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The latest in Titan Success, making Tommy proud.

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DATES TO REMEMBER



FEBRUARY 3: FACULTY COLLOQUIUM: DR. EDGAR LEHR

FEBRUARY 13: ASD, CD, AND CPD GRANTS DUE (FINAL REVIEW PERIOD)

FEBRUARY 17: DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF REQUESTS TO CC FOR FACULTY ACTION IN THE CURRENT ACADEMIC YEAR.

FEBRUARY 24, 4PM: MIDSEMESTER GRADES DUE

Dr. Nadeau and the Power of Food

Byron S. Tucci Professor of Spanish, Dr. Carolyn Nadeau has created the first presentation on a new scholarly project. She writes, "This year, while on sabbatical, I am one of two Biruté Cipliauskaitė fellows at the Institute for Research in the Humanities (IRH) at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. In November, I shared with other IRH fellows my work to date as I begin the book-length project, "Artistic Visions of the Transatlantic Exchange." In this project I analyze how poets, playwrights, painters, and storytellers represented New World foodstuffs and used the power of their poetic voice to create food fantasies. I am also investigating what role these artists played in the transformation of New World foodstuffs, like the tomato, pepper, potato, and chocolate, to name the most salient, into defining ingredients of Spanish cuisine today" (2022). She presented in November of 2022 at The University of Wisconsin-Madison.



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Professor Alvey Publishing Discoveries

Assistant Professor of Biology, Dr. Rick Alvey has produced a publication in *The Microbiology Resource Announcements*, Vol. 11, Issue 12. He states, "This publication highlights our recent deposition of the genomes of 24 newly discovered *Rhodobacter capsulatus* bacteriophages into the GenBank DNA sequence database. The majority of the bacteriophages reported were discovered by students taking part in the bacteriophage discovery course here at IWU. The student authors on this publication include summer researchers who discovered additional bacteriophages and prepared the final drafts of these genomes for deposition. This work nearly doubles the number of sequenced *R. capsulatus* genomes in the database and establishes a new cluster not reported previously" (2022).



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The Pedagogy Hotspot

The Study of Teacherpreneurship

By: Dr. Tara Gerstner and Dr. Pennie Gray

Dr. Tara Gerstner and Dr. Pennie Gray write, "A relatively new interdisciplinary field of study is emerging which examines the intersection between K-12 education and the entrepreneurial mindset. While this new field of study--sometimes referred to as teacherpreneurship--takes a variety of forms, we explored the ways in which teachers at different stages of their careers adopt an entrepreneurial mindset (EM) and the effects of an EM on their careers. As defined by Berry, Byrd, and Wieder (2013), teacherpreneurs are K-12 educators who, while continuing to teach, simultaneously "incubate big pedagogical and policy ideas and execute them in the best interests of both their students and their teaching colleagues" (p. 16). This project will help inform teacher educators on ways in which to adjust their curriculum to encourage teaching the entrepreneurial mindset as we have found a statistically significant correlation between entrepreneurial mindset and how it affects teachers' job satisfaction" (2023). Go to their Faculty Colloquium series event on March 3rd for more info!

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