

TO: Faculty Senate Report

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We have secured the services of the search firm, Hyatt and Fennell, who will help us lead both searches to success. Both search committees are meeting soon and we will solicit input for the qualifications of the deans in order to develop the position profile and begin advertising.

The search for the Weinberg Library Dean continues. This position was advertised through the summer and we have received some applications but we have asked Hyatt and Fennell to also facilitate this search to see if we can expand the pool of candidates for this important position.

Faculty Searches

We are currently conducting searches for seven tenure-track faculty positions, two open rank positions and one faculty specialist position.

Faculty Development

- The Office of Community-Based Learning is accepting applications for the AY 2021-2022 application cycle of the **Faculty Initiatives Fund**. This provides an opportunity for faculty to request funding for costs related to **Community-Based Learning (CBL)** courses and/or academic-related community initiatives, including but not necessarily limited to CBL course-related materials, refreshments, transportation and/or CBL-related conference travel and registration fees. Each faculty member can submit up to two applications for combined awards of up to \$500 total per academic year. The funds must be used within the calendar year in which they are granted. Funding will be dispersed on a reimbursement basis.

Applications for the funding period will be accepted and reviewed on a roll wi3T/F1 12 Tf1 0 0 1 203.(.)

Student applicants and part-time employees are required to have a full-time staff or full-time faculty sponsor. Student Clubs are required to have approval of the club moderator and the Coordinator of Student Clubs and Organizations. Individual staff members and non-full-time faculty must obtain approval from their supervisor or department chair, respectively. Sponsorship or approval must be obtained prior to applying for the grant.

Rankings

In September, [*U.S. News & World Report*](#) ranked *Scranton No. 5* among the “Best Regional Universities in the North” in the 2022 edition of their “Best Colleges” guidebook, marking the 28th consecutive year that *U.S. News* ranked Scranton among the top 10 universities in its category. *U.S. News* also ranked Scranton No. 14 in its category in its “Best Undergraduate Teaching” listing of the top colleges in the nation expressing “a strong commitment to undergraduate teaching;” No. 45 as a “Best Value Regional University in the North;” and No. 138 in its category in “Top Performers on Social Mobility.” In national rankings, *U.S. News* ranked Scranton No. 166 among America’s “Best Undergraduate Business Programs;” No. 185 among “Best Undergraduate Engineering Programs;” and No. 148 among the nation’s “Best Undergraduate Nursing Programs.”

Career Development

The “First Destination Survey” report by Scranton’s Gerard R. Roche Center for Career Development is based on career success data obtained for 83% of the undergraduate class. This “knowledge rate,” or percentage of graduates for whom their career outcome is known, exceeds the National Association of College Employers recommended rate of 65 percent. The knowledge rate for members of the University’s graduate class of 2020 was 74 percent.

Of those who reported, 99% of The University of Scranton’s class of 2020 graduates at the

Course Deletion

ENLT 133X: Marx, Freud, Literature	11/5/21
ENLT 212: Masters of Darkness	11/5/21
ENLT 230: American Romanticism	11/5/21
ENLT 241: British Literature: Restoration and the 18 th Century	11/5/21
ENLT 342: Renaissance Poetry and Prose	11/5/21
ENLT 349: Restoration and 18 th Century Poetry	11/5/21
ENLT 350: Major Works; American Romantics	11/5/21
ENLT 351: Transcendentalists	11/5/21
ENLT 353: Major Works: American Realists	11/5/21

Program Change

MBA Specialization in BUAN	9/29/21
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