

Monday Matters: New Staff in the Dean's Office and AI in Teaching

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AI Basics Flyer.pdf; Striking the Balance.pdf;

Dear Colleagues:

I am very pleased to announce that Danielle Achterfeld has accepted our offer to take the College of Sciences Director of Finance position. This is the position that Rick Waters retired from in June. Many of you know Danielle because she has worked in the Biology department for several years.

Jingdong Mao has agreed to serve as Interim Associate Dean for Research for the next year. He will be taking over from Rodger Harvey, who is spending the year as Interim Chair of Ocean & Earth Sciences. We are very fortunate that Jingdong is willing to take on this new role. One goal for the coming year is to bring faculty together around interdisciplinary research in environmental sciences. Please contact Jingdong if you have suggestions for this or other projects.

AI Integration:

Please see the attached flyer advertising David Courson's first seminar on *AI Basics for Instructors and TAs*, Sept. 5 at 11 am. Please bring your laptops and questions. If you are interested in this topic but cannot attend at that time, please contact David. His plan is to offer this Basics Seminar as well as two special topics or intermediate level seminars each month.

Please also note the upcoming Symposium on September 8: *Striking the Balance: AI Automation and Human Interaction in Teaching and Learning*, which will be held in the Chartway Arena's Big Blue Room from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. This symposium has been announced by the President's office. Please see the attached flyer.

I hope your semester gets off to a great start.

Best Regards,

Gail

Upcoming Events and Deadlines:

- Sept 1: nominations for University Professor and Distinguished Teacher due to the chair
- Sept 5: *AI Basics for Instructors and TAs*, David Courson; 11 am CHEM 1002
- Sept 8: *Striking the Balance, AI Automation and Human Interaction in Teaching and Learning*; Chartway Arena 10 – 12; register for this event.
- Science Fridays: 4 – 6 pm
 - September 22, October 20, November 17
- Oct. 7: [Reign in Chemistry & Science Day](#) – outreach event for grades 3-12 kids

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