

Minutes from Strategic Implementation Plan Subcommittee on Scholarship April 6, 2012

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This meeting will take the last meetings ideas and make them into a concrete plan of action, in preparation for the report to the SPI Committee, which should include concrete steps for implementation. Evan Lee will draft the report and submit for this committees review via email.

Aspirations

Publicize scholarship better and more broadly, making faculty scholarship more accessible to our students and the world.

Collaborations

Workshop in smaller groups ("Affinity Groups") for constructive and non-judgmental feedback.

Connecting scholarship with the classroom experience.

Working into curriculum

Journals

Send table of contents to faculty, the library has a way to set up and request, but we should send out table of contents to faculty or notices to faculty of journal contents.

Internet journals could get faculty involved.

Publicize student scholarship.

Contact Alex Shapiro of communications department regarding videos of faculty and student(?) highlighting current scholarship and research.

Potential Action Item:

Seminar Courses/Colloquia Hybrid

- Use as a vehicle for inviting internal and external people, along with students to present weekly (similar to NYU and Stanford)
- Allows students to participate in professional level atmosphere
- Include practitioners as presenters
- Peak interest of students, particularly 1Ls

Issues: teachers and budget for speakers and food

Action Item:

Publicizing Scholarship

- Library/Pipeline: SSRN and BePress – like
- Place ALL scholarship in digital repository which gets sent out to the masses
- "Research paper series" also linked to faculty pages and penetrates google scholarship
- Open source gives us more flexibility and the ability to customize

Recommendation: continue with open source and include free SSRN pages with links on open source pages

Action Item:

Scholarship Pre-production - Invites collaboration and feedback at beginning of semesters

- Research Dean's office to send out a memo requesting information on what faculty members are working on during spring semester and follow up at the beginning of the fall semester, which then can also be used to set up workshops.
- Distribute summer stipend topics to faculty which includes a one – two sentence abstract with request.

Student perspectives:

- What are faculty members working on, maybe include in syllabi
- August list should also be sent to students (RAs may be interested in list for work)

Action Items:

Affinity Group Workshops

- Small groups to workshop scholarship based on subject matter “affinity group talks” send solicitation for subject matter
- Should include students
- May scholarship list to distribute to faculty and students include stipend request distribution to include summation