The new Academic Personnel Web site and resource is LIVE: Click here

We welcome any feedback or suggestions for our new site. Please email us directly at HS-SOMAPTeam

1. **The Deadline for winter 2018 First-Year Seminar Proposals is Friday October 6, 2017** - In the past academic year, over 300 for-credit seminars were offered to over 4,000 undergraduates, and the response was tremendous, encouraging the expansion of educational opportunities for incoming and continuing students. Members of the campus community with instructional appointments are encouraged to offer a variety of unique seminars that develop critical thinking and communication skills, as well as deeper connections with campus community. Particular areas of interest are:
   - *Enduring and Contemporary Issues*
   - *Course-based Undergraduate Research Experiences*
   - *Transitional First-Year Seminars*

   You may submit your proposal online here. Questions should be directed to Janet Chambers, Program Coordinator by email or by phone 530-752-1772.

2. **Capital Resource Network** supports the success of local companies, educational institutions, and non-profit organizations in their recruitment and retention of highly educated, skilled and diverse talent. We are happy to announce that the Capital Resource Network is now “live on Facebook.

   Please visit and “like” the page while viewing interesting articles, pictures, and testimonials.

3. **Washington Monthly’s 2017 Best Colleges List has Some Surprises** - USA Today, Susannah Hutcheson
The Washington Monthly 2017 Best College Guide is officially live with what they call an “increasingly influential alternative” to other college rankings that uses measurements of improving social mobility, research production and promotion of public service. The Top 20 is made up largely of public schools, including the University of California-San Diego, Texas A&M University and the University of Washington-Seattle. Here’s the best of the guide, which includes everything from colleges best for adult learners, to schools with the best bang for their buck. Link to full article

6. University of California, San Diego

9. University of California, Davis

14. University of California, Berkeley

20. University of California, Los Angeles

21. University of California, Irvine

33. University of California, Riverside

43. University of California, Merced

85. University of California, Santa Cruz

4. New Faculty Workshop - Tools for Success

Tuesday, October 31, 2017
8:00 am to 1:00 pm
MIND Institute Auditorium
2825 50th Street, Sacramento
Click here to register

The goal of this workshop is to help faculty identify the skills needed for their continued academic success, and to connect them with the resources available to support their work here at UC Davis. It is particularly important that all new faculty attend. This workshop provides an overview of the merits and promotions process and compensation plans, which are unique to UC Davis Health. Important information will also be provided in the areas of education, research, faculty development, faculty mentoring, and retirement planning. A continental breakfast is provided and a special "lunch with series" activity takes place from 12:00 to 1:00 pm. Many faculty have found the lunch portion of the event to be particularly helpful.

5. Tips for Mentees:

Mentee: As a new mentee or someone starting out in research in need of publications, ask a senior faculty member if you can help write up some of their findings and co-author a manuscript or co-author a review with them.

6. Upcoming Mentee Workshops Announcement!
How to Get the Most from the Mentoring Experience! This didactic workshop includes exercises to help the mentee get the most out of their mentoring relationships. This workshop is open to all faculty, however it is designed for assistant and early associate professors. Mentors please encourage your mentees to enroll.  *Lunch will be provided for those who have registered.*

**Tuesday, September 26, 2017, 11am-1pm, Education Bldg., Room 3205**

*Upcoming Mentor Workshops Announcement!*

**Combined Module 1 & 2 Workshop:** (Register for each Module you wish to attend.)  
**Thursday, September 28, 2017, 4-6 pm, Education Bldg., Room 3205**

Module 1: Aligning Expectations and Developing Contracts  
Module 2: Maintaining Effective Communication Assessing Understanding  
*Light refreshments will be provided for those who have registered.*

**Combined Module 1, 2, 4 & 5 Workshop:**  
**Saturday, October 21, 2017, 10am-3pm, Education Building, Room 2205**

Module 1: Aligning Expectations and Developing Contracts  
Module 2: Maintaining Effective Communication Assessing Understanding  
Module 4: Addressing Diversity and Inclusion  
Module 5: Promoting Professional Development; Fostering Independence  
Each module is an hour. Register for each module that you wish to attend.  
*Lunch will be provided for those who have registered.*