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## CoLA Lowdown

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## A NOTE

# From the Dean

I put this out already on LinkedIn, but I thought it would be worth repeating here.

The Illinois Supreme Court event was an amazing event this last Tuesday, unprecedented in my experience to date. That the State of Illinois has a "touring the circuit" program that brings the highest court in the state to the community is remarkable in and of itself, but for SIU Carbondale to be honored with such outreach was just wonderful.

Tuesday's oral arguments were of two real-world cases with real-world consequences. It is also worth noting that the First Circuit Judge, Christy W. Solverson (SIU Alum, twice over), explicitly made the point today in the Q&A that schools of law value accepting new students who have had a variety of undergraduate study—that they are as interested in accepting somebody with an Accountancy degree as they are an English degree. For those who say you cannot do anything with a Liberal Arts degree, you can (and medical schools also like Liberal Arts majors as well).

She also said, "Do what you love, what you're interested in." Sage advice, indeed.

## College Calendars

[CoLA Events Calendar](#)

[CoLA Faculty & Staff Calendar](#)

## College Committees

[CoLA Committees Webpage](#)

The CoLA Committees webpage lists all the committee meeting minutes.

## College

# Meetings

**Directors** meetings take place the second Thursday of every month at 3pm, Dean's Conference room, Faner 2408.

**Undergraduate Program Coordinators** meetings take place the fourth Tuesday of every month at 3pm, Dean's Conference room, Faner 2408.

**State of the College & Awards Celebration** will take place on Thursday, April 10 from 4:30pm - 6:00pm in the Faner Courtyard.

## Upcoming

# Deadlines

March 31: A/P performance evaluations

April 4: TT workload assignments due

April 18: NTT workload assignments due

May 1: NTT Annual Review

May 15: GA performance evaluations

# Share Your News

Do you have news to add to an upcoming CoLA Lowdown? Submit [this form](#) to share news, events, awards, and more with the rest of the College.

## *CVeX Director Candidates*

**Dr. Holly Lewis** Professor of Philosophy at Texas State University, where she also Directs the Digital Ethics Certificate Program, and she will be on campus Monday,

March 24th. Her talk, "Continuity Community, Convergence," will showcase her vision for Building the CVeX and highlights her research on Ethics in Virtual Environments and Augmented Realities. Her current book project, *How to Think About Artificial Intelligence* examines the crisis in public thought about A.I., simulation, and quantum computing. Dr. Lewis's talk will take place on **Monday, March 24, 10:30am - 11:30am, in Faner 1229.**

**Dr. Sean Fraga** is Assistant Professor of History at the University of Southern California, and he will be on campus Monday, March 31st. In addition to his traditional scholarly work, Dr. Fraga will give us his vision for the CVeX and his current work with *Booksnake*, a scholarly app of his design that allows users to create 3D virtual objects from museums and archives and then interact with those objects in their own virtual office spaces. His current book project, *Ocean Fever*, is currently under contract with Yale University Press. Dr. Fraga's talk will take place on **Monday, March 31, 10:30am - 11:30am, in Faner 1229.**

**Dr. Justin Hodgson** is Associate Professor of Digital Rhetoric at Indiana University Bloomington, and he will be on campus Friday, April 11th. His most recent book project, *Post-Digital Rhetoric and the New Aesthetic* showcases his scholarly work on digital rhetorics and post-humanism. Dr. Hodgson currently directs the Digital Gardner Initiative at IU, and in his talk he will show us his vision for the CVeX through what he calls "digital success stories, which involves using emergent technologies to tell stories that promote student success through spaces such as the CVeX. Dr. Hodgson's talk will take place on **Friday, April 11, 10:30am - 11:30am, in Faner 1229.**

## Important Information

**Faculty resource** - Morris Library is subscribing to Candid, a database of foundations. To access, select the link below and scroll and click the entry listed as "[Foundation Directory](#)." If you identify a Foundation that you would like to propose to, please let the OSPA staff know and they will assist.

**Honors Day Ceremony** will take place on Saturday, April 12 at 1:00pm, in Guyon Auditorium. Faculty are encouraged to attend in order to help congratulate award recipients.

**Textbook adoption reminder** - Please remember to submit all book orders for fall courses. Send textbook adoption orders and inquiries to the bookstore at [0625txt@follett.com](mailto:0625txt@follett.com), or send via campus to SIU Bookstore, mail code 4422. Please ensure that all courses you are teaching in the Fall semester have course materials ordered no later than April 15, 2025.

**CoLA Electives Webpage** - CoLA is looking to highlight courses for Summer and Fall 2025 that majors across the university can take as electives. We're looking for courses that do not require a prerequisite and are likely 200/300/400 level courses. These courses will be included on the CoLA Electives Webpage and sent

out to advisors across the university. Courses that are not taught often, are new, or are Special Topics courses are especially encouraged. If interested, please send a course flyer to Rachel Wolters ([rachelw@siu.edu](mailto:rachelw@siu.edu)).

## 2025 SIU System Faculty Collaboration Award



### Now Accepting Nominations and Applications for the 2025 SIU System Faculty Collaboration Award

The Faculty Advisory Committee for the SIU System (FACSS) is now accepting applications for the 2025 SIU System Faculty Collaboration Award. This is an annual award to recognize faculty for impactful collaborative endeavors between SIU System institutions (SIUE, SIUC, and their affiliated entities) in the areas of teaching; and/or scholarship and creative activities; and/or service; and/or antiracism, diversity, equity and inclusion (ADEI). This award has been created to foster continued collaborations among faculty members between SIU System institutions in support of the SIU System's vision and mission.

The award will be presented at the September SIU Board of Trustees Meeting. Each team member will receive an award plaque and \$1,000 cash prize (monetary award will be equally divided among team members - routed through the payroll system).

The application deadline is **April 18, 2025**. To apply for the award please complete the following application by clicking the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VHRVYP3> or by using the QR code below.

The award criteria and eligibility is available on the SIU System VPAIPP webpage at the following link: <https://siusystem.edu/innovation-planning-partnerships/CriteriaSIUSystemCollaborationAward2025.pdf>.

Inquiries about the award can be directed to Gireesh Gupchup, VP for SIU System Academic Innovation, Planning and Partnerships at [gireesh.gupchup@siu.edu](mailto:gireesh.gupchup@siu.edu) or Julie Lindsey at 618-453-1837 or [julie.lindsey@siu.edu](mailto:julie.lindsey@siu.edu).



## Upcoming Events





# MUTABLE CORPORA:

TRANSLATING THE METAMORPHIC BODIES OF VIKING-AGE ART

DR. ANDREA C. SNOW

From the late eighth through the early twelfth centuries, medieval Scandinavian communities chose to represent the human body in varying states of ambiguity. Craftspeople rendered schematized, twisted anatomies that were hewn from the reeds of wood, chiseled into stone monuments, cast in silver and bronze, and carved into segments of animal bone. To the modern viewer, their configurations may register as strange figuration. Perhaps there is something profound to be discerned from their obscured features.

While artists of the Latinate West would establish conventions for representing figures that visibly asserted the emotive expressivity of the face and body to circumscribe the beholder's expected emotional (and spiritual) comportment, the figures that populated the art of the far north lacked physiognomic distinctions such as defined facial features and somatic expression of emotion. To what could these strange bodies refer? Which cultural factors contributed to their distortion, and how were they read by their intended beholders?

This talk addresses these questions, arguing that the enigmatic bodies of Viking-Age art did not represent human anatomy as it appeared before the eye, but instead gestured to a broad, flexible, and supernatural corporeality that transgressed the boundaries between animal and human.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup> 5:00 PM MOORE LECTURE HALL 1326

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# CoLA

## Faculty Award Winners Celebration and State of the College Address

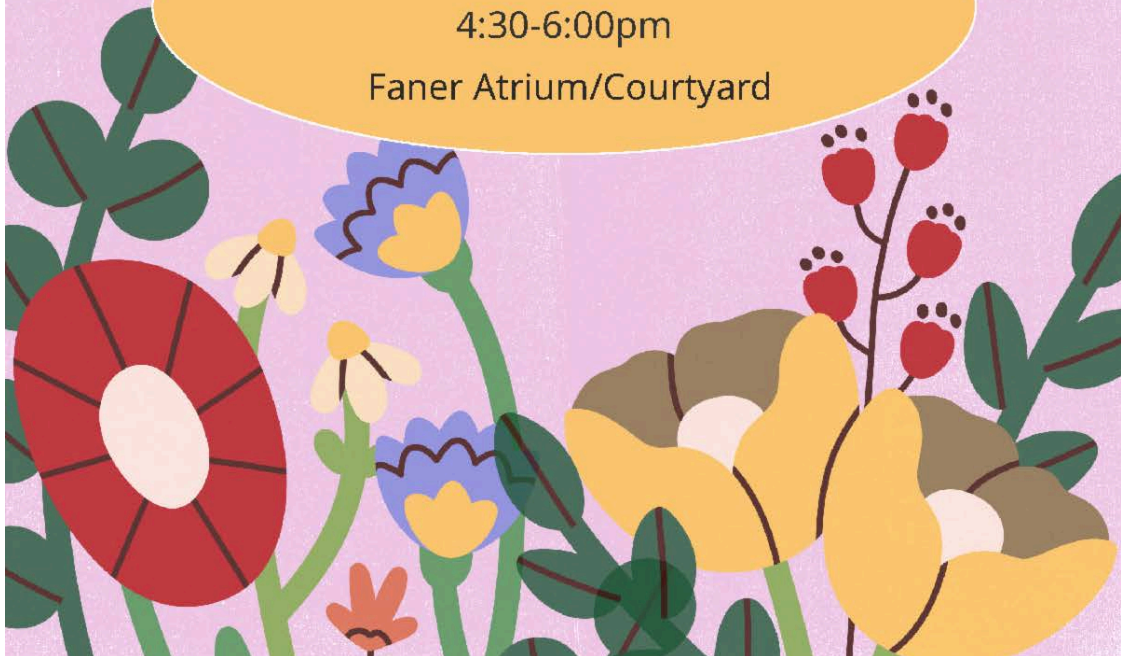
All CoLA Faculty and Staff are Invited

Charcuterie Table, Wine, Beer, and Non-alcoholic  
Beverages Provided

**Thursday, April 10th**

4:30-6:00pm

Faner Atrium/Courtyard





# DÍA DEL IDIOMA ESPAÑOL

April 23rd

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## JOIN US AS A VOLUNTEER FOR SPANISH LANGUAGE DAY!

If you enjoy organizing, supporting cultural activities, and being part of a great celebration, we need you!

### ✓ Tasks include:

- ◆ Setting up, decorating, and cleaning up.
- ◆ Assisting with material organization.
- ◆ Supporting event logistics.
- 📄 Scan the QR code to sign up 📄



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## PARTICIPATE IN SPANISH LANGUAGE DAY!

🎉 Join us in celebrating the Spanish Language Day with fun activities!

You can participate in:

- 📖 Open mic reading of short stories, novels, or poetry.
- 🗨️ Spelling and tongue twister contest.
- 🎮 Games & Entertainment.
- 🎵 Music & Arts.
- 🎭 Monologues/theater in Spanish.
- 🎤 Karaoke & live instrumental music in Spanish.
- 💃 Latin dance rhythms for all ages & more!



👤 Open to everyone inside and outside campus (in-person/virtually).

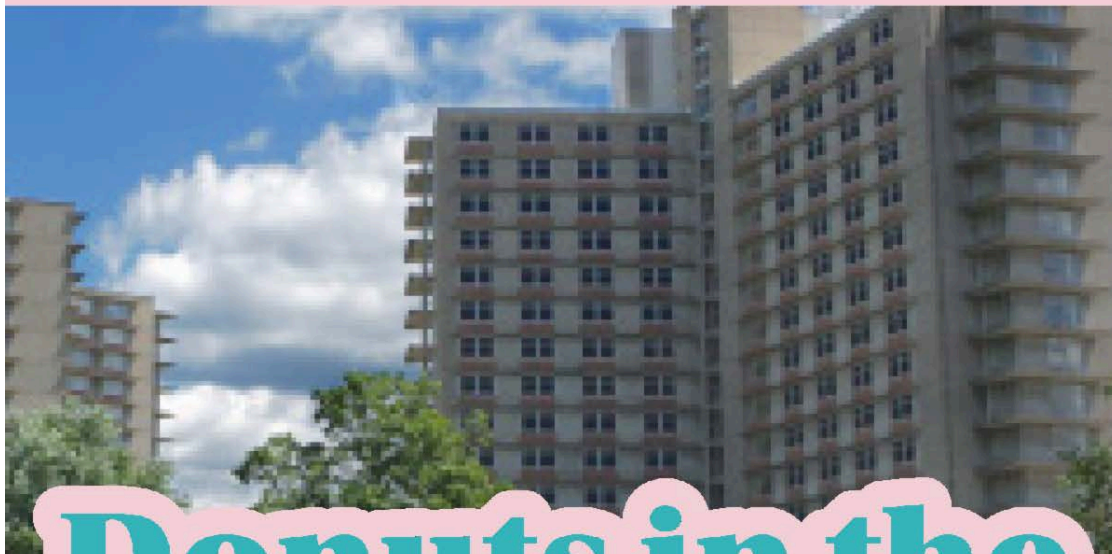
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✉ For more information, contact us at [gisell.chapal@siu.edu](mailto:gisell.chapal@siu.edu) or [albuixel@siu.edu](mailto:albuixel@siu.edu)

🗨 Come and be part of this amazing celebration of the Spanish language!



CoLA LLC Event



# Donuts in the Dorms

8:30-10:00am

Schneider Hall Conference Room

**Monday, January 13th**

**Monday, February 3rd**

**Monday, March 3rd**

**Monday, April 7th**

Free Donuts! This is an opportunity to  
check-in with your R&R Coordinators  
and Academic Advisors.

**JOIN  
US!**

**COLA  
LLC**



**LUNCH WITH  
RACHEL AND RITA**

(Your CoLA Recruitment and Retention  
Coordinators)

- Gather together for lunch with other CoLA LLC students.
- Ask us Questions!
- Learn about resources and events on-campus.

*Trueblood Dining  
Hall 12:00-1:00pm*

Monday, January 27th  
Tuesday, February 25th  
Monday, March 24th  
Tuesday, April 15th





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