In the Academy Spring 2015



Together Toward Excellence

Faculty Dialogue Groups: These faculty groups are formed based on response and usually meet 3 times during the semester. Confirm your participation with Suzanne (5378) so the books can be ordered.

Desiring the Kingdom: Worship, Worldview and Cultural Formation; James A.K. Smith

Collected Sermons of Dietrich Bonhoeffer; Isabel Best (selected sermons)

A More Beautiful Question: The Power of Inquiry to Spark Breakthrough Ideas; Warren Berger

Christianity in the Academy one-day conference **Friday, March 13**th at the Olford Center. This year's theme is: *Living in the Shadow of the First World War*. For more information contact Hal Poe.

Scholar in Residence Lectures: March 17th - **March 23**rd: James K. A. Smith, professor of philosophy at Calvin College where he holds the Gary & Henrietta Byker Chair in Applied Reformed Theology & Worldview will deliver four lectures on *Embodying the Kingdom: Reforming Public Theology*.

Ryan Center Bible Conference: March 20th -21st *But As For You, Regaining our Confidence in God's Word;* Plenary speaker: Sandy Wilson, Senior minister, Second Presbyterian Church, Memphis.

Newell Innovative Teaching Award: Faculty members self-submit proposals of innovation that introduce something new and creative in the classroom and are relatively comprehensive in scope. The innovation must have involved changes in the way a subject (not necessarily an entire course) is taught. Classroom innovations must have occurred in the academic year the proposal is submitted.

Application Deadline: April 10, 2015 (For more details about the award go to the Faculty Development web page at http://www.uu.edu/centers/faculty/programs/innovative/)

Spring 2015 Pew Luncheon: 2013-14 Pew Grant Recipients: **Taylor Worley**, *The Gift of Death: Christian Sacramental Imagery in the Art of Felix Gonzalez-Torres*; **Richard Addo**, *Development of Nano-sized Particles Containing Anti-oxidant for the Treatment of Age Related Macular Degeneration*; and **Georg Pingen**, *Analysis of Moderate Knudsen Number Flows Using Finite Element Methods and the Hydrodynamic Boltzmann Equation*

Date: Monday, April 13 at 12:00 noon

Location: Grant Center

Union University Scholarship Symposium. The Research Program sponsors an annual university-wide symposium for the purpose of disseminating scholarship produced by the Union community. Presentations are open to undergraduate and graduate students who have completed a collaborative, innovative scholarly project during the current academic year. For more information go to http://www.uu.edu/events/uuss/

Date: Tuesday, April 28; 12:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Abstract Submission Deadline: Friday, March 27

Course Design Institute: This is an opportunity to provide twelve faculty with the tools, time and space to design or (re)design a course based on an overall course goal and student learning objectives and thereby maximizing student learning.

Dates: Tuesday, May19th - Friday, May 22nd; 9:00a.m. -12:00 noon

Location: Luther Hall