

ACADEMIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Changes to Online Development Courses

As the online/hybrid training program has matured, a Faculty Committee formed to consider the current and future training needs of SVSU faculty members. Data from the past two years of surveys from the outside evaluator was considered as was a review of other, similar institutions who conduct faculty training for online and hybrid courses. The following changes are being made to ensure quality instruction for our students, which is something that all faculty members state is our number one priority. To that end the following changes will be made to the online/hybrid faculty training program to better serve the needs of all SVSU faculty members.

1. Beginning in Winter 2012, there will be 2 courses available for faculty members. The course selected will be determined whether the intent of the faculty member is to create a hybrid or online course or rather to teach a course that had previously been developed by another faculty member.
2. Both courses will be HYBRID courses and will require on-ground meetings at the main campus. The meetings will be published in advance, so those faculty members from other locations can make arrangements to attend. These on-ground meetings are a mandatory portion of the course.

Course Descriptions

Developer's course: This course will be a 10-week course focusing on how to design and create either a hybrid or online course where one did not exist before. There will be 3 mandatory on-ground meetings, in weeks 1, 5, and 9 with 2 additional meetings scheduled with the instructional designer to ensure that the course design is proceeding smoothly. The additional meetings do not have to be conducted in person (technology is available for these types of meetings).

Facilitator's course: This course will be a 5-week session focusing on the skills necessary to facilitate a course that has already been developed by another faculty member. This course could be taken by an experienced faculty member or an adjunct. This course will require one mandatory on-ground meeting, in week 1 only.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Sherri Beattie at sheri@svsu.edu.

Announcements

English Department Colloquium

On Thursday, December 8, 2011, from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m., the English Department will feature Arra Ross's recent research in a lecture titled, "Scandinavian mythology and the figure of Freya." The colloquium will take place in SE-120. All are welcome to attend.

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NEXT ISSUE:

January

Deadline for submissions:
Friday, December 16, 2011

Monthly:
The first Friday of each month for publication in the next month's issue.

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Grants and Sponsored Programs

Guidelines and application materials for these and other grant opportunities may be available at <http://www.svsu.edu/sponsoredprograms/internal-grants.html>. Please contact the Office of Sponsored Programs, ext. 4295 with any questions.

SVSU CBM Family Research Business Research Grant

Application Deadline: **Thursday, January 19, 2012**

Apply online: <https://www.svsu.edu/grants/UnitGrantII.html>.

Given the significance of family business to the region, the College of Business and Management seeks to increase the breadth and depth of our collective knowledge on family business issues and strengthen the SVSU brand within the larger family business community and the broader academic community. Anticipated awards will range from \$8,000-\$15,000/team.

The Allen Foundation Student/Faculty Research Grant

Application Deadline: **Thursday, March 15, 2012**

Apply online: <https://www.svsu.edu/grants/UnitGrantII.html>.

Project Dates: May 1, 2012 - April 30, 2013

The purpose of the Allen Foundation Student/Faculty Research Grant is to support student/faculty research that addresses various health and nutritional issues facing the region. Proposals may request a maximum of \$5,000. Faculty release time or stipends are not funded; however, travel, student wages, materials and supplies is fundable.

College of Education Research Award

Application Deadline: **Thursday, March 15, 2012**

Apply online: <https://www.svsu.edu/srci>

The purpose of the College of Education Research Award is to provide seed money to support research and stimulate the submission of proposals to other agencies for external funding. Proposals are accepted from full-time faculty members on continuing appointment in the COE. Awards will be made up to \$3,000. Faculty release time or stipends are not funded; however, travel, student wages, materials and supplies is fundable.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Classes End
December 10

Final Exams
December 12-17

Commencement
December 16

Grades due to Registrar
by Noon
December 21

Winter Semester

Classes Begin
January 9

Late Registration
January 9-13

Martin Luther King, Jr.'s
Birthday - University Closed
January 16

Events & Schedules

Upcoming Zahnow Library Workshops

On Fridays during the month of January, Zahnow Library will offer faculty/staff development workshops in Z-111.

January 13:

Webinar/Workshop: Linking Articles from Databases, including the new ProQuest databases and interface. (1:00 - 2:00 p.m.)

Conducted online within the Vspace meeting tool and in person in Z-111, learn how to create persistent links to journal articles for your courses, with emphasis on the new ProQuest databases and interface. A chat session will occur simultaneously for your questions and feedback. To participate in this webinar via Vspace, you must send your email address to Scott Mellendorf (mel@svsu.edu).

Copyright, Durable Links, and Media (2:00 - 2:30 p.m.)

Learn how to obtain e-resources and place them on reserve for your students, all while successfully navigating the complexities of the copyright laws.

Finding & Using E-books for Your Teaching & Research (2:30 - 3:30 p.m.)

Bring your e-book experiences and questions to this hands-on session. Learn best practices for finding and using Zahnow Library's collection of over 95,000 e-books.

Upcoming Zahnaw Library Workshops (continued...)

January 20:

Maximizing Library Resources with a LibX Web Browser Toolbar (2:00 - 2:30 p.m.)
Receive hands-on instruction for installing and using the LibX library resource toolbar.

Tips for Creating Effective Library Research Assignments (2:30 - 3:00 p.m.)
Learn about the elements of effective library research assignments and quick tips for creating them.

January 27:

Bringing the Library to You: ILL, MeLCat, ZEDD, ZOCS & ZaNew (1:00 - 2:00 p.m.)
In addition to traditional access services, learn about several free services for faculty, staff and students.

Google Like a Librarian (2:15 - 3:15 p.m.)
Your students are using it. You're using. Why not get the most out of it? Discover how to search more efficiently with advanced search options and explore Google extras, such as Google Books and Google Scholar.

Sign up for any of these workshops at the Faculty & Staff Development Workshops page (<https://www.svsu.edu/workshops/>).

Visual Arts

Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum

The Harry Bertoia, Abstract Drawings exhibition is on display through Saturday, Jan. 6 at the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum.

University Gallery

"Student Bachelor of Fine Arts Exhibit" will be on display at the Gallery from Nov. 26 through Dec. 10. It will feature graduating BFA majors, and serves as a completion of their undergraduate program. The Gallery will host an artist's reception on Thursday, Dec. 1 from 4:30 - 7 p.m. All artist's receptions are free and open to the public. For more information on exhibits and open gallery hours visit our the gallery webpage, www.svsu.edu/artgallery, or call (989) 964-4159.

Performing Arts

Senior Recital

Brad Fergin, saxophone • Sunday, December 4, 4:00 p.m. • Rhea Miller Recital Hall • No admission charge

Cardinal Singers Concert

Featured Choir: Saginaw Bay Symphony Orchestra • Tuesday, December 6, 8:00 p.m. • Temple Theatre, Saginaw
For tickets, contact the Temple Theatre Box Office at 989.754.7469

Concert Choir Concert

Wednesday, December 7, 7:30 p.m. • Rhea Miller Recital Hall • No admission charge

SVSU Collegium Concert

A Renaissance Holiday • Thursday, December 8, 6:30 p.m. • Wirt Public Library, Bay City • No admission charge

Jazz Ensemble Concert

Thursday, December 8, 7:30 p.m. • Rhea Miller Recital Hall • No admission charge

Rhea Miller Concert Series

Percussion Group Cincinnati • Saturday, December 10, 7:30 p.m. • Rhea Miller Recital Hall • No admission charge

Theatre

It's a Wonderful Life! A 1940's Radio Show

Wednesday, November 30, 7:30 p.m. • Thursday, December 1, 7:30 p.m. • Malcolm Field Theatre for Performing Arts
\$10 General Admission, \$7 Students, Seniors • For more information, please contact the SVSU Box Office at 989.964.4261.