

Department Chairs, Associate Deans, and Deans,

With a goal of staying connected on internal governance issues, the Provost Office sends a monthly Roundup on the final Friday of each month to the internal university leadership.

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6/29/23, SMU is developing several talking points for faculty leadership.

[Document Check-in](#) upon arrival to get their enrollment holds lifted. New international students facing academic difficulties must work with an International Student Advisor/Designated School Official to discuss options for a reduced course load (RCL). For more information, reach out to Claudia Sotomayor Hart at claudiahart@smu.edu.

Our focus is on providing support and resources for students. Our advisors are working around [Degree Planner](#), the my.SMU tool for undergraduates that will help students plan their path to graduation and aid departments' planning of future class schedules. Advisors have had a chance to weigh in with their feedback on how to incentivize students to use Degree Planner; we would like to hear from Department Chairs. [This concise survey](#) will tell us more about how you want to receive the course demand data from Degree Planner data that can guide your future course planning. Please take 5 minutes to provide feedback if you have not yet had a chance to do so.

Decisions about new faculty searches will be announced to all faculty leadership in July, at which point all search processes can begin with the formation of search committees and the development of robust recruitment plans. Please note that all search committee members must have taken Searching Intelligently training to be added to a search committee, so please encourage your faculty colleagues to participate in this training as early as possible [registration information can be found here](#). This year, we will use a digital process for signatures for all searches to streamline the processes and communications. For more information, please reach out to facultysuccess@smu.edu.

: Please let us know if you have received or have been nominated for an award or if you have nominated an SMU colleague [at this link](#).

We welcome your suggestions for future areas to feature in the monthly roundup; email facultysuccess@smu.edu. You can [find past issues at this link](#).