

To: All University Faculty and Staff  
From: Academic Planning Committee  
Date: Friday, August 14, 2009  
Subject: Phase Three of the UNL Budget Reduction Process - September 18, 2009 Budget Hearing

The Academic Planning Committee (APC) recently completed the first round of budget hearings on July 30, 2009 which focused primarily on proposed administrative reductions (To review previous campus correspondence please visit the Chancellor's Budget Reduction web page <http://www.unl.edu/ucomm/chancellor/2009budget/>).

The final hearing date is scheduled for September 18, 2009 and will focus on those reductions identified as mainly affecting academics. This hearing provides an opportunity for concerns to be voiced publicly. No one is required to attend this hearing and participation and attendance are optional.

The APC requests that, in order to coordinate the hearings schedule, all individuals wishing to respond to the proposals submit a written notice of intent to appear (see instructions below). This notice of intent is nonbinding and an individual or unit that expresses the intent to appear may later decline (Please note that one who does not submit such a notice of intent may still be heard at one of the hearings but will probably have very limited time compared to those who file a notice of intent). Once the quantity of presenters is known, a schedule of times for presentation on each date will be published.

**September 18, 2009 APC Budget Hearing Session (tentatively scheduled from 1 to 5 p.m. but will be extended if necessary)**

Academic Affairs

Arts and Sciences (*Reduce faculty administrative stipends for Asian Studies, African American Studies, Latino and Latin American Studies, and Native American Studies Coordinators; Reorganization and program cuts; Eliminate Speech Workshop support; Eliminate support for Junior Mathematics Prognosis (JUMP) program*)

College of Business Administration (*Agribusiness program-Eliminate half-time Coordinator position and reduce Graduate Assistantship support; Elimination of vacant line*)

College of Engineering (*Dean's Office-Reduce support; Reduce staff support for combined ME, IMSE, EM departments (Mechanical Engineering, Industrial and Management Systems Engineering, Engineering Mechanics)*)

Fine and Performing Arts (*Eliminate part-time clerical support for Dance program*)

Law (*Eliminate vacant faculty Line*)

University Libraries (*Decrease staffing in Technical Services*)

Education and Human Sciences (*Elimination of Educational Administration Gerontology program; Reduce budgets for adjunct and part-time faculty in Teaching, Learning and Teacher Education; Reduce operating funds and student workers in Educational Psychology Department; and reduce clerical help in main office and reduce FCS education faculty line in the Department of Child, Youth and Family Studies*)

Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources

Agricultural Research Division (ARD) Technical Support (*Reduce technical funding support to ARD scientists by eliminating 25 percent of ARD state funding for Research Technicians and Technologists*)

The written notice of intent to appear must identify the specific budget reduction(s) that will be discussed, the name of the presenter, and contact information for the presenter. The notice of intent

should be sent to the Academic Planning Committee, c/o Dr. William Nunez, APC Secretary, 332 Canfield Administration Building, 0435 or [wnunez2@unl.edu](mailto:wnunez2@unl.edu) **by 3 p.m., September 4, 2009.**

For this last round of budget reduction proposals, the APC intends to continue to follow a process that is both open and inclusive and also provides ample opportunity for members of the campus community to express their concerns. We will make every possible effort to communicate the ongoing actions of the APC to the UNL community as well as continue to be open and available to those seeking assistance.

Sincerely,

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