

Dewar COEHS Meeting Documentation Form

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Statutory committees are required to maintain formal minutes.

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Committee/Group Name: Department of Library and Information Studies

Chairperson/Responsible Contact: Dr. Linda Most (Department Head)

Purpose of the Meeting: Faculty Meeting

/Date: 1/26/2022 **Time:** 9:30 am **Location:** Online Via TEAMs

Departments/Participants/Groups/Agencies Represented: Dr. Alemanne, Dr. Choi, Debi Carruth, Dr. Colson, Dr. Drouillard, Dr. Most, Ms. Peacock, Dr. Ren, and Dr. Yang.

Primary Outcomes: VSU MLIS Program was granted continued accreditation status by the American Library Association Committee on Accreditation. The next visit for a comprehensive review is scheduled for Fall 2028. The next Biennial Narrative Report is due February 15, 2023. University, Graduate School and COEHS updates were shared with faculty. Provost, Dr. smith reported that the Governor's budget request is supportive of the USG and individual institutions. VSU is to receive \$620,000 in direct funding to support preparation of rural teachers and support rural education. The governor has requested a cost of living raise for all state employees and is expected to include USG employees as well. This request will need to be approved by the legislature. The third of five CVIOG salary adjustments were approved for funding and will be implemented in the February 2022 paychecks. The Graduate Exec Committee notes will be filed with minutes. Departmental Committees submitted their reports.

Actionable Items/Planned Follow-up: The Graduate School has launched the student application feature of the new Slate Application Platform. MLIS faculty will be informed when the review side is ready to launch. The Graduate School Research Symposium 2022 is scheduled for April 8, 2022. MLIS faculty will submit nominations for this symposium by March 4 @ 5:30 pm. COEHS Dean Search is still underway. The LiveText assignments for Spring 2022 will be created by Dr. Drouillard. She will review data for fall 2021. Scholarship applications are due by February 12 and COEHS scholarship applications are due February 25. MLIS Faculty will submit nominations for George Gaumond Award. Faculty will forward wish lists for computers & technology, equipment, book orders, and furniture to Dr. Most by February 7. The applications due date for the MLIS Lecturer position deadline is extended to February 1. Faculty re-visited discussion on bringing in a diverse pool applicants and will explore ways to advertise to ethnic library associations.