Faculty Awards, 2019

Congratulations to the recipients of the faculty awards for 2019:

- Advising and Mentoring Award: Joel Westra (political science)
- Collaborative Change Award: Retention Task Force—Todd Dornbos (provost’s office), Christina Edmondson (intercultural student development), Lauren Jensen (enrollment), Tom Steenwyk (center for student success), John Walcott (education), Paul Witte (financial aid)
- Community-Based Teaching Award: María Rodríguez (Spanish)
- FEN Award: Dave Warners (biology)
- Innovative Teaching Award: Roman Williams (sociology and social work)
- Student-Faculty Research Award: Elizabeth Oommen (SPAUD), Doug Vander Griend (chemistry and biochemistry)
- Teaching Excellence Award for Affiliated and Adjunct Faculty: Ryan Rooks (kinesiology), Kim Benedict (English)

These colleagues will be honored at the Tributes and Awards Dinner on Friday, May 3. The recipient of the Presidential Award for Exemplary Teaching will be announced at the dinner as well, and we will honor the following retiring faculty and faculty marking service anniversaries:

- Retiring: Christiana DeGroot (religion); Lee Hardy (philosophy); Johanna Kuyvenhoven, Susan Verwys (education); Edward Miller Jr., Marcie J. Pyper (Spanish); Ned Nielsen, Wayne Wentzheimer (engineering); Ralph Stearley (geology, geography, and environmental studies).

- 25-Year Anniversary: Jane Hendriksma (student conduct); Todd Hubers (people, strategy, and technology); Debra Bakker (kinesiology); Gayle Ermer (engineering); Edward Miller Jr. (Spanish); Ned Nielsen (engineering); Karen Sape (English); Judy Vander Woude (SPAUD); Richard Whitekettle (religion).

- 10-Year Anniversary: Kyle Heys (center for student success); Todd Cioffi (Calvin Prison Initiative); Herb Fynnewever (chemistry and biochemistry); Emily Helder (psychology); Jon Hill, Elisha Marr, Rachel Venema (sociology and social work); Vic Norman (computer science); Bret Otte (kinesiology); Marilyn Stansbury (business and accounting); Marj Terpstra (education).

Please register to attend the Tributes and Awards Dinner by next Thursday, April 25.

Two Conferences Coming Up

The Kuyper Conference will be held April 23–25, 2019, at the Prince Conference Center. The theme, “Christ and Community,” is intended to foster conversations and reflection related to the significance of the gospel for communities and social life. In addition to the advancement of scholarship, this conference aims to foster personal and professional networks of scholars, pastors, ministry professionals, civic leaders, and practitioners with interests in Kuyper and neo-Calvinism.

The Henry Institute’s 10th biennial Symposium on Religion and Public Life will be April 25–27, 2019, at the Prince Conference Center. The symposium provides opportunities to present research, foster personal and professional collaboration, and learn from thoughtful practitioners. Symposium attendance is open to anyone interested in the intersection of religion and public life.
From the Faculty Activity Reports


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, April 22**
- Easter Monday. No classes or chapel

**Tuesday, April 23**
- Chapel. Laura de Jong, “God’s Justice.” 10:00 a.m., Chapel
- Faculty Senate meeting. 4:30 p.m., Hoogenboom 280

**Wednesday, April 24**
- Chapel. Sounds of African worship with Nii Adoteye Anum. 10:00 a.m., Chapel
- Interprofessional Education (IPE) colloquium. Student presentation. 3:00 p.m., Chapel
- The 4:04 Gathering. Jolene Vos-Camy. 4:04 p.m., Hekman Library, third floor

**Thursday, April 25**
- Chapel. Breathe, Be Still, Create with Shane McNichols. 10:00 a.m., Chapel
- Kuyper Prize for Excellence in Reformed Theology and Public Life lecture. John Perkins. 11:00 a.m., Prince Conference Center
- CALL Noontime Series lecture. Michelle Loyd-Paige and Debra Freeberg, “A Conversation about Race and Higher Education.” 12:00 noon, Chapel
- Annual Kuyper Lecture. Shapri LoMaglio, “Fairness for All: Does Supporting Religious Freedom Require Opposition to LGBT Civil Rights?” 7:30 p.m., Prince Conference Center

**Friday, April 26**
- Chapel. Student worship team with Debra Perry. 10:00 a.m., Chapel
- Christian Perspectives in Science seminar. Ryan Bebej (Biology), “Evolutionary Creation and the Problem of Animal Death and Suffering Before the Fall.” 3:30 p.m., SB 110
- Engineering Retirement Celebration of Ned Nielsen and Wayne Wentzheiner. 3:30 p.m., Engineering Building
- Paul B Henry lecture. Roundtable Discussion, “Faith Democracy, and the Media.” 7:00 p.m., Prince Conference Center, Great Hall East