

School of Education

Today is
September 26,
2014

Reminders

1. Graduate advisors got emails this week notifying you of admitted students who have more than 18 graduate credits but do not yet have candidacy petitions. Please follow up with these students to get their CPs filed. Registration holds will be placed on these students Tuesday, October 20 if they don't have candidacy petitions by then.
2. J-term textbook adoptions due Oct 15.
3. Send news for next week's newsletter to Jan McMahill

Chapter 79 revisions

More info available here: <https://sites.google.com/site/ch79update2013/>
If you are going to download anything from the website listed above, look at the "Chapter 79 with changes and links" that was posted by Larry Bice on September 19. The DE is still in the public comment phase regarding these changes, but the things to look at are not so much the rules changes as the second and third columns of the draft entitled "Guidance to Field (Binding Requirements)" and "Technical Assistance (Suggestions, Examples, Clarification)" from the DE, which go well beyond the rules changes. Read the underlined parts from columns 2 and 3 particularly carefully.

79.12(2) A chart or table must illustrate all faculty members' knowledge, experiences, educational preparation aligned with courses taught. Example: an instructor teaching secondary science methods must have preparation and experiences in secondary science teaching.

79.12(5) For faculty members engaged in teacher preparation, activities shall include at least forty hours of teaching at the appropriate grade level(s) during a period not exceeding five years in duration. This requirement applies to all faculty members who teach students or candidates strategies and methods for teaching including planning, assessment, differentiation, instruction, writing curriculum. Examples: math methods and foundations of education classes where lesson planning is taught.

79.13(7) Survey of graduates and their employers. Annual surveys must be conducted.

79.14(7) Student teaching experience. A candidate must complete all preparation and endorsement coursework before student teaching.

Blogs - 2

1. The grand theory of neo-emotivism: <http://kipworldblog.blogspot.co.uk/2014/09/the-grand-theory-of-neo-emotivism.html>
2. What to look for in a leader http://blog.kevineikenberry.com/leadership-supervisory-skills/look-future-leaders/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+kevineikenberry%2F1qNO+%28Kevin%27s+Blog%29

Data - 2

1. Entering First Year retention data are now available university-wide. The SOE had made a comeback to to 86.7 retention of first year students in 2013-14 (whoo hoo!), back to where we were in 2009-10 and 2010-11, after

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Update s - 2

1. Report from Trent Grundmeyer: The University Benefits Committee recommended to cabinet that there be no rate change for insurance but an increase to our health care deductible and out-of-pocket maximums. This is hopefully a more long term answer to increased medical costs the university has accrued the last two years.

2. Accept the challenge from Anne Murr to consider forming SOE Spelling Bee teams:
WHAT: Adult Spelling Bee
WHERE: Des Moines Social Club
WHEN: Friday, Nov. 14, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. (as part of the Wonder of Words Festival!)
WHO: Teams of 5 adults

a temporary dip to the low 80's in 2011-12 and 2012-13. SOE numbers are comparable to Arts and Sciences, but behind the other professional schools.

2. PISA results in math, reading, and science have been shared with participating (selected) Iowa Schools. Here's what Ames is sharing with the public: <http://www.ames.k12.ia.us/NewsDocs/Archive/News091214.html>

3. Other data you want to share? Send it along!

Spotlight

On Sept. 19, over 200 Iowa teachers, consultants and administrators gathered in Parent's Hall for a literacy conference. The workshop leader was University of Michigan professor Nell K. Duke noted for her most recent work on implementing the National Core literacy curriculum for K-3 teachers. Participants received a copy of her text "Inside Information: Developing Powerful Readers and Writers of Informational Text Through Project-Based Instruction"

The event was sponsored by the Iowa chapter of ASCD, the Association for School Curriculum Development. School of Education Professor Elaine Smith-Bright serves on the Iowa ASCD board of directors responsible for the event. Administrative Assistant Bridget Arrasmith managed the registration of this successful Drake event.

Media -1

1. OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Governor Terry E. Branstad « Lt. Governor Kim Reynolds
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Lt. Gov. Kim Reynolds announces Statewide STEM Female Mentoring Effort

Iowa viewed as national model for other states to follow

(DES MOINES) – Today, Lt. Gov. Kim Reynolds was joined by STEMconnector CEO Edie Fraser, Drake University Athletic Director Sandy Hatfield-Clubb, Iowa Association of Business and Industry President Mike Ralston, and Jana Rieker, Bankers Trust Vice President of Sales and Marketing, at a news conference in the Iowa Statehouse Rotunda. Reynolds announced a national public-private model on ways to engage thousands of mentors for young girls and women to actively pursue STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) education and careers. The first statewide model of its kind, Million Women Mentors (MWM)-Iowa, targets 5,000 female and male mentors from all 99 counties in the next four years.

“Launching MWM-Iowa is another component of our statewide-strategy to attract individuals to STEM careers. In particular, I believe mentors can guide, encourage, and open doors for girls and young women to be fully equipped for the great jobs of tomorrow in STEM-related careers.”...
...“We know 80 percent of the fastest growing occupations in the United States depend upon mastery of mathematics and scientific knowledge and skills. Being able to secure 5,000 female and male mentors in Iowa to urge young girls and women to consider STEM fields is a huge step forward in increasing awareness and generating excitement,” said Rieker...Co-Chair Mike Ralston agreed. “It’s a tribute to Iowa on how many major companies

Huge Counseling Grant !

The federal government has confirmed that a \$999,995 grant has been awarded to our counseling department over the next five years.

Dr. Stensrud says:

"We are delighted to receive this grant because it will provide scholarships to students seeking a Masters degree in Rehabilitation Counseling. These grants are very competitive and we appreciate Drake's support in securing this million dollar award."

stepped up to pledge mentors in the past 30 days. We have 13 companies that pledged more than 1,200 mentors together, so we're already well on our way toward our goal of 5,000."

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