



UNIVERSITY CONFERENCE & FACULTY FALL CONFERENCE 2023

Registration is required for all events by August 20, 2023

Register online at: <https://www.plu.edu/faculty-resources/important-dates/university-faculty-conference/>

University Conference

Wednesday, August 30

9:30-10:00 am	Morning Chapel	<i>KHP Ness Chapel</i>
10:00-10:30 am	University Conference - Morning Refreshments	<i>KHP Red Square</i>
10:30-11:30 am	University Conference	<i>KHP Auditorium</i>
11:30-1:00 pm	University Conference Lunch	<i>KHP Red Square</i>
1:15-5:15 pm	Faculty Fall Conference - Day 1	<i>See below for full schedule</i>
5:00 pm	PLU Staff Council & University Scholars Association Welcome Back Social	<i>University house</i>

Faculty Fall Conference | Committee & College Meetings

Day 1: Wednesday, August 30

1:15-2:00 pm Faculty Committee Organizational Meetings

COMMITTEE	CONVENER	LOCATION
Academic Performance & Integrity	Paul Sutton	<i>Admin 217</i>
Core Curriculum	Jacob Egge	<i>Admin 202</i>
Educational Policies	Jessica Schwinck	<i>Admin 219</i>
Faculty Affairs	Beth Griech-Polelle & N. Justice	<i>Admin 211B</i>
Governance	Oksana Ejokina	<i>Admin 211A</i>
Global Education	Heather Mathews	<i>Admin 200</i>
Rank and Tenure	Charlie Katica	<i>Admin 204B</i>

2:15-3:15 pm College Meetings

Health Professions	<i>Garfield CLSC 200</i>
Liberal Studies	<i>Xavier 201</i>
Natural Sciences	<i>TBD</i>
Professional Studies	<i>TBD</i>

3:30-4:15 pm School/Department Meetings Meeting details communicated by unit

4:30-5:15 pm Interdisciplinary Program Meetings Meeting details communicated by program

Faculty Fall Conference | Cultivating “Flourishing” in Lutheran Higher Education

Day 2: Thursday, August 31

Chris Knutzen Hall

9:00-9:30 am **Informal Morning Social**

With coffee, tea, and scones

9:30-9:35 am **Welcome**

Xiaohong Fan and Beth Griech-Polelle, Co-Chairs

9:35-9:40 am **Invocation**

Pastor Jen Rude

9:40- 10:10 am **Provost’s Address**

Joanna Gregson

10:10-10:40 am **Faculty Chair’s Address**

Neal Yakelis

10:40-11:00 am **Break**

11:00-12:00 pm **In Search of 'Thriving' in Higher Education**

Dr. Bryan Dewsbury

Bryan Dewsbury is an Associate Professor of Biology at Florida International University where he also is an Associate Director of the STEM Transformation Institute. He received his Bachelor’s degree in Biology from Morehouse College in Atlanta, GA, and his Masters and PhD in Biology from Florida International University in Miami, FL. He is the Principal Investigator of the Science Education And Society (SEAS) program, where his team conducts research on the social context of education. He is a Fellow of the John N. Gardner Institute and Director at the RIOS (Racially-Just Inclusive Open Science) institute. He conducts faculty development and support for institutions interested in transforming their educational practices pertaining to creating inclusive environments and in this regard has worked with over 100 institutions across North America, United Kingdom and West Africa. He is a co-author on the upcoming book Norton’s Guide to Inclusive Teaching and author of the upcoming book What then shall I teach? – Rethinking equity in higher education. He is the founder of the National Science Foundation (NSF) funded Deep Teaching Residency, a national workshop aimed at supporting faculty in transforming their classroom to more meaningfully incorporate inclusive practices. Bryan is originally from the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and proudly still calls the twin island republic home.

12:00-1:00 pm **Lunch with Dr. Bryan Dewsbury**

Buffet lunch provided

1:00-2:45 pm **In Search of 'Thriving' in Higher Education** continued

Dr. Bryan Dewsbury

2:45-3:00 pm **Break**

Wine and cheese served

General Education

3:00-4:00 pm *Facilitated by the CCC (Core Curriculum Committee)*

Scott Rogers and Jacob Egge

With wine and cheese!

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