December Council Meeting

Thursday, December 5
2:10 - 4:00 p.m.
Gallery Room, Memorial Union

All Professional and Scientific employees are welcome to attend general council meetings.

Registration for P&S Council Professional Development Conference opens December 5

Registration for the 2020 Professional and Scientific Council Professional Development Conference will begin Thursday, December 5. This year's conference, "Cultivate Your Adventure: Thriving Together," will be held February 13, 2020, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., at the Scheman Building. Our goal is that you will experience growth, encouragement, and positive social interactions with your colleagues, as well as gain skills and knowledge you can use as you continue your adventure at Iowa State University.

The early registration rate will be $100 and will be open through December 20. The regular registration rate will be $120 and will be open December 21 - January 31. Visit the conference web page for additional information.

Make sure you have February 13 marked on your calendar as a day you intend to devote to your personal and professional development!

Cultivate Your Adventure
Thriving Together
2020 Professional Development Conference

Professional and Scientific Council Seminar Series December event: Creating Effective Presentations

We've all attended a dud presentation. So, how do you avoid being that presenter?

Join us December 10 from 2-3 p.m. in the Pioneer Room of the Memorial Union. Lesya Hassall, Program Coordinator, Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching, and Megan Landolt, Assistant to the President for Communications, will discuss how to blend communication principles with instructional design strategies to create effective and engaging presentations.

If you are unable to join us in person, the session will be livestreamed and can be viewed online using guest access. If you are unable to join us December 10 the recorded session will be posted in Learn@ISU approximately one week after the live session.
January Seminar Series event: Negotiating for Success - Strategies, Tools, and Skills

Negotiation and conflict resolution don't have to be avoided!

Join us January 14 from 2-3 p.m. in the Pioneer Room of the Memorial Union where Ryan Bhattacharyya, Professor of Practice and Espeland International Fellow, Ivy College of Business will be discussing how we can effectively maximize the strengths we already have to advocate more persuasively for our position(s) in a collaborative, yet effective way.

If you are unable to join us in person, the session will be livestreamed and can be viewed online using guest access. If you are unable to join us January 14 the recorded session will be posted in Learn@ISU approximately one week after the live session.

Additional information on council Seminar Series events can be found on the Professional and Scientific Council website.

Highlighting ISU Staff: Brett Willenborg

This month we recognize Brett Willenborg, finance specialist, Fir ISD team.

Brett was nominated by Jessica Bell, who said: "Brett is a lifesaver! I often find myself needing assistance with organizing schedules and meetings and he has always saved the day. I know when I need help he will jump in and do what he can and lead me in the right direction. His willingness to take on tasks helps me stay focused on other things, as I know once he says he'll do something I don't have to worry about it any longer. Thanks, Brett!"

Congratulations, Brett, and thank you for all you do!

You can nominate a fellow Professional and Scientific employee (or team of employees) for Highlighting ISU Staff! Submit your nominations using the Highlighting ISU Staff form to tell us about a P&S employee or team doing great work in your area. The form will ask you to tell us about who you are highlighting and why in 100 words or less, and to include a picture of the person, team, or output for which they are being highlighted.

One submission will be regularly included in the newsletter as determined by the P&S Council Awards Committee. Other submissions will be featured on social media with the tag #highlightingISUstaff, on the P&S Council web page Highlighting ISU Staff, and/or included in future newsletters.

Amy Ward is the 2019-20 Professional and Scientific Council President.

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Your Professional and Scientific Council representatives are here for you. Their names and contact information can be found here.