September 24, 2010

To: Department Chairs and Program Directors

From: Carl Strikwerda, Dean

Subj: Distinguished Associate Professorships Nominations

There are several College-wide Distinguished Associate Professorships whose terms expire at the conclusion of the 2010-11 academic year. These professorships receive a $5,000 salary supplement and a $3,000 research fund annually. In addition, we will have two Margaret Hamilton Professorships and three Chairs for Teaching Excellence. These professorships receive a $5,000 salary supplement and a $2,000 research fund annually.

Please submit your nominations to the Distinguished Associate Professorships Nominating Committee, care of this office, by 5:00 PM, Monday, November 1, 2010. I will ask a three-person faculty nominating committee to forward faculty nominees to me. The Provost will review our nominations and make his recommendation to the Board of Visitors. Please indicate if the nominee is to be considered for a Distinguished Associate Professorship, Margaret Hamilton Professorship, and/or Chair of Teaching Excellence, for all three or two of these categories. Nominations for Chairs of Teaching Excellence must emphasize teaching.

There are numerous tenured Associate Professors in Arts and Sciences who have strong research and teaching records. It is often difficult to reward the most promising of these colleagues appropriately. These are often the colleagues who are the most likely to be recruited by other institutions. Awarding Distinguished Associate Professorships would encourage these colleagues to continue to make successful careers here at the College.

Enclosed are the nomination criteria for the Distinguished Associate Professorship, the Margaret Hamilton Professorship, and the Chairs for Teaching Excellence.

Reminder: Plumeri Fellow nominees are due in the Dean’s office Monday, October 25.

c: Teresa Longo
   Sue Peterson
   Laurie Sanderson
   Joel Schwartz
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