0YZ_d7jY9AugGlxPcIT_MLRP_aa3Z0AMTXZnuiah&Q_CHL=email.

Drake University is wrapping up the review of our learning management system (LMS). To learn more about the process and see the final recommendation, please visit here. A final decision about our LMS going forward is in the works, but has not yet been completed.

With the switch to eduroam (education roaming), a new wireless network at Drake, from

DUFacStaff, please remember to use your drake.edu email account rather than your nine-digit Drake ID to log in. This ensures that your credentials are passed securely anywhere you

connect to eduroam. You can learn more about eduroam on our FAQ page.

EduRoam

in Recreation and Society in Africa, Asia and Latin America 7 (2019): 17-38. An earlier version of this article was presented at Drake's Faculty Writing Group (FWG)'s summer workshop in May 2018. Robert Collis, Visiting Assistant Professor of History, and Natalie Bayer, Associate Professor of History, had a book published entitled "Initiating the Millennium: The Avignon Society and Illuminism in Europe." The book, published by Oxford University Press, is the first in-depth study in English of the foremost pan-European millenarian, initiatic society,

by January 28th to join. Reading Corner: This humorously informative article on How to Teach a Good First Day of Class was published in the Chronicle of Higher Education.

In Innovation in Higher Education, this article elaborates on some exicting things happening

2021 Health Benefits will require a physical from a primary care physican. Wellness checks

 Faculty on continuing appointment may apply for a <u>Drake Research Grant</u> to receive up to \$3,000 to fund activites and materials necessary to support research. Sumbit your

The spring Faculty Writing Workshop is open for registration. Please fill out the interest form

Weeks Gallery Event The Leyendas/Legends Project

Mid-show reception: February 13, 4 - 6pm

February 7 - March 1, 2020

Stefano Vignati; Drake Opera Director

Upcoming Events

Exhibition, Anderson Gallery.

All of these dates are located here.

· January 29: College Elections begin

A&S! Until February 2: <u>Carbon019 Project</u>, Weeks Gallery. Until February 14: <u>Visual DisObedience: Iowa Artists Dissent, Propose Actualize!</u>

Weeks Gallery, Harmon Fine Arts Center. Drake University

- February 7: <u>Drake Opera Gala Dinner</u>; 6pm; Levitt Hall; reserve your ticket by February 3rd. February 10: Writers and Critics Series: Kirsten Greenidge; 5:30pm, Medbury Honors Lounge
- · January 31: Last day to add a class February 7: Last day to drop a class without a "W"

• January 27: Spring term begins and PARs due to Department Chairs

- First, third, fourth, fifth-year tenure-track faculty reviews due to the Dean 0 Tenured faculty PAE's and PAHE's are due from chairs to Dean Graduation Applications due for May 2020 graduates
- February 21: Fall and Summer 2020 and J-Term 2021 class schedule entry completed to be reviewed by A&s Dean's Office

Welcome back and happy first day of the semester! I hope you had a good winter break and successful J-Term. January went by so fast! It was a busy month, with political events on campus (the big debate!), J-term classes in seat, online and traveling far away, the Board of Trustees meeting in Denver and lots of planning meetings. I was so proud of how Drake looked on the national news-and so proud when people from all over told me that they saw our university—and our faculty interviewed as experts on tv! Yep, that's our faculty!! Good time to be in Iowa for sure, even when it's negative 1 degree (that's -19 in Celsius!). When I returned

New Major/Pathways Approved The Board of Trustees approved two new programs at their January meeting that will be available for students in Fall 2020: a major in Artificial Intelligence and a 4+2 program with Applied Behavior Analysis.

concentrations (Computer Science, Humanities and Business). The AI minor will total 24 credits. The 4+2 program with ABA will allow students to earn an undergraduate degree and a

active only for the first seven calendar days from the start date of your class. Failure to validate enrollment may lead to incorrect billing, potential financial aid miscalculations, and inaccurate student records. J-TERM 2020 GRADES: J-term 2020 grades are due by 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb 5. Please remember to enter grades for any students completing an internship or independent study.

ADD/DROP DEADLINES: Students have through Friday, Jan 31 by which to add a course and through Friday, Feb 7 by which to drop a course (without a W). If a student adds your course to their schedule, you will receive an automated confirmation email. In turn, the student will receive an email detailing that it is their responsibility to follow-up with the faculty

be set to allow the student's registration. Setting registration overrides helps students to add

coursework over weekends and afterhours, so as to have more immediate access to

RESPONDING TO STUDENTS OF CONCERN: If you are concerned about a student in your course, please raise a flag in Starfish which will prompt the appropriate office to follow-up. Another option is to complete an early alert form. The form feeds directly to the dean's office

Any permanent changes to courses, including new courses (not offered under a Special Topics course) should be submitted using the two forms on the A&S Form page. New courses and course changes for Fall and Summer 2020 should be submitted prior to March 1st to allow for approval by Curriculum Committee and A&S Council before registration begins. Once registration begins, changes courses can cause complications with a student's schedule (even causing a course to have to be removed from their schedule).

Spotlights! En Li, Assistant Professor of History, published an article "Betting Across Borders: A New Way to Read The Joy Luck Club and Other Immigrant Literature through the Window of Play."

which flourished between 1779 and 1807.

From OnCampus:

2019 W2's are available in MyDusis

will NOT be provided by Drake in Fall 2020.

application to Dean Gerhard by February 7, 2020.

Learning Management System

on office hours and other relevant information.

New Course Proposals or Course Changes

Important Action Items:

Student Award Opportunities Encourage your students to submit applications for awards from the International Travel Fund and the Cody and Julie Koch Research Scholars. Review the Submission Guidelines here. Applications are due to ask.as@drake.edu by February 1.

in institutes across the country. Drake Opera Gala Dinner Dear Opera Lovers and Friends, February 3rd is the deadline to purchase your ticket for our fabulous Drake Opera Gala

Dinner, which will take place in Levitt Hall on Friday, February 7th, 2020 at 6 pm.

Please save the date and reserve your ticket now at www.drake.edu/operagala/

A collaborative exhibition between students in Professor Inbal Mazar's 'Latin American Legends' course and students in the painting courses of Professor Angela Battle. Spanish

These events are on the University Calendar at <u>calendar.drake.edu</u>. You can submit an event to this calendar yourself—please do so to spread the news about all the things we do in

We absolutely need your presence and your support! Thank you very much!

students interviewed Des Moines residents from Latin America and shared translations of the legends with painting students, who then created visual translations. This show is a dialogue between both forms of expression. For inquiries contact: Angela Battle or Inbal Mazar.

• February 4: Drake Honor Jazz Band featuring Drake Jazz Bands and high school honor bands; Performing Arts Hall, 7:30pm • February 7: Maureen Yuen; faculty recital, violin; Sheslow Auditorium; 7:30pm

• January 31: Drake Honors Recital; Performing Arts Hall, 7:30pm

- **A&S Important Dates**
- February 15:
 - - **Submit News**

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