Resolution
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BFA Faculty Affairs Committee

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Whereas the University of Colorado has set as a goal to encourage and support interdisciplinary collaboration on the Boulder campus, including the setting of the Flagship 2030 Flagship Initiative, Transcending Traditional Academic Boundaries,

And

Whereas the BFA Faculty Affairs Committee in consultation with the BFA Executive Committee has developed an initiative to support this vision through a program entitled, Internal Visiting Professors as documented in the accompanying pages,

And

Whereas the initiative has received favorable initial comments by the Administration and the BFA Executive Committee has granted its endorsement of the new program,

IT IS MOVED that the BFA endorse the creation of the Internal Visiting Professor program as presented by the Faculty Affairs Committee and endorse the funding of a pilot launch of the program as indicated.

Notice of Motion to the BFA: March 1, 2012
Approved by the BFA: March 1, 2012

Internal Visiting Professor

The concept behind this initiative is that faculty would be able to arrange a semester or year-long “collaboration visit” to another department. The arrangement is not a sabbatical, but rather is an opportunity for a faculty member to work with individuals in another department to expand interdisciplinary research and teaching connections. The exchange would allow an in-depth collaboration experience with faculty members from another department to enhance new research opportunities and to explicitly respond to the university’s push to an inter-disciplinary environment. The arrangement specifics could vary depending on the departments involved. The minimum arrangement would be a buyout of the faculty member’s course(s) back to the home department. The origination of the funds could either come from the visiting department or the university depending on the arrangement. The duties of the visiting faculty member would be arranged with the host department. The duties may be limited to a research collaboration or may include teaching a course in the host department.