

Friday @ the Center: November 16, 2007

Faculty Book Circle: *The Orthodox Way*

In anticipation of the campus visit of another major contemporary theologian, Metropolitan Kallistos Ware, the CSFD and the School of Theology are sponsoring a Faculty Book Circle on Ware's *The Orthodox Way*, a core text used in UFDN 3100 Christian Theology. The former Spalding Lecturer of Eastern Orthodox Studies at Oxford University, Metropolitan Kallistos will deliver the 2008 Palmer Lectures at SPU on March 4-5. This faculty book circle, which will meet on Jan. 15, 22, and 29, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., will be led by Professor Daniel Castelo from the SOT. To enroll and receive a free copy of the book to read over Christmas break, please contact Anna Dufault (adufault@spu.edu).

Course Evaluation Time!

All SPU course evaluations are administered through our online Banner system. You should recently have received notification of which of your courses are scheduled to be evaluated. Note that you have until midnight on Nov. 25 to add your own personalized questions to the evaluation form, to switch from the default form to another (classroom to lab, for example), or to opt out of the evaluation process. On Monday, Nov. 26, students will receive an email prompting them to begin their course evaluations. They will then have until Sunday, Dec. 9 at 11:59pm to complete the evaluations. For information on ways to improve your response rates, dealing with team taught courses, lecture/lab courses, how to handle reminders, or viewing your results, see www.spu.edu/depts/oa.

Instructional Technology Grant

Do you have an idea for integrating technology into your instruction but need some financial support to go from idea to implementation? Instructional Technology Services, the CSFD, and Computer and Information Systems are sponsoring a grant to support innovative uses of instructional technology at Seattle Pacific University. Complete guidelines for this local grant opportunity can be found at <http://www.spu.edu/depts/its/grant/2007>. Contact David Wicks if you'd like to talk about possible ideas and do some brainstorming. Application deadline: **Jan. 3, 2008**.

Reconciliation Studies Course Grant

A new faculty grant presented by the Diversity Committee and the CSFD funds requests ranging from \$500 to \$1500 either to revise a course or to design a new course that emphasizes reconciliation and diversity and enables greater intercultural competency at SPU. A complete description and application form is available at <http://www.spu.edu/depts/csfd/scholarshipops.asp>. Application deadline: **Feb. 1, 2008**. Wondering how you might go about diversifying your course? Next quarter's Brown Bag Lunch (in January TBA date and time) will feature Dave Stewart, Director of Clinical Training and Associate Professor of Clinical Psychology, who will talk about developing strategies for including diversity. When Dave was on the UW School of Medicine faculty, he assisted faculty in including diversity in their clinical training and scientific presentations.

November Grant Advisor Available

The November edition of *The Grant Advisor* can now be accessed through on-campus computers at <http://grantadvisor.com/tgaplus/>. It contains 20-25 full program reviews and over 300 listings of grant and fellowship programs. If it generates any possibilities for you, contact Laura Lundahl (Lundahl@spu.edu), our academic grant writer, for an initial conversation about your ideas and the grant writing process.

Happy Thanksgiving everyone!



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