The Academic Bulletin
from the Office of the Provost of Calvin University
Friday, December 13, 2019

Congratulations

As the fall semester wraps up, congratulations are due to a number of faculty colleagues:

- **Jamie Skillen** (GEO) has been appointed director of the Ecosystem Preserve, effective January 1, 2020.
- **Carl Plantinga** (Communication) has been appointed to the Arthur H. DeKruyter Chair in Communication, effective September 1, 2020.

The following faculty, staff, and students* were awarded external grants and contracts during the fall semester:

- **Sambridhi Acharya**, **Lauren Ebels**, & **Joel Adams** (Computer Science) for Girls who Code: $6,000 from National Center for Women & Information Technology.
- **Adejoke Ayoola** (Nursing) for HEALTH Camp 2020: $6,000 from Michigan State Medical Society and $3,677 from Kent Medical Foundation.
- **Rachael Baker** (Chemistry and Biochemistry) & **Amy Wilstemann** (Biology) for RARE Patient Impact Grant: $4,800 from Global Genes.
- **Abraham Ceballos-Zapata** (Spanish) for Connecting Communities: $13,000 from West Michigan Asian American Association.
- **Stacy De Ruiter** (Mathematics and Statistics) for Reproducible Research and Tag Tools Workshops: $2,460 from Company of Biologists.
- **Gail Gunst Heffner** (Community Engagement) & **Dave Warners** (Biology) for:
  - Trees to Heal the Plaster Creek Watershed: $176,647 from US Department of Agriculture
  - Green Team 2020: $29,000 from Great Lakes Restoration Initiative
  - Sacred Grounds: $18,750 from The National Wildlife Federation.
- **Andrea Jordan** & **Andrew Haggerty** (Service-Learning Center) for ILI Micro-Grant: Food and Faith: $500 from Interfaith Youth Core.
- **Pennylyn Pruim** (Office of the Provost) for Courageous Pluralism: $5,000 from Interfaith Youth Core.
- **David Smith** (Kuyers Institute) & **Kevin den Dulk** (Henry Institute) for The Formative Practices of Civic Hospitality: $189,697 from The Issachar Fund.
- **Sarah Turnage** & **Natalie Rowland** (Center for Faith & Writing) for Festival of Faith & Writing: $15,000 from Michigan Humanities Council.
- **Elizabeth Vander Lei** (Office of the Provost) with the Calvin Prison Initiative, Calvin Theatre Company, Center Art Gallery, English, & Music for Dwelling Together: $15,000 from Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.
- **John Witvliet** & **Kristen Verhulst** (Calvin Institute of Christian Worship) for Renewing Christian Worship: $8,587,700 from Lilly Endowment Inc.

The grants team is available to help you secure funding to achieve your goals. [Email us](mailto:) or contact a grants manager directly: Todd Buchta (corporations/foundations, arts and humanities), Beth Dykstra (government grants, natural sciences and math).
Coming Up on Campus (Check the campus calendar for a full list of events)

Monday–Tuesday, December 16–17
• Final Exams, 9:00 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 19
• President’s open house for faculty and staff at DeWit Manor. Suggested schedule (to balance the flow of guests):
  o Last names H–Q: 2:00 p.m.
  o Last names A–G: 3:00 p.m.
  o Last names R–Z: 4:00–5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 24–Wednesday, January 1, 2020
• Campus closed for Christmas break

Thursday, December 26
• Fall semester grades due, 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 2
• Campus reopens to staff and faculty

Tuesday, January 7
• Campus reopens to students

Wednesday, January 8
• Interim term begins; January Series begins. 12:30 p.m., CFAC Auditorium