

School of Public Policy Newsletter

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The School of Public Policy faculty meeting will be this **Friday, March 11, 2011**, will be in the **Memorial Union, room 109 B, Schille Room**.

- **Time:** 3pm – 5pm
- **Questions** regarding details can be sent to [Joan Lease by clicking here](#).
- **Further details** below.



Political Science

- **The Political Science department** sent three teams of students to the West Coast Model European Union hosted by the University of Washington's European Union Center of Excellence, February 18-19, 2011 in Seattle. The teams represented Greece, Malta, and Slovakia.



In the photo (left-to-right): Caleb Lewis, Jessica Kim, Courtney Allen, the Hungarian Ambassador to the U.S., Marilyn Tushar, Amber Gomes, and Jacob Vandever.

SPP Meeting

Agenda:

1. Welcome and announcements
2. Hiring update and planning
3. Category I Proposal update
4. Check in – what's working, what's not
5. P&T Policy – revisited
6. Mini-grant competition
7. Other

General



- **Above. Monica and Jack** in a snapshot of the "Dance your Policy Party" that took place on February 25, 2011
- **Please start** thinking about your stellar seniors as awards season is starting. Attached below is a notice about nominating CLA Outstanding Seniors. As soon as the lists of qualifying students are in, Denise will pass them along to the programs.

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Seniors_First Call.pdf
Click on the attachment.

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- Economics is sponsoring a seminar Wednesday, March 16 at 3:30 pm, Kelley Engineering Room 1003. Kevin Thom, New York University, presents “Migration Experience and Earnings in the Mexican Market”. For more information, please visit our website at <http://oregonstate.edu/dept/econ/>

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Welcome back from a well-deserved spring break. I can't believe we're ready to start the spring term of our first year as a School. I want to thank you all again for your patience and commitment to making a strong School of Public Policy. We have more work to do spring term – here is a partial list:

1. Finalize the P&T guidelines. I've sent the latest revised version to the Program Liaisons. They'll get your comments, we'll make any changes that need to be made, and when we're ready, we'll "vote" on the guidelines as the way we're going to handle P&T reviews in the School. This should meet the university P&T requirements.
2. I need to meet with everyone who still doesn't have an up-to-date Position Description. Those of you who don't, give me an e-mail and we'll find a time to get together (the sooner the better).
3. We need to create an annual review policy – I'll ask the Advisory Council for their advice at our first meeting of the term. If you have any suggestions about annual reviews, please let your liaison know as soon as possible.
4. I've asked Lisa Duke to explore software that might help us reduce the trouble of scheduling. I'm hoping she finds something that will allow us to develop coordinated programs – especially for the graduate level courses.
5. I've asked Brent to draft up a description of how Graduate Students are assigned to GTAs or GRAs. We'll circulate that as soon as possible for your review and questions.
6. I'm meeting with the Assistant Professors early in the term to start talking about a mentoring program – one that will help both them and our new hires succeed. If anyone has any ideas, please let an Assistant Professor or liaison in your program know. We'll be getting back to you soon with ideas and requests for help in formulating a mentoring program.

Let me know if you have any questions or concerns, or would like to add any tasks to this priority list. Denise

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Michael Grossman will be presenting a seminar on Thursday, March 31, 2:00 pm, Kelley Engineering Center 1003. For more information, please see our website at <http://oregonstate.edu/dept/econ/seminars>