



PROVOST BRIEFING

August 7, 2017

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

- Elizabeth Otto Joins the Office of the Provost Team
- Open Office Hours with the Provost Cancelled this Week
- CETL and Academic Technology: Blackboard Basics
- Rogers Center Free Summer Fun Series Presents an evening of Broadway Music, August 9
- New Adjunct Faculty Orientation: August 28
- New Full-Time Faculty Orientation: August 30 and August 31

Elizabeth Otto Joins the Office of the Provost Team

We are happy to welcome Elizabeth Otto to the Office of the Provost as its new Director. Elizabeth has been part of the Merrimack Community since 1997 when she assisted the Microscale Chemistry Center. After five years at the Microscale Center, she served as Administrative Assistant in the Department of Sociology and

Criminology, followed by her most recent appointment in the Office of the Dean of Liberal Arts. While we are certain many of you have had the opportunity to get to know Liz throughout her years of service on campus, we look forward to your re-acquaintance in her new role.

Please stop by and say hello!

Open Office Hours with the Provost Cancelled this Week

There will be no office hours with the Provost this Wednesday, August 9. Office Hours will return the following week on Wednesday, August 16.

Other Events this Week

August 9th

Rogers Center Free Summer Fun Series Presents an evening of Broadway Music 7:00 pm

Rogers Center Patio

The Rogers Center Free Summer Fun Series continues with an evening of Broadway Music performed by alumni, faculty, and students from the Department of Visual and Performing Arts Theater Program. Bring your lawn chairs, a bite to snack on, and enjoy a free evening of music under the stars!

Future Events

New Adjunct Faculty Orientation

Wednesday, August 28, 4:00- 7:00 pm
Merrimack Club Dining Room
*Please contact the CETL with the names of incoming adjunct faculty at nielsenk@merrimack.edu

New Full-Time Faculty Orientation

Wednesday, August 30 and Thursday, August 31

Opening of the 2017-18 Academic Year

Tuesday, September 5, 2017 Mass of the Holy Spirit

4:15 PM

Collegiate Church of Christ the Teacher

Community Barbeque Immediately following Mass of the Holy Spirit Sparky's and tent

Thursday, September 7, 2017
Classes are dismissed at 3:30 PM

Academic Convocation 4:00 PM

Hamel Gym, Merrimack Athletics Complex

Faculty line up is at 3:30 pm, first floor of McQuade Library. Please arrive dressed in regalia, (no tams).

<u>Tuesday, September 12, 2017</u> Second Tuesday First Year Advising Meetings 4:00 PM

The primary goal is to give first-year students an opportunity to meet their primary advisor earlier than they do now. The Academic Success Center will centrally organize this endeavor. This includes the marketing, securing spaces, communicating with faculty, students, and Orientation staff. More information can be found on the Academic Success Center **webpage**.

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