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to diversify biosciences faculty

- Congratulations to the 2021 Scholarship of Teaching & Learning Faculty Fellows: Stephanie Davis (University Writing Center); Jennifer Nyland (Biological Sciences); Kim Quillin (Biological Sciences); Beth Towle (English and University Writing Center); Lena Woodis (Chemistry). Thanks also to Sarah Winger for her leadership of this program.
- Congrats as well to the

to IT, Student Affairs, and ID&D for their partnership on this and to Jenn Jewell (Director School of Social Work) for the recommendation.

- Please consider reminding students in your classes to complete their **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Training for Students**. Students are receiving weekly reminders that include the log-in or they can access the training from their GullNet account. Currently, less than 1500 students have completed this valuable training, so we appreciate your endorsement and encouragement.
- The Safe Spaces Workshops are designed to help people reduce the often unwelcoming and even hostile environments in which Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT+) people navigate in their daily lives. [Click here](#) to register for the Safe Space Workshop on March 29th from 3:00-5:00.
- As Advising ramps up, don't forget the helpful email from Melissa Boog (sent on 2/15) that describes how to send emails to targeted groups of students through Navigate.
- Should you be into long-range planning, our academic calendars for the next several years are attached in a handy document.

COVID-19 Information on the [COVID-19 website](#) is constantly being updated, so please regularly check that. As noted in the email from Human Resources sent on 2/18/21, we are increasing surveillance efforts at a time when COVID-19-compliance fatigue and new variants are a concern. Consistent with the guidance from the USM, protocols developed by the University Health Team and in consultation with local and state health officials, we will be increasing our testing efforts. Beginning today, all SU faculty and staff who are on campus regularly (more than twice per month) must take an SU-administered COVID-19 rapid test at least every 14 days to maintain access to campus buildings. Faculty and staff must take their first test between March 1 and 14, regardless of the date of their last PCR test, and schedule their second test at least 10 days after their first. Appointment signups are [possible online](#). This will replace the former 30-day testing requirement for most employees.

Campus community members who are considered at high-risk or who live with those who are should feel free to contact Campus Health at [campushealth@salisbury.edu](mailto:campushealth@salisbury.edu) 410-677-0006 for assistance with parking or scheduling a testing time.

Academic Affairs Town Halls will be held this year every Second Thursday at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom. We plan to continue using the same format with deans or others reading questions from the chat or calling on attendees to ask questions/make comments. If you would like to submit a question or comment (anonymously or not), you can do so through the Questions/Feedback box on the [Academic Affairs webpage](#). Please submit your questions by noon on the day of the Academic Affairs Town Hall. [Click here](#) for the Zoom link for these meetings.

If you want to share information about events/activities of interest to faculty across campus, please send them to [provost@salisbury.edu](mailto:provost@salisbury.edu) at least three days before the first Monday of each month.

Very best regards, and remember, despite our gloomy weather, you can never hold back spring,  
Karen

Upcoming dates of interest (new events and deadlines in bold) See the [Registrar's](#)

**Calendar** for important dates.

- 3/1 DEADLINE for Faculty Mini-grant applications
- 3/1 DEADLINE for Departmental Promotions Committee to submit promotion recommendations to Department Chair (Round 2)
- 3/5 SU Foundation Professional Development Grant Applications due
- 3/10 Virtual Posters on the Bay
- 3/11 Academic Affairs Virtual Town Hall 4:00 pm
- 3/15 DEADLINE for Department Chairs to submit report on promotions to Deans (Round 2)
- 3/15 Intent to Submit for SUSRC deadline
- 3/15 DEADLINE for Spring 2022 applications to be submitted to department/program chairs
- 3/19 Final Distinguished Faculty Award Nominations due
- 3/30 DEADLINE for dDeans to submit promotions recommendations to Committee on Promotions (Round 2)
- 4/1 SURSC Abstract Submission Deadline
- 4/6 Giving Day
- 4/8 Academic Affairs Virtual Town Hall 4:00 pm
- 4/22 DEADLINE for the Committee on Promotions to submit recommendations to Provost (Round 2)
- 4/15 DEADLINE for chairs to submit Spring 2022 sabbatical recommendations to deans
- 4/23 SUSRC
- 5/1 DEADLINE: Provost notifies President of promotion recommendations (Round 2)
- 5/1 DEADLINE for Provost to submit recommendation regarding Spring 2022 sabbaticals to President
- 5/13 Academic Affairs Virtual Town Hall 4:00 pm
- 5/13-16 Commencement Exercises
- 5/15 DEADLINE: for President to notify faculty of promotion decision (Round 2)
- 8/1 DEADLINE for President to approve/not approve Spring 2022 sabbatical applications

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