MESSAGE FROM THE ASSISTANT DEAN, BUSINESS-FINANCE

Here we are at the midpoint of another spring semester. Hopefully everyone has been enjoying the nice weather we have been having lately. It is time for a new staff and service professionals missive! Our focus will now shift toward the end of the semester activities, projects, and deadlines. Below are some updates to help you prepare for the upcoming weeks.

Workshops

On Thursday, April 13 from 11:00am – 12:00pm in Douglass 102, Iran Andrade from the UA Foundation Scholarship team will be available to meet with you and or anyone in your unit who coordinates scholarships. He would personally like to introduce himself to everyone and answer any questions we might have. Please attend if you deal with scholarships in your unit(s).

The next monthly workshop will be on Thursday, April 20 at 2pm in Social Sciences 224. We will be discussing Visas at this workshop. Jack Sterbis from
the Office of International Faculty & Scholars will guide us through Visa issues. This is a relevant topic as we think about the hiring of our next wave of faculty and graduate students. Anyone that handles Visa issues in your unit should attend.

On Wednesday, April 26 from 11:30am – 1:30pm we will have our annual Staff and Appointed Professional Appreciation Luncheon at the Tucson University Park Hotel (formerly Marriott University Park) at 880 E. Second Street. This is always a popular and well attended event. It is meant to thank you for your contributions. You all play a critical role in the success of this college. Hopefully you will attend (RSVP here) and have some fun with your colleagues.

Budget Update

For this month’s budget update I would like to refer you to the most recent Faculty Monthly Missive from our Dean. That missive has information regarding the current state of the college budget, and how that affects next year’s faculty hiring plans.

Staff & Service Professional Executive Committee

It is very important that staff and service professionals be involved in the strategic directions of the college. There are many ways for you to do that, including your participation in SAC, through your feedback at our monthly workshops, and through your overall input. There are many initiatives and projects that we want to complete, but we need your help. Therefore, we would like to create a Staff & Service Professional Executive Committee. This team would be composed of staff and service professionals from different units and from different positions across the college. The goal is to have a working group to help us with larger projects, provide feedback on policies, and give recommendations on new ways of doing things. It is a great way for you to be involved and to share your expertise. We are in the early stages of thinking how this group can help, but wanted to send a notice out so that you are aware in case you are interested. The group will be composed of 5-7 people with close collaboration with Dean’s office personnel. The plan is for a rotation so that we get participation from different people and get wider and more diverse feedback. More information to follow. If you are interested please let me know.

Hope you enjoy the rest of the spring semester. Again, feel free to reach out if you have ideas to cover in future missives, or if you have ideas in general on
how we can all improve what we do.

Upcoming Workshops & Trainings

SBS training sessions:
4/13/17 - UA Foundation Scholarship Workshop
4/20/17 - Staff Monthly Workshop - VISAS! Jack Sterbis/Dana Bleau

UAccess training:
4/11/17 - UAccess Symposium/Student Union

Dates & Deadlines

Student Dates & Deadlines:
- Priority Registration continues until April 23
- Last day of classes is May 3
- Reading Day is May 4
- Final exams period is from May 5-11

Other Dates & Deadlines:
- Spring 2018 Open Scheduling will likely begin in late April

Opportunities & Resources

Open positions in SBS:
- Director, Marketing and Communications - SBS Marketing
- Program Coordinator- Journalism
- Program Coordinator - School of Information

Recognition

NEW STAFF AND SERVICE PROFESSIONALS - WELCOME TO SBS!

Sheryn Crater, Student Academic Success Specialist (Online College)

Cole Eskridge, Specialist, Academic Initiatives & Student Success (Online College)

Amalia Mora, Coordinator, Gender-Based Violence (Student Affairs)

Laurel Ragaller, Administrative Associate (SBS Development)

Save the Date

UPCOMING EVENTS / SAVE THE DATE

4/26/17 - SBS Staff/AP Appreciation Luncheon at the Tucson University Park Hotel
5/12/17 - SBS Graduate
Summer Resources:

The team at Life & Work Connections - a unit of Human Resources - invites you to explore 2017 Summer Childcare Information. Contact Caryn Jung, MS at jungc@email.arizona.edu or by calling 621-9870, if there are questions.

Convocation from 9-11am at the Fox Theatre downtown
5/13/17 - SBS Undergraduate Convocation at 2pm at McKale

Did You Know?

Tucson native Sean Elliott ended his UA basketball career as the all-time scoring leader with a total of 2555 points.