Academic Advising Notes

Welcome back from spring vacation to the frenzy that is the period between spring break and final exams. This year, academic advising falls on April 9 and 10 and I want to highlight a few of the advising notes that will be sent to all advisors on Monday, along with printed Academic Evaluation Reports for those of you who like the paper ones.

- **Summer Classes at Calvin** – If any of your advisees mention needing or wanting to take summer classes, please point out to them that Calvin is again offering all our summer courses at a reduced rate of $520/semester hour. We are also offering a dozen on-line courses this summer, a big increase from the past. We have a wide variety of core available including DCM, PER courses, and foreign language. We really want to counter the trend of our students taking their core classes elsewhere.

- **Student Planning** – Students seemed to have had little (or no) trouble navigating the new student planning system. We encourage you to push your advisees to begin planning future terms as well as the fall semester. The more students who plan out all their courses across future terms, the better information we will have regarding demand for courses and for planning how many sections will be needed.

- **Student and Advising Concerns** – As you advise, if you learn about specific issues your advisees are facing (i.e. thinking about transferring or dropping out, crisis over major/program decisions, other academic struggles...), please use the student concern form which can be found [here](#).

Thank you for the attention and care you provide to students during the advising meetings you have with them. It is a hallmark of Calvin and students really value your time and expertise.

*Tom Steenwyk, registrar*

From the Faculty Activity Reports


- **Kristine Johnson** (English), “Placement as Performance Rhetoric: Factors in Directed Self-Placement” (lecture, Conference on College Composition and Communication, Pittsburgh, PA, March 15, 2019).

Be sure to [fill out](#) your Faculty Activity Reports regularly. If you have questions, see the [FAQ page](#).
Coming Up on Campus (Check the campus calendar for a full list of events)

Monday, March 25
- Chapel. Hymn-sing. 10:00 a.m., Chapel

Tuesday, March 26
- Chapel. Michelle Loyd-Paige, Faithfulness. 10:00 a.m., Chapel
- Faculty Senate meeting. 4:30 p.m., Hoogenboom 280

Wednesday, March 27
- Chapel. Sounds of Korean worship with Joe Bae. 10:00 a.m., Chapel
- Lunch and Learn with Kevin Timpe. “Disability and Inclusive Communities.” 12:00 pm., Commons Annex Alumni Board Room

Thursday, March 28
- Chapel. Taizé. 10:00 a.m., Chapel
- CALL Noontime Lecture Series. Bert DeVries, David Wunder, and Robert Hoeksema, “Preservation and Reactivation of an Ancient Water Delivery System at the Umm El-Jimal Archaeological Site in Jordan.” 12:00 p.m., DeVos Bytwerk Video Theater 015
- Education Program Forum Series. Sara Leo, “Christian Schools and the Pedagogy of Whiteness.” This event is approved for diversity and inclusion cultural competency. 3:30 p.m., Meeter Center Lecture Hall
- Jellema Lecture Series. Vincent Lloyd (Villanova U.), “Virtue Against Domination.” 3:30 p.m., Commons Annex Alumni Board Room
- The 4:04 Gathering. David Malone (Library). 4:04 p.m., Hekman Library, third floor

Friday, March 29
- Chapel. Student worship team. 10:00 a.m., Chapel
- Biology seminar. David Koetje (Biology) with David Hooker, Craig Goodworth, Phil Jasperse, “Bees: An Exhibition.” 1:30 p.m., Center Art Gallery