

## Academic Dean's Report - 11/02/2018

### University of Possibilities Event

- Thanks to everyone who helped out with the University of Possibilities event on October 24, especially to Christen Mayes for doing such a great job coordinating that event for us here. The kids seemed to really enjoy their day here.

### Research Club

- The Club held a Krispy Kreme fundraiser earlier in the week, on 10/29 and spilling over into 10/30. Thank you to everyone who helped with this, and who purchased/donated for the cause. The net profit was \$102.40 for the Club. Lessons learned from this first round of it will help to make it even more successful when the Club does another one at the end of November, beginning of December, which will include some pre-sales and some on-site sales.
- The Club's Lunch & Learn event on 10/29 was also successful, with a good number of students and faculty in attendance who seemed to be really engaged in the presentations. Thanks to everyone who helped to put that event together, especially the featured speakers, Lee Morris and Jennifer Emswiler.
- The Club's primary event for the semester that remains is the Research Colloquium on the afternoon of 11/28 in the Community Room, with presentations from students and faculty, so keep an eye out for more details on that.

### Progress Reports

- If you are teaching a Fall II class, the last day for students to drop without getting a W/F grade is 11/14, so be sure to send us names of any students at risk of failing the course prior to that date if possible so that we can try to reach out to them as well.

### Advising

- We're in the full swing of advising for the Spring semester, which officially kicked off after our return from Fall Break. So be sure to start reaching out to your advisees who haven't contacted you yet to set up an appointment. Keep an eye out for an updated digital version of the schedule with some of the more recent schedule changes; including the FREN 109/110 sequence now on the schedule as hybrid courses that will only meet in person on Mondays (4:00-6:45) and will have the rest of the course online. We also will likely need to cancel our local section of PSYC 420 and Tennis and Volleyball, as Dr. Buchanan will not be able to teach in the Spring semester.

### Textbooks

- Tanja Black will be sending out a reminder email early next week regarding Textbook Orders for the Spring. Feel free to go ahead to the website to enter that information before that though if you can ([https://sc.edu/about/system\\_and\\_campuses/union/internal/faculty\\_and\\_staff/faculty\\_textbook\\_fm/](https://sc.edu/about/system_and_campuses/union/internal/faculty_and_staff/faculty_textbook_fm/)) so that she can begin planning for students as they start going to her to order their Spring books.
- Note that if you are not going to use a book for a class, be sure to check the box to indicate that it is an optional material rather than a required material. If you are not going to be requiring any materials for the class (and/or any optional ones), let the bookstore know that as well so that they know what to tell students who go to them to ask about books.

### Reminder about Assessment

- The ARP, GSS, and GHS Carolina Core components will be undergoing collection of artifacts this semester from all classes that are being taught that meet those components.