

## **Provost Winningham Faculty Senate Report**

**October 21, 2019**

1. Western Oregon University's (WOU) Regional Resource Center on Deafness has received a \$1 million grant from the federal Rehabilitation Service Administration to support its Rehabilitation and Mental Health Counseling (RMHC) Program

Congratulations to Dr. Denise Thew-Hackett, Chad Ludwig and their colleagues for this successful grant that will provide \$200,000 per year, for five years, to support students who want to study in the Rehabilitation and Mental Health Counseling Program. Students in this program become competent counselors who are knowledgeable of innovative and culturally sensitive rehabilitation practices. Graduates of this program will advocate for and with people who are deaf or have disabilities.

2. Director of Academic Innovation Search

<http://www.wou.edu/hr/files/2019/09/E99149-Director-Academic-Innovation.pdf>

The Director of Academic Innovation provides leadership and administrative management for development of existing and new courses and programs offered in online, hybrid, and face-to-face formats, with an emphasis on technology-enhanced and innovative pedagogy. The Director coordinates services, provides direct instructional design support, and serves as a resource for faculty professional development. This position reports to the Dean of Library and Academic Innovation.

3. Dean of Graduate Studies and Research

<http://www.wou.edu/hr/files/2019/06/E99216-Dean-Graduate-Studies-and-Research.pdf>

This is a full-time, 12-month, annually renewable, unclassified position in the Graduate Studies and Research office at Western

Oregon University (WOU) in Monmouth. Western Oregon University (WOU) seeks a dynamic, collaborative, and transformational leader to serve as the Dean of Graduate Studies and Research to be responsible for administrative and financial oversight of this office. This is an administrative position and the Dean of Graduate Studies and Research reports to the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs.

### **Graduate Office**

The Graduate Office is the coordinating office for all matters related to graduate-level studies at WOU. The Graduate Office's mission is to provide services and support to manage graduate programs and to oversee the personal and academic development of the graduate-student community. The office works with academic units to monitor and administer financial support for graduate students including graduate assistantships.

### **Sponsored Projects**

WOU's Sponsored Projects Office assists faculty and professional research staff in their efforts to secure and ensure proper stewardship of external funding. This office is responsible for the effective and timely handling of faculty and staff research proposals, specifically for preparing, interpreting, negotiating, and developing agreements for projects funded by state and federal agencies, foundations, and other public and private sources. The office also provides financial post-award support.