

Chemical Engineering Faculty Meeting- Open session

March 26, 2018 | 2:30 - 3:30 pm | Benson Hall room 109, 2017 | 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Attendance

Meeting start: 2:30 | Adjourn: 3:30

Faculty Present (blank=absent)

Department Chair, Francois Baneyx - Present

Stu Adler	James Carothers	P	Brad Holt	P	Elizabeth Nance	P	Buddy Ratner	
Graham Allan	P	David Castner	Samson Jenekhe	Rene Overney	P	Daniel Schwartz	P	
David Beck	P	Cole DeForest	P	Shaoyi Jiang	P	James Pfaendtner	Eric Stuve	P
John Berg	P	Hugh Hillhouse	P	Andy Kim	P	Jonathan Posner	Venkat Subramanian	P
	Vincent Holmberg	P	Mary Lidstrom	Lilo Pozzo	P	Qiuming Yu	P	

Others Present

Stephanie Ashby	Allison Sherrill	Debbie Carnes		Kailin Colleary	Victor Hu
Nicole Minkoff	Dave Drischell	Katie Gallagher – safe campus			Paige Bennett

Announcements and new Business

Baneyx

- 4/10 - Julia Ortony visit, seminar and research talk
- Andrea Joseph (GRA, Nance Lab) wins NIH NRSA F31 award

Nance – Discovery Days - Thursday, April 19 and Friday, April 20, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Minkoff – Faculty please send Awards and Honors (yours and students) for Awards Day Program to Nicole, also send Sci and Eng. as Art competition entries by 4/16

Ashby – Save the Date – upcoming events

4/27 – Awards Day, Faculty meetings with Moulton Honoree Steven C. George

5/17 – Advisory Board Dinner, Portage Bay Café 5-8:30 (RSVP by May 1)

5/21 – Finlayson Lecture (4-5pm) and Reception (3:30-4pm) PAA A118

5/22 – Finlayson Talk & Luncheon, Faculty meetings with Robert Armstrong

5/30 – Inaugural Chair's Distinguished Lecturer event – Sang Yup Lee, KAIST

Safe Campus Violence Prevention in the Workplace Presentation – Katie Gallagher, Safe Campus

Katie Gallagher, violence prevention response specialist visited the department and provided information and resources to faculty on risk assessment and prevention. The violence prevention response specialist is the first contact for concerns and risk assessment, and can be reached at **206-685-7233, 24/7**.

The number above is available 24/7 for anyone anywhere on all UW campuses. You may call anonymously to report or talk about concerning behavior.

Admissions Update – Holt

Prof. Holt, Undergraduate Committee Chair provided statistics on this year's undergrad admissions. He noted that undergraduate admissions this year are about the same as last year, with many direct from high school. He also noted that ChemE lost four students to other Engineering schools (BioE and EE). This year, ChemE 310 will have 74 students. The target number for BS degrees awarded in 2018-2019 is 63.

ChemE US News Graduate Program Rankings 2018 – Baneyx

Chair Baneyx reviewed the 2019 US News ChemE Graduate program rankings. UW ChemE was ranked # 24 in the US for 2019, with a score of 3.3. He noted that a difference in score of +/- .1 could mean a ranking of 21 vs. 26. Scores are based on peer ratings (other ChemE chairs). How they rate us depends on how familiar they are without work and as chairs change, opinions go with them. 20 years ago, UW ChemE was in the top 20. There is more competition now.

To improve rankings, Chair Baneyx suggested the following: Invite chairs to seminars, increase the number of PhDs graduating, and the number of students from UW ChemE that go into academia. AIChE presence matters – more talks, conference attendance, etc.

A closed session for faculty only followed the above topics, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:30