

**WLL Department Meeting**  
**Wed. March 3, 2021 | 3:30-5 PM | Zoom Meeting**

**Attendance:**

Gina Greco (Leading), D Aleeva, A Alsufieva, C Breedlove, J Ceciliano, J Coleman, E Cortez, K Curtin, C de Oliveira, A Dolidon, J Eleweke, C Epplin, N Friedberg, S Fuller, Y Han, Y Hanoosh, J Holt, I Jaen-Portillo, L Kominz, T Nidever, E Nunez, M Patino-Vega, J Perlmutter, S Roulon, A Sedighi, C Sloan, S Thorne, S Wadley, S Walton, I Warnock, S Watanabe, A Zagarella

**Announcements:**

- Marketing update:
  - Advisory (Holt) to contact the business school marketing department, waiting for a response; hoping to get some students who would want to do this for a special project, more info to come.
- Greco: Personal questions in the language class
  - Please remember to always give students the option to make up a persona to answer personal questions during a language class. Make it very clear that you are not interested in the true answer to the question, you are interested in them being able to understand the question and articulate a response.
- Watanabe: The advising community is discussing the possibility of lowering the second language admission requirement to D or D- TEMPORARILY due to Covid. Can request that the change is temporary for three years.
  - PSU is lowering GPA requirement from 3.2 to 2.5 for three years as part of a campaign to make higher education attainable for more Oregonians.  
<https://www.pdx.edu/open-fall-open-all-2021>
- de Oliveira:
  - (a) Elections: Nominations will be accepted until Wednesday, March 31, tenured faculty appointed at 1.0 FTE are eligible to be nominated for the position of WLL Department Chair, Chair serves a three-year term, allowing anonymous nominations; you can self-nominate, can nominate multiple people, will allow for candidates to write a speech/present their vision.
  - (b) Phi Sigma Iota: 17 students nominated.
- Kominz: F2F teaching went well winter term, encourages faculty to have a hybrid class in Spring.
- Dolidon: The Future of the Future, see slide last page
  - Future Committee Part II: Part I: curriculum innovation (pop ups, co-teaching), hashtag campaign
  - Next: Part II: Making WLL more visible, involving students in research, and...? Spring weekly meetings?
    - Send ideas to Dolidon and/or email her if you're interested in being part of this unofficial ad hoc committee.
    - You can do things you are passionate about.
- Hanoosh is serving on a committee to put more funding into student research, two surveys will be sent soon, please complete the faculty survey.
- Holt: WLL 380 (Intro to Comparative Cultures), WLL 381 (Translation Theory and Practice), WLL 383 Comparative Lit/Comics/Film courses are cross listed with English and were approved, encourages brainstorming topics and collaboration.
- BUDGET PRESENTATIONS:

- Tuesday, March 9, 2021 - Academic Affairs Budget Town Hall, 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., <https://t.e2ma.net/click/syghbe/0cdiroo/w939mj>
- Thursday, March 11, 2021 - Program Reduction Process Forum, 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., <https://t.e2ma.net/click/syghbe/0cdiroo/su59mj>
- March 15, Special faculty senate meeting (do not have to be in senate to attend), topic is on Article 22.

**Agenda:**

- Our transfer students: where do they transfer from? What would be helpful for you to know?
  - See email from Greco on March 3 titled “Information from the dean // agenda for today's meeting” for “Excess Capacity” file, draft of Vision/Guiding Principles doc, data for students in 201/301, etc.
  - Watanabe: JPN has a lot of community college transfer students and is considering a 1 credit bridge course to prepare students/improve proficiency coming into PSU to increase retention

**Important Dates:**

**3/9: 3 pm, Provost’s 1<sup>st</sup> budget meeting, new budget model**

3/10: Advisory

**3/11: 3 pm, Provost’s 2<sup>nd</sup> budget meeting, presentation of metrics by Provost’s Committee on Program Reduction and Elimination; presentation of vision and values by Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Program Reduction**

**3/15: 3pm, Special Faculty Senate meeting on Article 22 and reductions to IELP**

4/7: Dept. Meeting

4/14: Advisory

5/5: Dept. Meeting

5/12: Advisory

6/2: Dept. Meeting

6/9: Advisory

**Thursday, June 10, 4 PM: WLL VIRTUAL GRADUATION**