The Provost

SAVE THE DATE: Academic Affairs Awards Ceremony - May 8 at 3:00 pm Gorecki 204
- 3:00-3:30 pm Social
- 3:30 pm Awards Ceremony

This occasion is an opportunity to thank and honor those faculty who have dedicated much time and talent to the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John’s University. The awards ceremony will honor our faculty award recipients, retirees and more. Years of service will not be recognized at this event. All employees will be recognized for years of service at the All Employee Recognition Social on May 25 from 2-4 pm in Clemens Field House (CSB) which is hosted by CSB and SJU Human Resources. Please RSVP by April 24, 2023 here: Academic Affairs Awards Ceremony RSVP 2023

Commencement Ceremonies – CSB and SJU: Additional staffing needed!
Thank you to all who have signed up to work for the CSB Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 13 at 2:00 p.m. in the Clemens Fieldhouse. We are still in need of workers for the SJU Commencement ceremony on Sunday, May 14 at 2:00 p.m. in the Abbey Church. 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 April 11-15: see attached

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.
The Deans

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.

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) with questions.

The Study

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 - March 22-April 20! Check the attached guide for tips in how you can support Muslim students observing Ramadan.

Research and Grants Office


Congratulations to Betsy Johnson in Communication and English for being a finalist in multiple recent competitions. Her poetry manuscript, viscera, has been a finalist in the National Poetry Series Competition, and the University of Wisconsin Poetry Prize, among others. Her play manuscript—Run, Hide, Fight—was a finalist in the Arts and Letters Drama Prize. She also has been invited to speak at the CSB and SJU Red Talks on April 13. The title of her presentation is "The Three Lessons I Learned When My Life Went Sideways." Well done, Betsy!
**Shout Outs:** 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! CSB on Mondays, 8:30-10:30am @ Main 107, Fireside Lounge:**
Write Now!, the co-writing meetup - 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.

**Libraries**

**Book Shots:**
Book Shot with Sam Rengo, a Political Science major, and Aubrey Sherman, a Communication major, and both members of the Johnnie Development Institute. They will discuss the book, *Aimless: A Journey to Constructive Masculinity* by John D'Agostini. Listen to it here: [https://open.spotify.com/show/5pC28sxitLtfAgHfYNIxW](https://open.spotify.com/show/5pC28sxitLtfAgHfYNIxW).

Book Shot with Jervon Sands:
This week's **Book Shot** podcast features Jervon Sands, an Applied Physics major and co-chair of the Archipelago Caribbean Association. Jervon will be discussing the story, *Lusca and other Fantastic Tales* by Patricia Glinton-Meicholas. Listen here: [https://open.spotify.com/show/5pC28sxitLtfAgHfYNIxW](https://open.spotify.com/show/5pC28sxitLtfAgHfYNIxW)

**Room Reservations in the Libraries:** As finals approach, many patrons are seeking a space to focus on academic work. Both Clemens Library and Alcuin Library use the campus EMS reservation system to manage reservations for study rooms and meeting spaces. In addition to reservable spaces in the Libraries, we encourage you to contact The Study, located in Alcuin Library, for more options for study groups and support.

**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*
Office of Undergraduate Research

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 considering 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](https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/QCAHYQ34DI)

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 aluma 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](https://www.mnmas.org/wrs-event-information)

**Information Technology**

**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](mailto:jakkerman001@csbsju.edu) with any questions. [More Information](#)

**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.

**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](mailto:mnovak@csbsju.edu)

**Faculty Governance**

**Joint Faculty Senate Meeting (4:30-6:00) Tuesday, April 25 - Online only** (previously a JFA)
- [https://csbsju.zoom.us/j/96321358151](https://csbsju.zoom.us/j/96321358151)

**Joint Faculty Senate (4:30-6:00 pm) Tuesday, May 2 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](https://csbsju.zoom.us/j/96321358151)

For more information regarding these meetings watch for emails from [jfachairandvicechair@csbsju.edu](mailto:jfachairandvicechair@csbsju.edu)
Fine Arts Programming

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

The Buzz on Campus

A Piano Extravaganza! Sunday April 16th, 7:00 PM at the Stephen B. Humphrey Theater!
This is a piano concert celebrating the Late Dr. Edward Turley, on what would have been his 71st Birthday. The concert will feature special recordings made by Dr. Turley along with pianists and dancers! This concert is open to the public and counts as a Free FAE/ARTE credit.
We hope to see you there!

Safe Space Training for faculty and staff - April 19 11am-12:30pm in Gorecki 120 at CSB. Free lunch provided! If you didn’t participate in Safe Space Training last year (or would like a refresher) please sign up here: https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/5K22TQZRJO We will work with the first 30 people who sign up. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Keller (jkeller@csbsju.edu) or Sarah Gewirtz (sgewirtz@csbsju.edu).

“Echoes of the Divine” concert series: April 3, and April 20, each at 7:30 p.m. in SJU’s Emmaus Hall Chapel: In this series, pianist Amy Grinstein 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

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