ICCE Coordinating Group

Midyear Report – 2022-2023 AY

Membership

Chair(s): Bob Kolvoord

Members: Mike Busing, Rubén Graciani, Keith Holland, Bethany Nowviskie, Nick Swartz*

*Nick joined us when he took on the SPCE Interim Dean duties.

Charge: To provide strategy and vision for Innovation, Creativity, Collaboration and Entrepreneurship (ICCE) across campus and interface with other academic leaders to make sure students and faculty across campus can participate in ICCE activities. The Coordinating Group will also work with the ICCE Council to support and grow ICCE activities in a broadly coordinated way.

Summary of Current Semester Activity:

- CVPA's Office of Creative Propulsion is featuring an upcoming session on ThoughtSwap, a technology to promote conscientious discourse in education, and invite collaborators to join their ongoing work in Spring 2023. ThoughtSwap is a collaboration between CVPA and CISE faculty.
- Regional Economic Recovery Series
 - Pre-legislative forum with Chamber of Commerce and Shenandoah Valley Technology Council to discuss Regional Economic Recovery Series Priority Areas of Action: Childcare, Affordable Housing, Transportation, and Workforce planned for early 2023.
 - University Economic Development Council
 - APLU-IEP Self-Study framework developed and submitted to APLU.
- The Gilliam Center for Entrepreneurship (GCFE)
 - Partnered with faculty members from AAAD to begin development of an app that will provide minority students information on "safe spaces" and "community spaces."
 - Sponsored the very successful second annual Women in Entrepreneurship week (<u>https://www.jmu.edu/news/cob/2022/10/10-20-celebrating-women-in-ent-week.shtml</u>)
 - Relaunched the Summer Venture Accelerator in June 2021. After pausing during summer 2020, the reimagined program provided a high-quality experience for participants. At the conclusion of the Accelerator, the top student is awarded the "Tucker Scholarship" (made possible by GCFE board member, Kevin Tucker).

- Launched the "Inclusive Innovation Story Series" which is a collaboration with JMU's X-Labs. This programming engages students with alumni, faculty, and staff who have stories about innovation and entrepreneurship from a minority perspective. The virtual event was well attended and there are over 200 views on YouTube, to date.
- Now has comprehensive suite of programming: Fallon Challenge, Madison Inc, Dukes Venture Accelerator, Bluestone Seed Fund. They also will host the VCIC Mid-Atlantic Regional Competition on Saturday, February 11, 2023.
- The Holland/Yates scholarship has been created for non-business entrepreneurship minor students and will be a recruiting tool.
- We've finalized floorplans for new Carrier Library to include experimental/flexible classrooms, tech-rich collaboration spaces, makerspace, etc.
- There are organizational structures/consolidation of teams supporting ICCE within Libraries:
 - Media Production & Makerspace Services department within Learning Innovations & Design
 - Digital Scholarship & Distinctive Collections department within Academic Engagement.
- Work progresses on Mellon-funded Flowerings Project to create technical infrastructure for rich, new media archives and born-digital scholarship.
- We are creating a seminar series focused on applications of Blockchain for Spring 2023.
- We've consulted with Anthony Tongen, Besi Muhonja and Patrice Ludwig on the reenvisioning of X-Labs.

Future Work Planned:

- We will continue to explore ways to bolster interdisciplinary research across campus.
- We will begin to explore ways in which ICCE can be included in unit Promotion and Tenure documents (this stems from national work in which we've been involved).
- We will discuss how we staff new projects and engage faculty in them.
- We will continue to explore what R-2 designation might mean for ICCE activities.

Appendices

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