In support of the College of Design’s interdisciplinary instruction efforts, we invite you to submit proposals to teach a Freshman Seminar during the 2011-2012 academic year.

We are planning to offer a variety of freshman seminars as a feature of the undergraduate program. Freshman seminars can be offered either fall or spring semester. You may offer a 2-credit course, with or without Writing Intensive, or a 3-credit course with a Designated Theme and/or Writing Intensive. (Follow these links for information on writing intensive and designated themes.) Enrollment will be limited to 15 students. These 1000-level seminars are intended to create an intensive learning cohort experience that will assist incoming students to make the intellectual transition to a major research university. We hope that students will be attracted to College of Design seminars from across the campus and that students will connect with each other and with the instructor in a way not possible in the larger introductory courses typical in the first year experience. Seminars should address an engaging topic, theme, or issue within your area of expertise about which you feel passionate.

Freshman seminars can be proposed by a regular faculty or fulltime (75% or greater) PA faculty member and are not considered part of the regular teaching load. Instead, additional compensation of $2,000/credit is added to your salary.

Attached to this email is the proposal form. The form is to be filled out, approved by your academic head, and then returned to: Paige Rohman, 101 Rapson Hall.

The Deadline is Monday, November 22!

You will be notified of the outcome of your application no later than December 31.