

Fall 2017 Meeting of the Directors of Graduate Studies

Deans Report (Karen J. Colley)

- The Dean welcomed the attendees and members of the Graduate College introduced themselves.
- The Dean reported that Benn Williams is the Graduate College's new Fellowship Coordinator, replacing Marie Khan who relocated to New York.
- The Dean announced that the 10th Anniversary of the Image of Research is this year. The reception is Tuesday, October 24, 4-6pm in Gallery 400, 400 S Peoria St. All are invited. The ceremony will begin approximately at 4:10. Kevin Monahan is overseeing the award. <http://grad.uic.edu/image-research-exhibit>.
- There will be a Fellowship Reception in late January or early February. Invitations will be sent to the listserv.
- The Dean reminded everyone about three courses offered by the Graduate College that have been well received by graduate students and benefit them with their teaching and having them on their cv.
 - GC 593 Foundations in College Teaching (offered every Fall and Spring term) – this is the course students should take if they are only going to take one of the courses. <http://grad.uic.edu/foundations-college-teaching-course-gc-593>
 - GC 594 Practicum in College Teaching (offered in Spring terms) <http://grad.uic.edu/practicum-college-teaching-course-gc-594>
 - GC 592 Seminar in College Teaching (offered in Fall terms) <http://grad.uic.edu/seminar-college-teaching-course-gc-592>
 - These three courses comprise the certificate, Foundations of College Instruction - <http://grad.uic.edu/certificate-foundations-college-instruction>
- The Graduate College also offers a course, GC 512, Written Communication and Presentation Skills, <https://grad.uic.edu/written-communication-and-presentation-skills>.
 - The course provides students with the process and skills to write according to the conventions of academic English and to communicate with specialist and nonspecialist audiences. GC 512 is currently designed for doctoral students who have completed at least 32 credit hours in their PhD program. Master's degree students are NOT eligible. As of Summer 2017, STEM and non-STEM sections are offered.
 - The student's Director of Graduate Studies (DGS) must approve and recommend registration to the Graduate College. The Graduate College will review the recommendations and approve based upon space and need. Contact Benn Williams (bwilli7@uic.edu) with any questions. Enrollment for each section is capped at 18.
 - The instructor of the course, Vincent Adiutori, is next on the agenda, and describes the course.