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The 2015 James D. Dougan Award for Contributions to Faculty Governance

The 2015 James D. Dougan Award was presented to Professor of English Kathleen O'Gorman at the faculty meeting on April 6, 2015.

Congratulations, Kathie!

Previous award recipients are

2014: Joerg Tiede, Professor of Computer Science

2013: Alison Sainsbury, Associate Professor of English

2012: Larry Stout, Professor of Mathematics

2011: Mike Young, Professor of History

The complete text of Dr. O'Gorman's award citation is available at http://digitalcommons.iwu.edu/iwuaaup_win/5. For details on the award criteria, see http://digitalcommons.iwu.edu/iwuaaup_act/9/.

2015-2017 IWU AAUP Chapter Executive Committee

The next Executive Committee's term begins in the fall. This term marks a new development in our Chapter history. We now have a past-president position on the committee as a result of revisions to our Constitution (reported on in the annual Chapter Update at http://digitalcommons.iwu.edu/iwuaaup_act/).

Please join us in thanking them for their service!

Joerg Tiede, President

Brian Brennan, Vice President

Mark Criley, Secretary-Treasurer

Becky Roesner, Past President

Announcements:



National AAUP opportunities

The annual AAUP conference takes place in Washington, DC on June 11-13. This year marks the Centennial so it's sure to be memorable! If you are interested in serving as Chapter Delegate to carry our proxy vote, contact Meg Miner (mminer@iwu.edu). Our credential letter is due on May 19th. The Chapter will reimburse the delegate for conference registration costs. Registration and program details are at <http://www.aaup.org/event/2015-aaup-annual-conference>.

The AAUP Summer Institute takes place on July 23-26 in Denver this year. The Institute is set up in a workshop and seminar format with participants working together on governance and academic freedom issues. Details are available at <http://www.aaup.org/event/2015-summer-institute>.

Join the AAUP:
<http://www.aaup.org>

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How to become a member

In 2014, our chapter affirmed a member's question about local vs. national dues. Our bylaws say dues to the national AAUP and the local chapter are required in order to be a voting member. That means we must restrict non-members from voting on issues like Chapter Resolutions.

HOWEVER, as we feel it is important to be inclusive of faculty who wish to be part of conversations occurring in the Chapter, we encourage even those who cannot or do not wish to pay the national dues to participate in the IWU chapter. We hope you will attend our meetings and/or events. We need your voices to keep faculty governance strong at IWU!

Local dues payments are at the following levels: Assistant Professors: \$15, Associate Professors: \$20, Professors: \$25. Make checks payable to IWU AAUP and send to Meg Miner, Ames 401D.

National membership may be paid online (through lump sum or monthly credit card payments) at <http://aaup.org/membership/join>. You may also use IWU faculty travel funds for up to two professional memberships annually. See p. 11 of the Faculty Development Handbook (<https://www.iwu.edu/melloncenter/2014-15-fdchandbook-final.pdf>) or contact Julie Lappin in the Mellon Center for details.

Not sure what value there is in making a national AAUP investment? Start at <http://aaup.org/membership/benefits> and then click through to the programs, issues publications and news pages.

Locally, your Chapter dues help us maintain a strong and active presence on campus! We use these funds to

- * print AAUP Newsletters for all IWU faculty;
- * send a delegate to the annual national AAUP conference; and
- * provide copies of AAUP's *Policy Documents and Reports* (aka the Redbook) to new members of our Chapter, chairs of key elected committees, the Administration and the Board of Trustees.