



CHPS, The College of Health Professions and Sciences Fall 2024 Dean Meeting

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Dean's Initiatives

- How can we (SG) help advance CHPS?
 - Interim Dean Theriot: Not too much for us to advocate for. Opportunities for input. Student advisory group that Dr. Saleh leads. Dr. Saleh and I just had a meeting about how to redesign the physical space within the buildings – furniture. How can we meet student needs with furniture – is that technology or tables that garner collaboration? Student voices will be critical in this as y'all are the primary users. And advising which y'all will touch on later.
 - Senator Johnson: I think that is great and will help everyone. There are jokes within our college about it being a little old.
 - Interim Dean Theriot: Will not yet. Is there anything that y'all like?
 - Senator Johnsons: BA has Einsteins.
 - Interim Dean Theriot: We have Starbucks right there!
 - Senator Johnson: True!! I'm going to start flexing that!
 - ELA Richmond: Anything else we should be doing?
 - Interim Dean Theriot: Just this conversation has been amazing. To hear that we are doing what y'all want is rewarding. I also like to hear ways that we can fill in these gaps. The Student Advisory Council meets monthly for communicative purposes. If there are other ways that make sense, I am very open to that.
 - Senator Johnson: Speaking at Open Forum would be cool, if it permits your schedule!



- Interim Dean Theriot: I can do that. Our office exists to serve the students, faculty, and staff of the college and I believe talking to you all at Open Forum does that!
- ELA Richmond: I will be in touch.
- Interim Dean Theriot: I am willing, just need to know what I talk about it. We need to maintain these dialogues.
- College Leadership Changes
 - Interim Dean Theriot: Up to provost to launch the search. I expect to be interim dean for this academic year. Joel Cramer moved to the provost's office, so a lot is changing and transitioning in CHPS. And when there is a search for the dean students should be involved in the process. Encourage your constituents to be vocal in the search to ensure the student voice is considered in who is determined who will be the next Dean!!

Initiatives

- Increasing Class Accessibility
 - Encouraging classes to use live subtitles on PowerPoint
 - Interim Dean Theriot: I think that is a very reasonable quest. My speculation is that professors don't do this because they don't know how or don't think about it. Very good suggestion!
 - Senator Johnson: I would love to help; I am a member of the Geek Squad?!
 - Interim Dean Theriot: Larger initiative across campus about accessibility – documents on website and subtitles.
 - Associate Dean Saleh: All colleges should do this.... a university level initiative!
- Improving CHPS Advising
 - Overlaps with general advising
 - Students report not knowing who their advisor is
 - Students report long waiting times for appointments
 - A lot of students pursuing careers that require further studies and oftentimes tests
 - Need more guidance on what classes to take and when to be prepared for tests like the MCAT, DAT, etc.
 - Making class syllabi accessible to advisors
 - Allows students to have a concept of the time required by classes and the content of the class
 - Creating a timeline for different tracks like PA, Med, and Dental school
 - Could include objectives, internship and class goals, when to study and sign up for tests, and when to apply
 - Interim Dean Theriot: The change in advising has been different and a little disruptive. I want to ensure that there are not challenges that affect students'



graduation. This stuff is helpful for us to hear about. These gaps that you mentioned are what we are talking about.

- Associate Dean Saleh: Currently working on major maps, incorporating what students should be taking. This was done this summer, and the coaches are getting access now, so they will hopefully be fixed.
- Interim Dean Theriot: With the lacking guidance on dental, with the centralization of advising we have lost some of that specialized guidance. We just hired some advisors who will hopefully provide advising that meets y'all's needs. The goal is to have people within the college that understand these things.
- Senator Johnson: Having advisors with syllabi that students could have a sample of would be super beneficial. I chose classes based on teachers that released their syllabi early, so I know what to expect. Encouraging professors to upload syllabus early would be beneficial.
- Associate Dean Saleh: Simple Syllabi is doing this!
- Interim Dean Theriot: The purpose of Simple Syllabi is to have a library where you can access all of the syllabuses. Simple Syllabi is now mandated!!
- Associate Dean Saleh: Going back to the maps, we do have them for med and pharmaceuticals. What is your advice on making them available for students? We plan on doing WebCourses, is that good?
- Senator Chauhan: Emails are good.
- Senator Naguib: Maybe having a CHPS WebCourse and not publishing to the orientation would be good.
- Associate Dean Saleh: We did that, shoutout previous Senate!!!
- Senator Johnson: Send it out when people are signing up for classes.
- Senator Chauhan: Could make a workshop requirement – looking at these pages, as it will help them succeed.
- Associate Dean Saleh: Hard to make a requirement.
- Senator Aitelhaj : For HUT we have that to graduate.
- Associate Dean Saleh: It is very different. CHPS has way more students than HUT. And the students who know what they are doing would get annoyed.

Following Up:

- Changes to College Leadership
 - Interim Dean Theriot: