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New Faculty Mentoring Program

Introduction to College and University Offices that Support Professional Development

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Links are posted at http://www.cas.ilstu.edu/faculty/mentoring/mentor_resources.shtm

Guests: Ann Beck, CAS/CSD; Dagmar Budikova, GEO; Deborah Fox, CAS; Becky Mentzer, Associate Director of Honors Program; Gary Olson, CAS; Sally Parry, CAS; Mark Walbert, Associate Vice President for Academic Information Technology

Moderator: Sam Catanzaro, CAS/PSY

Dean Olson welcomed all new and returning faculty and outlined the general goals of the Faculty Mentoring Program. He introduced each of the Associate and Assistant Deans with a brief description of their areas of responsibility, emphasizing that the College Office is available as a resource to help faculty succeed.

Dagmar Budikova talked about the trajectory of her professional development and her current experience as a CAS Administrative Fellow.

Mark Walbert talked about the various Academic Information Technology units and how their varied services fit together to serve the teaching/learning mission. He made special note of the opportunities available at CTLT, discounts available through Software Management, and the use of Blackboard on campus.

Becky Mentzer described opportunities for interacting with and mentoring Honors Students (e.g., teaching Honors sections, supervising research projects). Research grants are available to Honors students. She also highlighted the national scholarship opportunities available to students (e.g., Goldwater program).

Sam Catanzaro spoke about the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning on behalf of the Patricia K. Cross Endowed Chair, Kathleen McKinney, and distributed a handout. He also described the Faculty Excellence Initiative of the Provost's Office.

Ann Beck noted the College Research Support webpage and reminded everyone of the New Faculty Initiative Grant and Pre-tenure Faculty Initiative Grant programs.