



Friday at the Center: January 28, 2005

Is There A Rhodes Scholar in Your Class?

One of the oldest and most prestigious international fellowships, the Rhodes Scholarship provides full support for two years of study in any field at Oxford University. Rhodes Scholars promise to be of effective service to the world in the decades ahead. Do you have a potential Rhodes Scholar candidate in one of your classes? Candidates should have literary and scholastic attainments; a fondness for and success in sports; truth, courage, devotion to duty, sympathy for and protection of the weak, kindness, unselfishness, and fellowship; and moral force of character and instincts to lead, and to take an interest in one's fellow beings.

SPU has never produced a Rhodes Scholar, and it has been several years since we even nominated someone to be considered. If you know of an outstanding sophomore or junior student who might be a strong candidate, please send me his or her name. The Center would like to begin working to groom candidates from our student body. A new national Rhodes selection process begins this year, with selections occurring by districts rather than by states. This means that the size of applicant pools from which candidates will be chosen for interview will be roughly equal, so the odds of selection to interview will no longer vary, as in the past. All applications must be done through the undergraduate institution. For more information about the Rhodes Scholarship, see www.rhodesscholar.org.

February Faculty Workshops—mark your calendar!

- Senior Mentor Training, Thursday, Feb. 3, 1-2 p.m., Library Seminar Room
- "Using On-Line Evaluation Forms to Improve my Teaching," a panel discussion with Sharon Young and Ruth Ediger, Thursday, Feb. 10, 2-3 p.m., OMH 109
- "Multicultural Approaches in the Classroom," an interdisciplinary discussion with Sharon Hartnett, Bill Rowley, and Bill Purcell, Thursday, Feb. 24, 12-1 p.m., Weter 201.

Upcoming Due Dates

- SPU Faculty Research Grant and Senior Faculty Grant applications are due by 5 p.m. on **Feb. 1**.
- Calvin College Summer Seminars for Faculty include: "Faith in the Classroom: Christian Perspectives on Teaching and Learning," "Musical Theology," "Scripture Memorization," "Christian Mission and Global Enterprise," and "How to Teach Worship in Congregations and Schools. Applications are due on **Feb. 4**. See www.calvin.edu/scs.
- NOTE EXTENSION: Lilly SERVE Faculty Grant in Vocation applications are due by 5 p.m. on **Feb. 15**.

Happy teaching!

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