

Board of Trustees
Washtenaw Community College

DISCUSSION

4800 E. Huron River Drive
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Subject
Approval of 2021 – 22 Faculty Sabbaticals

Date
June 16, 2021

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Trustees approve the attached requested 2021-22 Faculty Sabbatical Leaves as submitted.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WILL BE TAKEN

Prepared by: Dr. Kimberly Hurns

Recommended by: *Rose B. Bellanca Ed. D.*

Title: Executive Vice President of Instruction
and academic affairs

Rose B. Bellanca, President

Summaries for Recommended Sabbatical Leave Requests

(from Kelley Gottschang, Sabbatical Leave Summaries Memorandum, April 16, 2021)

Will Justin Teague: Behavioral Science, Winter 2022

Justin noted that the HSW program uses a number of training tools that give their students the opportunity to see and learn basic skills necessary for their performance in the field. The department has noticed a lack of training videos with diverse populations. Justin plans to create several training videos demonstrating the use of these skills with diverse clinicians that more closely represent the student body and clients that more closely resemble the community. Justin plans on creating and recording 6 individual and one group sessions demonstrating skills including but not limited to: active listening, reflecting, questioning, paraphrasing, use of eyes use of voice, confrontation, and summarizing. This project will provide a useful tool for a number of classes while demonstrating the HSW program's commitment to diverse populations. The videos will be made available to the department for use in any classes that would benefit from the videos. The summary will be presented to the board, to the general faculty meeting, and at a department meeting. The committee has determined that this project meets sabbatical guidelines.

Marvin Boluyt: Life Sciences, Winter 2022

Marvin plans to develop a means to incentivize students, faculty and staff at WCC to engage in regular exercise with the goal of a tangible improvement in health. He would like to promote exercise among our faculty, staff, and students. He will develop a mechanism that will allow individuals the ability to test health in order to assess health and track progress, and also create a mechanism to track participation and progress of the individuals involved at an administrative level. WCC has participated in the Exercise is Medicine on Campus program sponsored by the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) for the last 2 years, earning Silver Level Recognition in each of those years for its excellence in providing opportunities to exercise. To achieve the Gold Level of Recognition it will require WCC to develop a program that engages a much larger segment of the WCC population than is currently engaged. As well as providing a summary to the Board of Trustees and his department, the deidentified data from the participants will be made available on the program website for anyone to see. The anonymous data will be submitted to the ACSM for recognition in 2022 and subsequent years, and may be used to publish in professional journals in the future. The committee has determined that this project meets sabbatical guidelines.