

- Designing options for aligning the 7ish-week terms (sometimes called "part-of-term") and semesters in the academic calendar
- Updating the details about the Dean search committee membership to help us successfully recruit new Deans
- Designing and updating the Academic Affairs and College websites
- Finalizing the Tartan Transfer agreement with 9 community colleges (signing event coming soon)
- Continuing the process to support REAL, including smoother transfer options, and a campus conversation about updates.

Please keep an eye on this space – many updates and opportunities for input will be coming soon!

Enjoy the first days of fall! As always, I am grateful to be working with you and watching you create a thriving community on campus and beyond.

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Women's and Gender Studies

October is recognized as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. To shed light on this critical issue, the Women's and Gender Studies Program is pleased to host a talk by Dr. Wendy Eckenrod-Green (Professor, School of Teacher Education and Leadership). Her presentation will focus on the acute challenges victims face when attempting to leave their abusers.

Presentation Title: *Intimate Partner Violence and Break ups: Brutality, Badgering, and Burials.*

Presenter: *Dr. Wendy Eckenrod-Green*

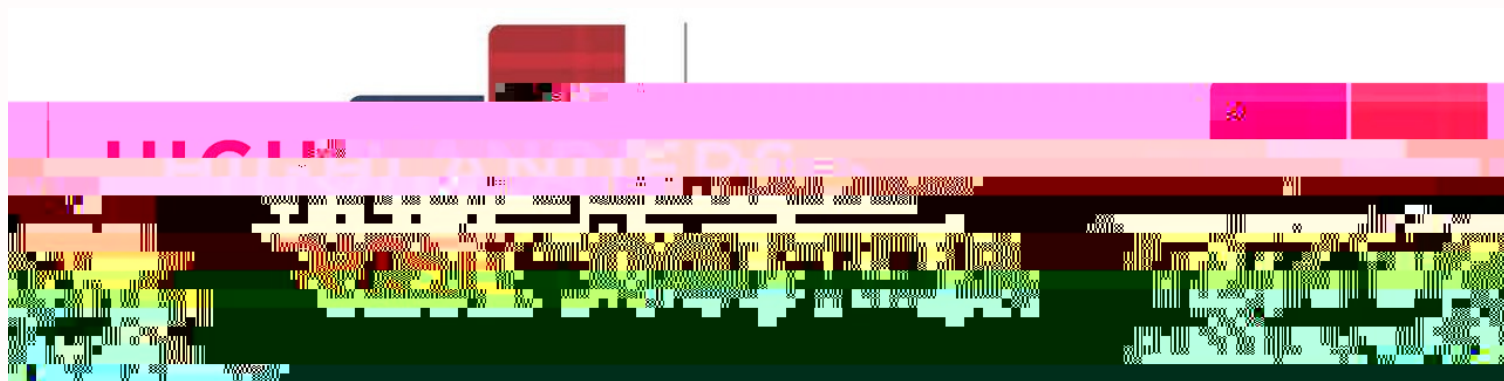
Time: *October 2nd (Wednesday), 5:00pm - 6:30pm*

Location: *Andrew W. Ross Student Art Gallery, McConnell Library*



Please join us for **"Dialogue Across Differences: An Evening with Frank Bruni"** on October 23 at 7 p.m. in the Artis Center Main Stage, followed by a reception in the lobby. Bruni is a New York Times Columnist and author of *The Age of Grievance*, which explores why Americans are so politically polarized and what we can do about it.

Please join us for the **October Common Grounds** event on October 8 from 4-5 p.m. in the McConnell Information Literacy Classroom B (3rd floor). These monthly facilitated conversations about issues that matter are open to all students, faculty and staff. October's topic is **artificial intelligence**, and we'll explore questions such as "should I use AI to do my homework?" and "should RU have an AI policy?". Delicious baked goods and coffee will be served.



Food For Thought: Share your thoughts and meet some students!

Faculty, staff, and students across campus are engaging in the Realizing Inclusive Student Excellence (RISE) Community Action Teams to help build community within each of our academic colleges. Our flagship program -Food For Thought-provides free food and encourages conversation within our academic communities. **Faculty-Please stop by during your college event to help students find their place within their academic homes!**

Monday 10-12 CVPA - Artis Center main lobby

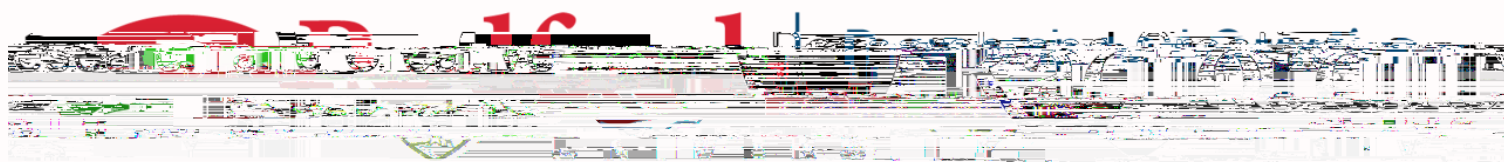
Tuesday 9-11 CEHD - Peters Hall main entrance

Wednesday 11:30-1pm DCOBE - Kyle Hall 1st floor

Wednesday 9:30-11:30 WCHHS - Waldron Hall patio

Thursday 10-11:45 CHBS - Hemphill Hall 1st floor lobby

Friday 10-12 ACSAT - Reed Hall atrium





4-VA Course Redesign and Experiential Learning

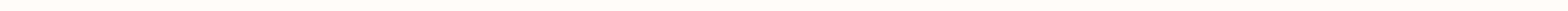
Radford is now part of 4VA (a Virginia higher education collaboration) and eligible for a new inter-institution grant initiative. This is a great opportunity for faculty to collaborate across member institutions on some innovative pedagogy.)e8

truck, kids zone, cash bar, etc.

activities and register for special events here

Office of Graduate Affairs

Highlander Research Competition: On April 2, 2025, the Office of Graduate Affairs, in collaboration with OUI, will host the inaugural Highlander Research Blitz Competition. This event is open to both graduate and undergraduate students from Radford University's main campus, RUC, RHEC, and SVHEC. Participants will have three minutes to present their original mentored research or creative projects on a single PowerPoint slide. The goal is to effectively communicate the significance of their work to a general audience. Radford and Radford University Carilion students interested in competing should submit their applications online by February 19, 2025. [i](#)



McConnell Library - Reading Room

Stop by a pop-up Civic Lab on Voting. W





Friday, November

Save the Date!

The Annual PA Day is taking place on 10/4 in Roanoke.

Elmwood Park Art Walk: PA Day Health Fair will offer the following:

- Screenings (blood pressure, diabetic foot checks, education about resources available in the community for low-cost healthcare)
 - Those attending will get a dry bag with some essential items
 - Oral health tent - worked with Carilion Dental Clinic to get donations (toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc) to give away
 - Public Health offerings - nutrition education, chair yoga
 - Council of Community Services wants to set up a tent to do Hepatitis and HIV screening
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