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PROVOST BRIEFING

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Here are some of this week's top stories and a look ahead.

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June New Student Orientation

Advising will take place on Tuesday, June 20th and Thursday, June 22nd from 9am-12pm in the Multipurpose Room of the Sakowich Campus Center.

There will be a small training for faculty participants before each morning session.

If you have any questions or suggestions about June Orientation, please feel free to contact your school's representative on the Committee: Mary McHugh, Peter Ellard or Allison Pukala.

There will also be Family Cocktail Receptions on Monday, June 19th and Wednesday, June 21st from 5:30pm - 6:30pm in the Blue Line Club.

Reception for Kerry Johnson

June 22

3:30-5:00 p.m.

Provost Suite, Austin Hall

Come say goodbye to Kerry and wish her well in her new role as Associate Vice President for Undergraduate Studies at California State University at Long Beach.

Pivot, Pivot, Pivot

Pivot is here. The search for private and federal funding opportunities has just gotten easier! Merrimack has purchased a license agreement to Pivot, which is a comprehensive funding opportunity database. Pivot also enables users to create individual profiles based on research or program interests, opening up opportunity for collaboration with other Merrimack faculty or the broader international research community. Users will be able to run individualized funding searches and/or request the assistance of Corporate and Foundation Development (CFD) and the Office for Sponsored Programs (OSP). Sign-up now.

What are the Feds funding these days?

Are you curious to know more about federal funders and their research interests? Dr. Michael Lauer, NIH's Deputy Director for Extramural Research, walks us through using the Federal RePORTER. Read more here...

Going Green with Paperless Pay Stubs
You can join the effort in going green by opting out of receiving a paper pay stub. Some of the benefits of going paperless include:

- Increased security for sensitive data
- Increased real-time access to your payroll data
- Reduction in cost associated with the distribution of pay stubs
- Elimination of mail delays

Follow these quick and easy steps to get started. Once you join your pay stub is available to view 24 hours prior to each payday.

McQuade Librarian Named Ghana's Permanent Representative to UNESCO

Instruction/Liaison Librarian for Graduate & Professional Studies Elizabeth Sarkodie-Mensah has been named by the President of Ghana as this West African country's Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), headquartered in Paris, France. Elizabeth will leave for Ghana in July to make preparations prior to her posting.

Please stop by McQuade Library (2nd floor, Research Center) to say farewell and congratulate Elizabeth on her new position.

Other Events this Week

June 21st

Open Office Hours with the Provost 8:30 - 10:00 AM

Provost's Suite, Austin Hall

The Provost will have open office hours for faculty to drop in every Wednesday from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM. Whether you have a specific topic or just want to say "hello," all faculty are welcome to visit.

June 23rd (and every Friday)

Open Office Hours with Melissa Siegel 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Provost's Suite, Austin Hall

Melissa Siegel, Director of Sponsored Programs, will hold hours in the Office of the Provost every Friday from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM. This is your opportunity to stop by with any and all questions about sponsored activities, programs, or grants. Please e-mail siegelm@merrimack.edu to set up an appointment or just plan on swinging by to say "hello." Melissa is excited to learn more about you and your teaching, scholarship and research interests.

