



Creighton Jesuit Higher Education Seminar

The Jesuit Higher Education Seminar aims to: 1. foster discussion amongst faculty from all of Creighton's units, representing all disciplines, ranks, and faith traditions, 2. educate faculty about the history and spirituality of Jesuit and Catholic Universities, and 3. help faculty participants discover how to operationalize mission and Jesuit identity in their own units, their own teaching, and in their own research.

History of the Seminar

The seminar was started by the Faculty Mission and Identity Group (FMIG), a group of faculty who became inspired by participating in one of the Heartland Faculty Conversations. The first seminar was run in 2004 and has been offered every year.

Faculty and staff from across the university meet on 8 Tuesday nights spread across the academic year, typically from 5:30-8 pm. Participants meet to discuss the Jesuit and Catholic heritage of Creighton University, our common, educational mission, and how the Catholic/Jesuit mission can lived out within individual units of the broader university.



2018-2019 Participants Tom Svolos, from the School of Medicine, and Deb Ford, from the Teaching and Learning Center, discuss one of the project presentations.
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Peggy Ruprecht, an assistant professor in the department of Journalism, Media, and Computing, presents her seminar project during one of the three lunch sessions in April.
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2019-2020 Seminar Leaders

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| Cindy Costanzo, PhD, RN | College of Nursing Graduate School |
| Gintaras K. Duda, PhD | College of Arts and Sciences/Physics |
| Jim Pribek, SJ, PhD | College of Arts and Sciences/English |
| Susan Naatz | Mission and Ministry |

2019-2020 Seminar Topics

| Seminar Topic | Presenter |
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| Creighton's Jesuit and Catholic Mission | Fr. Daniel Hendrickson, SJ |
| History of the Jesuits | Fr. Greg Carlson, SJ |
| Ignatian Discernment | Fr. Larry Gillick, SJ |
| Integration of Faith and Reason | Gintaras K. Duda, PhD |
| Ignatian Pedagogy | Kirk Peck, PT PhD |
| Student Care | Alicia Klanecky, PhD Tanya Winegard, PhD |
| Catholic Higher Education | Tim Cook, PhD |
| A Faith that Does Justice | Tom Kelly, PhD |

Participants will also:

1. Attend a North Omaha Orientation with the Schlegel Center for Service and Justice
2. Attend an overnight, preached retreat at the Creighton Griswold Retreat Center
3. Develop and implement their own project, describing the results during one of three final, lunch-time sessions in the spring

