

INVST Directors' Committee Meeting

Fri, Mar. 4th, 2022 from 10:30 am - 12 noon MT

Meeting at this link on Zoom: <https://cuboulder.zoom.us/j/3562009142>

Our facilitator is Cat

AGENDA

1. 10:35-10:45

Introductions, assign roles, agenda, and review previous meeting minutes

Opener-what makes you LOVE yourself?

What is consensus decision-making? It's good to refamiliarize before entering a convo.

Inclusive

Cooperative

Egalitarian-everyone afforded equal time and input in process-hand signals are important here

Solution-oriented

Sometimes compromise is necessary. Question to ask is "Can you live with this decision?" when there is not an obvious and immediate consensus

Get consensus on agenda and last month's meeting notes.

Meeting notes from Feb:

https://www.colorado.edu/invst/sites/default/files/attached-files/invst_dc_meeting_2_11_22_notes_for_website-2.pdf

2. 10:45-11:05

Discuss a new fall theory course for next year

-People of Color and Social Mov'ts by Awon Attuire as 2nd yr theory course. Awon has not been happy at CU-feels CU does not support him and black educators in general. Feels exploited and not compensated appropriately for his work. CU has a big talk but when it comes to deliverables, he has not been treated as he should by upper admin. Will be moving to teach at Colorado College. Yay Awon! AND we are so sad and will miss you.

Sabrina proposes:

-Short term solution-can take an existing ETHN upper division fall '22 course. This had been shared with Rats and is in discussion.

- Here is a list of other ETHN courses that will be offered this Fall:

https://www.colorado.edu/ethnicstudies/sites/default/files/attached-files/spring_2022_des_schedule_of_courses_updated_1-13-22.pdf

- As well, here is the list of elective courses that are honored by the Leadership Studies Minor:
- <https://www.colorado.edu/lsm/coursework/minor-pathways-electives/electives>

-Long term we will want to develop something or hire an instructor to create/adapt a course for INVST 2nd year students. It might be really good to work with a SOE instructor/professor that is tenure-track.

- Here are School of Ed faculty we could partner with:
<https://www.colorado.edu/education/about-us/people>
Specifically: Susan Jurow, Kilonji Nzinga, Terrenda White, Arturo Cortez, Jose Ramon Lizarraga

DISCUSSION: Passion for Olivia is around ENV sustainability. The restrictions around Jr/Sr for upper division classes. Can INVST get around this? Can 2nd yr INVST students be made an exception? We can communicate with hosting dept. and explain situation and hopefully negotiate an open spot.

-Let's explore SOE faculty/staff

-Environmental studies/ethics sources don't always have critical race theory and this is often missing. JEDI in ENVS is working on social/climate justice. Climate Justice course?

3. 11:05 - 11:25

Discussion of creating an annual INVST event with the goal of creating sustainability in SOL projects/their topics

Annual event that keeps convo open-we can grow connections with local community orgs and also advertise for INVST. Separate from SOL Project presentations-more public. Immigration, Consent, Mental Health and Wellness are all common themes that students have worked on. This could be a way to continue/sustain sol projects and keeps convo open and action flowing towards the work and could develop deeper connections with community orgs. Maybe in the fall rather than in spring so as not to overwhelm students? CU Engage students doing community work could also be invited. Let's keep collecting ideas and keep it as an open discussion.

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Internal INVST Announcements

4. 11:35 - 11:45

admissions interview & selection about to start

SPF interview & selection-Deadline to apply April 15th. Open to those graduating in 2022, all INVST alum and all interested in applying (being an INVST alum is not mandatory).

Community Announcements

5. 11:45 - 11:55

Feedback for Cat, prepare for next meeting

- Students & staff share upcoming invitations & information about events & other important things happening in our community (could be on-campus activities too)
- Any events hosted by your SOL Proj partner orgs or internship sites, that you want to invite us to?

- Cat will invite us all to her African Dance final-it'll be a party
- Cynthia Corral got a job offer and will be teaching at RM Prep 4th grade literacy
- Any Rocket Stick Rat fundraising events that you'd like us to put on our calendars?
Pancakes on the Hill TBD

6. Closing (last 10 mins)

- Facilitator Feedback for Cat
- Collect Agenda Items for Next Meeting
 - Come back to fall theory class convo
 - Community update from Stick rats on their summer experience plans
- Review date, time & location of next meeting: Fri, April 8, 10:30-12 same zoom:
<https://cuboulder.zoom.us/j/3562009142>
- Next facilitator: Jules
- Closing Activity, Check Out, and Goodbye