

January Note from Academic Affairs

January 11, 2024

Dear Faculty Colleagues,

We hope that your winter break was restful and rejuvenating! Please know how grateful we are for the admirable work you do every day to help our students learn, grow, and thrive at ISU. Students often cite having a positive connection with a faculty member as the number one reason why they chose ISU, why they stay at ISU, and why they achieve success in their lives after graduation. Without you, and the teaching, mentoring, and guidance you provide, that connection and opportunity for growth and success would be limited.

Below are a few items coming up:

The deadline for 2023-2024 Distinguished Faculty Nominations is approaching quickly. Please consider nominating your outstanding colleagues for Distinguished Teacher, Service and Researcher as soon as possible. The Deadline is **January 17th at 5pm**. Here is the link for the nomination forms: <https://www.isu.edu/academicaffairs/faculty-support/faculty-awards/>
The Office of Finance will be hosting a Budget Town Hall on Thursday, **January 25 from 2-3:30 p.m.** In this town hall we will discuss the budget outlook, progress toward budget optimization, and plans for the coming fiscal year. Here is the Zoom information for this meeting:

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

ID: 82329823382

Passcode: 175150

<https://isu.zoom.us/j/82329823382?pwd=NTVoNkxsZDhYYUxISjZLQjNNVk04Zz09>

Finally, please know that we are gearing up for our NWCCU Mid-Cycle Accreditation review and visit which will be in-person and on-campus on October 14-15, 2024. Please be on the lookout for updates and information with regard to this important visit over the next 10 months. Thank you!

- Academic Affairs Team