

## Important Dates

### Friday, November 28 HR Candidate

2:00 p.m. Presentation  
4:15 p.m. Reception

### Friday, November 28 Faculty Christmas Party

Hotel Saskatchewan  
6 pm Cocktails; 7 pm Dinner  
Tickets \$25 from Alyce Garratt

### Saturday, November 29

EMBA End-of-Semester  
Celebration (Cohort #2)  
5:00-6:30 p.m.

### Thursday, December 4 Finance Candidate

2:30 p.m. Presentation  
4:15 p.m. Reception

### Friday, December 5 International Business Candidate

1:30 Presentation  
4:15 p.m. Reception

### Saturday, December 6 Teaching Workshop

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. in ED-619

### Saturday, December 6

EMBA End-of-Semester  
Celebration (Cohort #3)  
5:00-6:30 p.m.

### Friday, December 12

Faculty Council Meeting  
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in ED-514

## Christmas Party – November 28

This week's major event is our annual Christmas Party, being held in the Blue Room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Hotel Saskatchewan on Friday, November 28. Cocktails are at 6:00 p.m. (cash bar), followed by dinner with complimentary wine at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are available for \$25 from Alyce Garratt, and all those associated with the Faculty of Business Administration are invited to attend (including faculty and staff, sessional lecturers, professors emeritus, and retired faculty and staff members).

Music will be provided by a string quartet, there will be an assortment of door prizes, and Jo-Ann Bance has organized a skill-testing Christmas quiz. Be sure to join us for this fun annual event!

## Teaching Workshop – December 6

The Agenda for the Teaching Workshop on Saturday, December 6 in ED-619 is as follows:

### 9:00 Teaching Handbook (ED 514)

*Anne Lavack (Dean)*

*Glenys Sylvestre (Associate Dean, Undergraduate)*

We have been working on a Teaching Handbook, which will be provided to you at the session. The Handbook includes ideas for course preparation, guidance around student evaluation, as well as information around logistical items such as mail, photocopying, and textbook orders!

### 10:15 Coffee break

### 10:30 Library Resources (ED 531)

*Bill Sgrazutti, Liaison Librarian*

Bill will lead us through the resources available to the Business Faculty that will help us prepare and deliver our courses.

### 12:00 Lunch Break (lunch will be served)

### 1:00 UR Courses Training (ED 548)

*Michelle van Ginnekin, Technology Learning Centre*

UR Courses is based on Moodle, a course management system to help educators create effective on-line learning communities. Topics of study include navigation, course elements, uploading files, and adding resources and activities. The formal course will take approximately two hours, and Michelle will be available to answer specific questions until 3:30 p.m.

Full-time faculty members as well as Sessional Lecturers are welcome to join all or part of the workshop. Please RSVP to Glenys Sylvestre.

## Teaching Assistants for Winter 2009

If you will need a Teaching Assistant for any Winter 2009 courses, please advise **Glenys Sylvestre**. Priority will be given to tenure-track professors and to those whose courses require intensive grading resources.

## In the News...

- **Alan Levy** was quoted in the *Regina Leader-Post* on Wednesday, November 19, discussing the application of Essential Services legislation to the health care sector ("Province's approach essentially flawed," p. B6).
- **Sylvain Charlebois** was mentioned in the *Regina Leader-Post* on Friday, November 21 regarding a study he prepared for the C.D. Howe Institute on the Canadian Wheat Board ("CWB delivers poor results for farmers").

## Winter 2009 Course Outlines

It's not too early to start preparing your Winter 2009 course outline! We post these on our website to assist students who are making course choices.

When your course outline is ready, please submit it in an electronic format to **Rhoda Ferner** for graduate courses or **Raelynn Moorhead** for undergraduate courses.

## Editorial Board

**Bob Anderson** has been invited to become a member of the Editorial Board for the *Social Responsibility Journal*.

## Area Group Meetings in January

**Glenys Sylvestre** will be initiating a series of area group meetings in January, to start the process of scheduling courses for Spring/Summer 2009 and Fall 2009. Students begin registration into these semesters as early as March 2009, so it's essential we begin this process early.

Please give some thought to your teaching preferences in terms of courses and semesters, and come prepared to discuss this with your colleagues at your area group meetings. Faculty members who teach in more than one area may be asked to attend more than one area group meeting.

## XMUT China – 2 Week Courses

We are looking for 1 or 2 volunteers to teach a compressed two-week course at Xiamen University of Technology (XMUT) in China in Fall 2009, Winter 2009, or Spring 2010.

These 2-week courses in China need to be scheduled either during a semester you are not otherwise teaching, or during the weeks before/after each semester when you are not engaged in teaching at U of R.

If you are interested in this opportunity, please let **Anne Lavack** know, including an indication of which of our 200-level courses you would be willing to teach and whether you would be willing to teach this as a paid overload course. You can also discuss with Anne how you would envision compressing the course into a 2-week format while still ensuring 39 in-class hours.

## Recent Conference Presentations

- **Kim, Youngsoo** (with Kee Chung), "Volatility, Market Structure, and the Bid-Ask Spread," *Northern Finance Association Conference*, Banff, AB, September 4-7, 2008.
- **Meis Mason, Aldene** (with Leo Paul Dana and **Robert B. Anderson**), "Innovation and Adaptation in Traditional Inuit Small Business," *16<sup>th</sup> Inuit Studies Conference*, Winnipeg, MB, October 23-25, 2008.
- **Lavack, Anne M.**, "Tobacco Product Availability and Marketing Theory," *Tobacco Control for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Conference*, Ontario Tobacco Research Unit, Toronto, ON, November 10-11, 2008.

## Textbook Reviews

- **Maggie Austring**, one of our Sessional Lecturers, recently served as a reviewer for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of a McGraw Hill textbook entitled *International Marketing*.

## Boards & Councils

- **Anne Lavack** was appointed as Vice-Chair of the Board of the Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse. She is beginning her seventh year on the board of this national organization, having spent the first 3 years as an at-large member and the last 3 years as Treasurer and member of the Executive committee.