

Today is February 19, 2016

## Dates

March 1-21. Midterm grade entry window. Please do this, especially if students are not doing well.

March 29. Findley first graders visit Drake.

April 4 is the first day of registration for summer, spring, and J-term. Advisors should meet with advisees before registration (during March).

## 1st grade class at Findley visiting (volunteers needed)

Drake University has adopted the 1st grade class at Findley elementary through the I Have a Dream program and the students will be visiting Drake on March 29 from 9:45-1:00 pm. Please contact [catherine.gillespie@drake.edu](mailto:catherine.gillespie@drake.edu) to volunteer your time/students to provide activities for these first grades between 10 am and noon on March 29.

## Middle School endorsement

The Illinois State Board of Education has just approved Drake's two online middle school endorsements. Quick. Contact your pals in Illinois who might want to take these classes.

## At large faculty senator

Vote early vote often! Robyn Cooper, Shelley Fairbairn, Matt Hayden, and Jerrid Kruse are all interested.

## Plus/Minus grading

Note that as the university implements plus/minus grading in the Fall 2016 semester, the old rule "C or better" will now be "C minus or better." Our website will be updated accordingly.

## Invitation for students

Hello colleagues,

I am reaching out to you to ask if you would let your students in your majors know about the opportunity to apply to be a certified victim advocate through my Violence Intervention Partner (VIP) peer advocate team, as we are now accepting applicants for the 2016-17 school year through March 25. More information about VIP, including the online Qualtrics application, can be found on my website here:

<http://www.drake.edu/sexual-assault/programsandgroups/violenceinterventionpartnervippeeradvocacyteam/>

I have found that students in your disciplines in particular are drawn to my VIP program, for professional and personal reasons, so thought I would invite you to help me encourage them to apply for this prestigious opportunity.

Thank you for endorsing my program and let me know if you have further questions about VIP.

Warm regards,

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<https://www.facebook.com/drakeassaultresponse?ref=hl>, Twitter

## Cool technology links

Three Ring-student work-  
flow  
tool [www.threering.com](http://www.threering.com)  
Tedxtalks.ted.com/video/The  
-Myth-of-Average-Todd-  
Rose-a (The Myth of  
Average Ted Talk)

r: @duvprevention

## Teacher Ed placements

All practicum placements were completed yesterday, minutes before the student teaching committee met. Student teaching placements are starting today. Never a moment's rest for Amy Holderied-Smith!

## Scholarship

Have you ever heard of the  
Journal of University  
Teaching and Learning  
Practice?  
<http://ro.uow.edu.au/jutlp/about.html>

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