

Human Resources Newsletter



Office of the Provost &
University College
October 2025

Hello New Hawkeyes!

Help us in extending a warm welcome to the newest members of the Provost Organization & University College joining us, or transferring to new roles!

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Collin Sawyer, Administrative Services Manager, Center for Intellectual Freedom



Upcoming New Hire Breakfast Club: November 12th

HR Resources, News, & Wellness

Mondays At The Plaza

turns the North Library Plaza into a mini festival every Monday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. through October—think food trucks, hands-on fun, and campus vibes at their best. Swing by for gourmet bites, creative booths, and a chance to connect, create, and celebrate with your campus crew!



The Staff Appreciation Grant is open!

This grant supports departments and units in recognizing their staff through small events, team-building activities, or appreciation items. Applications are open from October 1–24, 2025.

[Grant information & application](#)

Health & Well-Being Fair

Join on October 15th for your one-stop shop for flu shots, chair massages, health screenings, and more! Explore campus programs, chat with experts, grab giveaways, and enter to win door prizes. Just bring your University ID and get ready to feel good and connect with your campus community!

[Fair Schedule & Information](#)

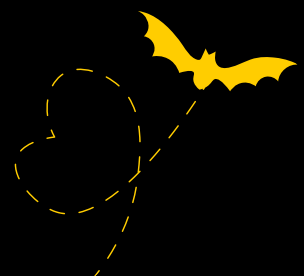
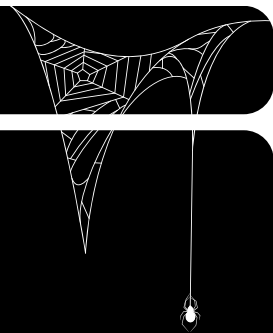
Grab a Flu Vaccine!

Protect yourself and others with a free flu shot! On-campus clinics run from Sept. 15 to Dec. 5, making it easy and convenient for faculty and staff to stay healthy. Just bring your University ID and take a simple step toward a safer campus.

[On Campus Flu-Vaccine Events](#)

Benefits Open Enrollment

Annual benefits open enrollment for faculty and staff will begin at 8 a.m. Oct. 31 and end at 5 p.m. Nov. 14. You'll receive an email with additional information on October 31st.
[Learn about benefits here.](#)



October Milestones within Office of the Provost & University College!

ONE YEAR

Mike Borovsky
Parker Johnson
Betsy Stevens

THREE YEARS

Ali Casela
Aaron Greenwald
Veronica Sanchez
Claire Quelle

TEN YEARS

Anna Flaming
Vickie Houser
Mollie Willis

TWO YEARS

Jacob Salter

FIFTEEN YEARS

Jerrold Gilmere
Angie Lamb

Milestones are reflective of OP/UC dates, not full UI anniversary dates



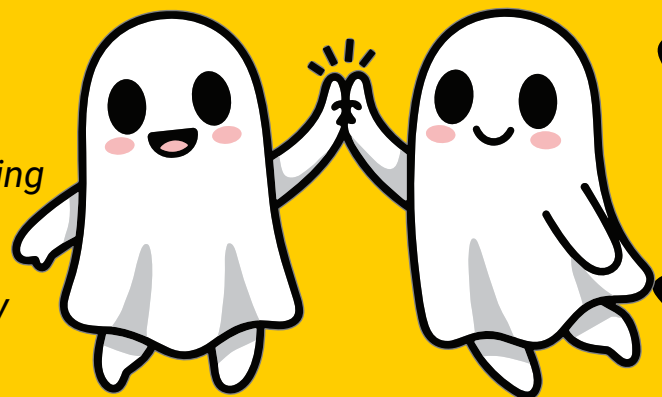
September High Five Recipients

*Vivian Barton
Genea Bean
Kristen Becker
Joyce Crawford
Tiffany Fowler
Sally Hartnett
Jamie Herrin
Mary Kay Hora
Caroline Jens*

*Parker Johnson
Hannah Oberhoffer-Phillips
Benjamin Partridge
Mary Rankin
Char Maher
Brigid Martin
Teresa Watson
Nicole Williams*

Submit high fives [HERE](#) to recognize your amazing colleagues and teammates!

Congratulations to **Mary Rankin**, our randomly selected high five gift winner! Keep your eyes on campus mail for your gift!



October Departmental Spotlight

Exciting changes are underway in the newly named **Academic Excellence and Support Suite**, located in 2750 University Capitol Center! Pathways to Excellence and the Office of Student Learning (OSL), alongside the Office of Scholar Development, have relocated and joined TRIO Student Support Services & TRIO Upward Bound!

Pathways to Excellence empowers students through access to support services that promote retention and graduation. With programs like Academic Coaching, First Year Seminars, GEAR UP, Iowa Edge, and First-Gen Student Success, Pathways is a hub for student advocacy and early intervention. Under the leadership of Danielle Martinez, the office continues to build strong campuswide partnerships to help students thrive.

The Office of Student Learning is equally committed to academic success, offering Supplemental Instruction, Peer-Led Undergraduate Study (PLUS), Tutor Iowa, and more. With Stephanie Huntington now serving as Director and Steph Preschel stepping into her new role as Assistant Dean in University College, OSL is expanding its reach and impact across campus.

Office of Scholar Development assists current undergraduates and recent alumni connected to the University of Iowa in their pursuit of national fellowships and grant opportunities, working with prospective applicants, academic units, and campus organizations.

Join on Friday, October 17th 2:30-4:30 pm for an Open House in Suite 2750 at the University Capitol Center! Meet the teams, explore their services, and enjoy light refreshments as they celebrate their new space and shared mission to support student success.

Supervisor Spotlight

Supervisor Lunch & Learn

Conflict Management Ctd.

October 28th 12:00-1:00 pm

Supervisor Breakfast & Learn

Conflict Management Ctd.

October 30th 9:00-10:00 am

Email Tracey Pritchard for ZOOM links.

Note: You do not need to have seen the September session to attend this one!

We will now offer two options based on feedback received. Pick the one that works for you!

HR September Answer of the Month

What fall treat do you crave most?

#1 Answer: SOUP!



HR OCTOBER Question of the Month

Share your thoughts on some October questions!

Answer anonymously [HERE!](#)

Answers will be shared next month!



Shoutout to our amazing new team members who've joined us for the monthly **New Hire Breakfast Club**—and a big thank you to the supervisors who make it possible by encouraging participation!

We've spent the last 10 months building connections, swapping resources, and sharing plenty of laughs—all over breakfast! Here's to keeping the good vibes (and coffee) flowing!

