The Provost

Commencement Ceremonies – CSB and SJU: Additional staffing needed! see complete email sent from the Office of the President on 2/7/23

We will host the CSB Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 13 at 2:00 p.m. in the Clemens Fieldhouse and the SJU Commencement ceremony on Sunday, May 14 at 2:00 p.m. in the Abbey Church. To be successful, these commencement events will need a significant number of workers to fill a variety of event roles. Workers need to be available from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. to help before, during, and after the events. Times will be finalized as our celebrations get closer. If you work commencement, please coordinate with your supervisor to designate another day in the week when you can flex your hours. All workers will be contacted one to two weeks out from the events with further details about times, roles, and training considerations.

If you can work, please let us know via this Forms Manager submission: https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/VZB7D0IR1Q. Please note that May 14 is Mother’s Day.

Student Events and Activities March 12-18: see attached

The Deans

Call for instructors: Faculty and staff interested in serving first-year students are strongly encouraged to apply to teach INTG 105 College Success in Fall 2023. The application form is now open! https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/O9E0AEVC9L

The College Success course is a fundamental component of dedicated programming for incoming CSB and SJU students that we call the First-Year Experience (FYX). Through the course instructors have an opportunity to serve as an early point of connection for new students and help set them up for success at CSB and SJU. All full-time faculty and staff with a master’s degree are eligible to apply.

This 1-credit course meets once per week for 55 minutes throughout fall semester. Each section is assigned a peer mentor who has been competitively selected and trained to provide personalized guidance and mentorship to first-year students in the INTG 105 course. The course is capped at 26 students per section and will be offered at various times across both campuses. See the attached call and application form for additional details. Apply today! Review of applications will begin on March 15th. For more information, please contact Karyl Daughters (kdaughters@csbsju.edu)
Faculty Awards: recipients of faculty awards will be recognized at the Academic Affairs Awards Ceremony on May 8. Nomination deadlines:

- Jennifer Galovich Service Award: **3/20/2023**
- Academic Advisor of the Year Award: To Be Announced

*See attached documents for eligibility criteria and additional information.*

Academic Impressions: LGBTQ Leader Success: Two-Part Discussion & Training - May 3 and June 7 see link below for more details: [here](#). This training is free and available to ALL CSB and SJU employees.

Save the date! Fall Convocation Friday, August 25, 2023: Please plan to join us for Fall 2023 Convocation on Friday 8/25/23! The success of the new joint Convocation model at CSB and SJU in fall 2022 provided the opportunity to examine the form and effectiveness of Convocation for the community. After careful consideration for accessibility and student engagement Convocation will now be held on the Friday before the start of fall term, as a community event and part of the first full day of new student orientation. All faculty, staff, and students on campus will be welcomed to attend. The first day of fall semester will now have a regular full class schedule and all departments may be open for regular hours. More details to come.

New Student Registration Days are a dynamic way for CSB and SJU to share important information and welcome the class of 2027! There are many facets to these days for deposited students and their parents. Students who come to campus will receive their academic schedules and find out their room assignments and roommates. Parents will learn more about ways in which our schools will support their child over the next four years. These will include sessions by Student Development, Academic Advising, as well as departments that support safety and well-being. New Student Registration Day options: June 15, 16, 21, or 22. There will be a robust virtual option for students unable to attend in-person. Contact Erik Aschenbeck in the Admission Office ([easchenbeck@csbsju.edu](mailto:easchenbeck@csbsju.edu)) with questions.

Faculty Development and Research Committee

FDRC 2nd Call 2023-2024 Fiscal Year: see 3/7 email from Academic Affairs for complete details. The Faculty Development and Research Committee (FDRC) invites proposals for Professional Development funds and for Curriculum and Program Development funds to be used during the 2023-2024 fiscal year (July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024). Applications are due by **Friday, March 24th, 2023 at 11:59PM**. Please read the guidelines for proposals and budgets carefully and follow all guidelines to ensure your proposal is adequate for review. **Please note:** There is a new budget template this year to accompany FDRC applications. This is a change from past years. If you have questions, please reach out to the co-chairs: Ashley Fink or Emily Heying

IC Development Opportunities

INTG 100 and 300 development opportunities: see the 2/27 email from Academic Affairs

INTG 300 (Learning Integrations) in-person orientation sessions: These sessions are for anyone scheduled to teach, interested in teaching, or simply wanting to know more about this important capstone experience of the general education curriculum.
• Monday, March 20, 3:00-4:00pm, Quad 349 (SJU)
• Wednesday, March 22, 8:00-9:00am, HAB 118 (CSB)

No sign up necessary. One session will be recorded for later viewing for those unable to attend. This will preview the course development workshop for INTG 300 that will take place on Thursday, May 25 (details below).

**INTG 100 Learning Foundations two-day workshop and INTG 300 Learning Integrations two-day workshop:** These workshops are designed for both returning and new instructors and will include generative discussion of course design and instructional strategies. Due to the collaborative nature of these workshops, there will be no Zoom or recorded options. Any materials produced for or during the workshops will be posted to the respective course page in the [Integrations Curriculum Canvas site](https://community.canvas.instructure.com/).

• The **INTG 100 Learning Foundations** workshop will be held **Wednesday, May 24th from 8:30-4:00pm** in Quad 264 at SJU. The workshop will include discussion of instructional strategies for each learning goal, ePortfolio and assessment procedure, and common reading review and selection. A detailed agenda is included on the registration form. Participants will receive a full-day stipend.

Sign-up to attend the INTG 100 workshop by completing this [registration form](https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/YP2JX0CDFB).

• The **INTG 300 Learning Integrations** workshop will be held **Thursday, May 25th from 8:30-4:00pm** in Quad 264 at SJU. The workshop will include discussion of instructional strategies for each learning goal, ePortfolio review and reflection process, and developing Integrated Knowledge essay assignments. A detailed agenda is included on the registration form. Participants will receive a full-day stipend.

Sign-up to attend the INTG 300 by completing this [registration form](https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/DOD05O650Z).

Please reach out to Karyl Daughters or Laura Schmitz ([LSCHMITZ@CSBSJU.EDU](mailto:LSCHMITZ@CSBSJU.EDU)) if you have questions.

**Center for Teaching and Learning**

“**Small Steps for Building More Inclusive Classrooms**” workshop - **Wednesday, March 15 at 4:30 pm, Gorecki 204:** The next faculty development workshop sponsored by the HHMI Team and the Center for Teaching and Learning takes place on Wednesday, March 15 at 4:30 pm. Dr. Tracie Addy will lead a workshop entitled "Small Steps for Building More Inclusive Classrooms." This is an exciting opportunity to engage with your colleagues in an interactive workshop with this Keynote Speaker. For more information about Dr. Addy and the workshop, please click on this [news release](https://www.csbsju.edu/news/hhmi-workshop-event-2023).

As noted in the attached flyer, Dr. Addy is asking faculty to do some reflection prior to the workshop by thinking about your "individual definition of inclusive teaching as applied to their course contexts as well as any perceived barriers to implementation."

**The Study**
The Study's Grand Opening – Thursday, March 23 10 am – 5 pm; Tom Thole Study Center, Alcuin Library 371: Mark your calendars for The Study’s grand opening! Refreshments will be available throughout the day. It’s a perfect stop on your way to Write Now! The Study offers individual peer academic coaching and other resources to support students’ academic ambitions and achievements. Popular coaching topics this spring include priorities & time management, reading and note-taking strategies, and goal setting. Available resources continue to expand, including tips for managing group work and guidance in requesting letters of recommendation. By supporting students in these areas, we also hope to support the work faculty and staff do with students across our campuses. Come celebrate with us!

The What? In fall 2022, The Study opened as a destination for students seeking to take some guesswork out of developing effective academic skills/strategies. Theresa Anderson, formerly of Academic Advising, leads The Study and a team of Peer Academic Coaches who meet with students individually to offer coaching tailored to students’ goals.

Canvas Course Resources: Faculty, staff, and students were recently added to the Study’s Canvas course page. This page, which will continue to evolve, gives students 24/7 access to resources on topics ranging from basic time management to MCAT preparation. Faculty are welcome to link documents there to your own course pages, propose additional topics, and share resources that can be adapted or uploaded to this page for general use.

Reaching Students: You can help students connect with The Study:
- Make an in-class announcement (or demo!) of the Canvas resource.
- Encourage students to stop in or schedule a coaching meeting.
- Make a referral via Hive.
- Promote The Study as an ambition-based resource. We expect all our students have goals and will continually build new academic skills in their time here.

Multicultural Center

Ramadan will begin on March 22! Check the attached guide for tips in how you can support Muslim students observing Ramadan.

Research and Grants Office

Shout Outs: A shout out to Noreen Herzfeld, Reuter Professor of Science and Religion, in Computer Science and the School of Theology for the release of her new book, The Artifice of Intelligence: Divine and Human Relationship in a Robotic Age, published by Fortress Press. Congratulations, Noreen!

Congratulations to Diana Fenton in Education on two important new publications! Both of these publications highlight the important work of the Benedictine Sisters in the realm of science education. The first is a new digital exhibit, “Sisters in Science” which was released on March 1st. Then the International Journal of Religion and Spirituality in Society published Diana’s new journal article, “Dual Vocations of Science and Religion: A Historical Case Study of Benedictine Women” (see attached) on March 8. Well done, Diana!
Want to **Shout Out** your own achievements or raise up one of our colleagues? Tell us about a new publication or book, an award or recognition, the launch or culmination of a project, and/or other accomplishments that your colleagues should know about. Click here to [Submit a Shout Out](#) or find the link on the Research & Grants Office page: [www.csbsju.edu/research-grants](http://www.csbsju.edu/research-grants).

**Write Now! is back:** Write Now!, the twice weekly co-writing meetup, is back for Spring semester! Join us at:
- CSB: Mondays, 8:30-10:30a @ HCC 114/115
- SJU: Thursdays, 1:30-3:30p @ Alcuin 303

Come work on your scholarship/writing in the company of colleagues working on theirs. Stay for the entire block or pop in/leave when you need to. Just bring your work and a beverage or snack and enjoy the low-level accountability of working near others.

**Experience HUB**

**XPD**

Advising season is in full swing! XPD has two key resources to support faculty advisors as they respond to professional development questions! Our snapshot is a one-page guide (attached) outlining key services and resources, including:

1. Handshake: Learn how you can use Handshake during advising conversations through this short, tutorial video: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3b_9Q8WScpA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3b_9Q8WScpA).
2. The Experience Hub Canvas Course: Find interactive modules to help you, and your students, answer professional development questions: [https://csbsju.instructure.com/courses/15383](https://csbsju.instructure.com/courses/15383)

**Virtual Experience Hub After Hours:** Students can schedule or virtually drop-in to meet with a Hub Mentor during the virtual Experience Hub After Hours on Wednesdays from 6pm-8pm. Hub Mentors will be available to help with: Resumes, Cover letters, Handshake, LinkedIn, Interviewing Skills, Connecting with Alums, Pathways questions, Study Abroad applications/ programs, Undergraduate Research & Scholars questions. *See attached flyer*

**Center for Global Education**

**2023/2024 Semester Study Abroad Application deadlines:** It’s not too late for students to apply for 2023/2024 Semester Study Abroad. **Final Fall 2023 Deadline is Wed, March 15 at noon.** Programs close when filled, so students should apply ASAP. Explore available programs on the [CSBSJU-Global Portal](#) and learn about the application process on the [Center for Global Education (CGE) website](#)! Applications now open for these fall programs: *Austria, Chile, France, Ireland-Dublin, Italy, Japan, UK-London.*

**Final Spring 2024 Deadline is September 1 at noon.** Application now open for these spring programs: *Australia, South Africa, Spain.*

Students with questions about classes, financing study abroad, or worried about being away from friends and family should make an appointment with CGE in the HIVE or reach out to us at [cge@csbsju.edu](mailto:cge@csbsju.edu) with questions. We love helping CSB and SJU students make study abroad work!
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FACULTY COHORT OF THE 2023 SUMMER COLLABORATIVE GRANT. Every summer, OURS commits to funding a total of 13 student-faculty collaborative teams to work on a wide range of research and creative work projects. These funds are available to ALL disciplines and are distinct from traditional departmental lines held by each department. OURS recognizes the importance of centering Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in our on-campus research efforts; as a result, projects that emphasize DEI work are uplifted. Faculty are working to hire student collaborators and preparing for a transformative summer of scholarship and mentorship. Thank you for your commitment to undergraduate research!

Trajectory and Legacy Project
Mary Pesch | Nursing

Essential work: Doula care and maternal health inequalities in the United States
Dr. Ellen Block | Sociology

Personality Assessment of Candidates in the 2024 U.S. Presidential Election
Dr. Aubrey Immelman | Psychology

Effective Simulation in Intro Computer Science
Dr. Peter Omann and Dr. Heather Amthauer | Computer Science

Benedictine and Ojibwe Relations: An Analysis of Materials in the Abbey Archives
Dr. Ted Gordon | Sociology

Symbol and Social Ethics in Rural Christianity
Dr. Benjamin Durheim | Theology

Development of High-Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC) based method for detection of cyanide poisoning biomarker.
Dr. Md Fazal | Chemistry

Why Race and Gender Equality Cannot Remain in the Backburner: An Intersectional Analysis of US Labor Markets with a Focus on three Midwestern States
Dr. Sucharita Mukherjee | Economics

The Bahamas Oral History Project
Dr. Brittany Merritt Nash | History

Detection of Metabolon Formation in the Citric Acid Cycle
Dr. Lisa Gentile | Chemistry

Using Freeware to Teach Undergrad Students
Drs. Christi Siver and Colin Hannigan | Political Science
NOW ACCEPTING FACULTY PROPOSALS FOR 2023-2024 EMERGING SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Office of Undergraduate Research & Scholars is now accepting proposals for our next cohort of the Emerging Scholars Program. If you are interested in mentoring an Emerging Scholar and have a well-designed project, please consider applying. Priority faculty deadline is April 15.

- The Emerging Scholars (ES) Program provides mentorship and a paid research experience to underrepresented first-year or early transfer students. Apply here: https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/QCAHYQ34DI

REGISTER FOR CSC DAY! Join us on April 27 for Celebrating Scholarship & Creativity Day! CSC Day will continue our tradition of recognizing and honoring the achievements of students, faculty, and staff who have undertaken significant research, scholarship, or creative works during this academic year. Student registration due April 7! https://www.csbsju.edu/ours/celebrating-scholarship-and-creativity-day

REGISTER FOR WINCHELL UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM! Saturday, April 29, 2023, hosted by College of Saint Benedict & Saint John’s University. Registration is now open! The Winchell Symposium prepares undergraduates to enter STEM fields by providing a forum for students to showcase their scientific research, receive comments from professional scientists and peers, and network with professionals in the fields they aspire to enter. The symposium includes a keynote lecture, student presentations, breakout sessions. This year’s keynote is alumna Dr. Lisa Jungbauer Nikolas, Medtronic, discussing “MEDICAL DEVICE INNOVATIONS: WHO, WHERE & WHAT DO THEY ‘S.T.E.M.’ FROM?” https://www.mnmas.org/wrs-event-information

Information Technology

ChatGPT and Generative AI session: Wednesday, March 29 2-3pm Kling Media Lab, SJU Learning Commons 181: Librarians, Instructional Technology Specialists, and Erica Stonestreet will hold a hands-on session on ChatGPT and Generative AI. Come and try Chat GPT. In this hands-on session, participants will try it with a variety of prompts specific to their discipline. We will do fact checking of the references it provides, and Erica Stonestreet will share how she is using it in the classroom. She will share her assignment and we’ll have time for a discussion about it as a pedagogical tool.

Hint: when Instructional Technology Specialists and Librarians tested its accuracy, most of the references were made up. Join us to see it for yourself. You won’t leave disappointed.

Get to Know Your Mac – Free Live Online Training: Apple Enterprise is offering free live online training sessions. Whether you’re an experienced user or brand new to Mac, you won’t want to miss this series packed with productivity and navigation tips. The training sessions are offered to higher education faculty and staff. Click More Info for more information and registration.
Link: Get To Know Your Mac

Academic Software Requests & Renewals: IT Services is beginning the process for requesting & renewing academic software for AY 23-24. Please use the link to submit new software requests. If you have requested software for the current academic year, you should have received a renewal email. Software not requested through this process may not be eligible for installation on the network and will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Please reach out to Joshua Akkerman - jakkerman001@csbsju.edu - with any questions. More Information
Instructional Technology Day 5/16/2023: More information will be shared as we develop it. If you have topics you're interested in learning more about or something you'd like to present on, please contact Miranda Novak at mnovak@csbsju.edu.

Faculty Governance

Joint Faculty Assembly (4:30-5:30 pm) Tuesday, March 23  Zoom https://csbsju.zoom.us/j/98269442900

Joint Faculty Senate Meeting (4:30-6:00) Tuesday, April 11 Quad 264
- In-Person for Senators/ex officio members/presenters/any individuals wishing to speak
- Virtual for faculty/staff observers: https://csbsju.zoom.us/j/96321358151
See the email from the JFA Chair and Vice Chair on 8/22/22 for all meeting dates. For more information regarding these meetings watch for emails from jfachairandvicechair@csbsju.edu

Fine Arts Programming

The Latehomecomer  March 16 and 17 7:30 p.m. Gorecki Family Theater, BAC
https://www.csbsju.edu/fine-arts/performances/the-latehomecomer
Join us in a night of heartstrings being pulled as Literature to Life presents The Latehomecomer. Follow the story of a Hmong refugee in Thailand as she comes of age in a transitory time told in spoken word form. Performed by Hmong actress and traditional Flower Singer Gaosong Heu, this deeply moving story brings themes of family, hope, and home.

One Man Avengers is Performing March 25 7:30 pm SBH:
https://www.csbsju.edu/fine-arts/performances/one-man-avengers
Charlie Ross is coming March 25, 2023 to bring the big screen to the stage! With his uncanny ability to channel dozens of characters, One Man Avengers will give you all the laughs and excitement of your favorite superhero movie condensed into a hilarious action-packed performance

The Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain:: April 14  7:30 pm Escher Auditorium
https://www.csbsju.edu/fine-arts/performances/ukulele-orchestra-of-great-britain-2023
Experience the joy of just four strings with The Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain! With wit and charm, they’ll take you on a ride through your favorite songs and genres you’d never expect to hear on a ukulele! There will also be an audience play-along in the show, so bring your own ukulele and join in the fun!

Visit the FAP website and the Bulletin Board for more programing in March and April: https://www.csbsju.edu/fine-arts

Benedictine Institute

Benedictine Perspectives on DEIJ Lunchtime Conversations - Let's Hear from You!
~ Tuesday, March 21st from 11:30-12:30 p.m. at SJU or,
~ Wednesday, March 22nd from 11:45-12:45 p.m. at CSB
The Benedictine Institute has sponsored talks aimed at exploring Benedictine perspectives on diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice (DEIJ). Join us for lunch and conversation on how the Benedictine tradition can guide DEIJ efforts on campus. Check out the introductory video and register for either session below. There is no fee and lunch is provided. Space is limited, so register soon. More Information

Call for Papers for the ABCU/Benedictine Pedagogy Conference (BPC) (June 26-29, 2023)
Deadline: Friday, Mar. 24: St. Leo University, Saint Leo, Florida, is requesting a call for papers, panels, and round tables on the integration of the Benedictine perspective into the collegiate life of students, faculty, and staff. The strongest proposals make explicit connection to the Rule of Benedict and/or the ABCU’s Ten Hallmarks of Benedictine Education. More Information

Invitation to Faculty, Student Life Personnel, Administration, & Staff to Attend the BPC
Application Deadline: Monday, Apr. 3 The BPC provides a venue for participants to share ideas and practices they have used to successfully integrate the Ten Hallmarks developed by ABCU in the classroom, student life, and collegiate environment. The BPC will be held simultaneously with the ABCU Leadership Formation Institute. Participants will be invited to joint sessions with keynote and guest speakers, as well as liturgical and social events over the three days of the conference. The Benedictine Institute fully funds a limited number of faculty as well as administrative and support staff to attend. More information

The Buzz on Campus

“Echoes of the Divine” concert series: March 16, April 3, and April 20, each at 7:30 p.m. in SJU’s Emmaus Hall Chapel: In this series, pianist Amy Grinsteiner and cellist Thomas Schönberg will perform classical compositions of musical traditions steeped in Jewish and Christian religious themes and sensibilities. Accompanied by conversations moderated by David Jordan Harris. Each concert qualifies as an ARTE/FAE event and is free and open to the public. More Information

Gather featuring Dr. Pedro dos Santos: Thursday, March 16 at 4:30pm at Milk & Honey Cookies, cider & women’s empowerment w/ Dr. Pedro dos Santos
Are political institutions designed to disempower women? What happens when we start electing (and appointing) more women to prestigious political positions? Dr. dos Santos will share insights from his book, Women's Empowerment and Disempowerment in Brazil, his other publications, as well as his Fulbright Scholar experience in Brazil. Enjoy free cider, cookies, and good conversation! More Information

Grand Illuminations: "Somebody Will Wrong You Sometime" Thursday, March 16th @ 7 P.M. in Quad 264: Neither the plague, nor snow, nor sleet can stop the Grand Illuminations series! It returns (finally) on Thursday, March 16th @ 7 P.M. in Quad 264 with "Somebody Will Wrong You Sometime." Sir Vincent Smiles (Theology) and Tony Cunningham (Philosophy) will begin the conversation, a bit like Jesus and Homer’s Achilles having a thoughtful lunch. The GI series strives to engage with topics at the heart of living a good, meaningful life. See the link for a Prologue. All are welcome! Bring a friend! More Information
Lunch & Learn at CSB, Tuesday, March 28  11:30am–12:30pm  Gorecki 204
"Discerning a Call: the process of becoming a sister at Saint Benedict’s Monastery" will be presented by Sister Laura Suhr, OSB. Have you wondered about the sisters’ callings? What is the process? Why would anyone want to join? S. Laura will share her vocational journey and some of the specifics on becoming a perpetually professed Benedictine sister. Please RSVP [here](#) provided. Sponsored entirely by the Benedictine Institute. [More Information](#)

Public Reading and Conversation by Robert Glick Tuesday, March 28, 2023
7:00 p.m. Quad 264 SJU: Robert Glick is the author of the short story collection *Two Californias* (C&R Press, 2019) and an Associate Professor of English at the Rochester Institute of Technology, where he teaches creative writing, electronic literature, and the occasional course on zombies. His work has been published in *Diagram, Denver Quarterly,* and *Gettysburg Review*. More recently, excerpts from his just-completed novel, *The Asterisms*, have won competitions in *Summer Literary Seminars* and *New Ohio Review*. See attached flyer

**Fifth Tournées Film Festival at CSB and SJU:** The Festival includes six films over six weeks (2/14-3/30) and has been approved as an ARTE series of events. All films are free of charge and will be subtitled in English. Each film will be introduced by a guest speaker from our community and after the screening, there will be an opportunity for moderated discussion. Film screenings start at 6:30pm. See attached for more information: [https://www.csbsju.edu/languages-and-cultures/french/news-and-events](https://www.csbsju.edu/languages-and-cultures/french/news-and-events) Watch the Bulletin Board for more information about location of screenings.

Do you have information for The Buzz? If you have information you would like included in The Buzz please submit to this link: [The BUZZ information](#)

The Buzz can be found on the Academic Affairs website under related links. [https://www.csbsju.edu/academic-affairs](https://www.csbsju.edu/academic-affairs)