

Today is March 10, 2017

## Dates

March 24 is the last day to drop with a W without extenuating circumstances. REALLY IMPORTANT. Get students out NOW if they are going to want to get out. No dropping after March 24 unless there are big personal issues.

## Midterm grades

Midterm grades are due right after spring break. Instructors should enter them NOW. Midterm grades are required for all first year undergraduate students; they are recommended for all students, but especially for students who are not doing well. (It's okay to give midterm grades for some students in your class and not for others).

## Spotlight

Michael Couvillon was recognized with a service award for his work with the Midwest Symposium for Leadership in Behavioral Disorders (MSLBD) at their annual conference in Kansas City. Michael served six years on the board of the directors for the organization, which included 3 years as treasurer for the institute. MSLBD is managed by special education professors from across the country. The group provides resources for practitioners and hosts an annual conference for teachers who work with students with emotional and behavioral needs.

## From the Dean in Moline

Send your virtual support of the Lady Bulldogs as they continue to rock the basketball world at the Missouri Valley Tournament. Lizzie Wendell and Sara Rhine are SOE students and will greet 25 of our Quad Cities alumni who will be gathered at a sponsored brunch before the game on Saturday.

We made Drake/SOE history this week with the news that we will have THREE Faculty Senators. Faculty will elect a third member to join Jerrid Kruse and Bengu Erguner Tekinalp continuing their terms.

Whether near or far, working or vacationing, enjoy a change of pace as we begin Spring Break.

Dean Jan McMahill

## 10 trends in higher education

According to the Chronicle of Higher Education

- Information Literacy
- Activist Athletes
- Safety Net
- Cybersecurity, Rising
- Sanctuary Campus
- Cultural Divide
- Defending Diversity
- Reckoning with History
- Title IX Due Process
- Harassment Vigilance

# March 2017 School Leader Update

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