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What is the BioSEPC?

The BioSEPC is a student-faculty liaison which provides the faculty with student input on professors, candidates, curriculum and other department issues. As our primary duty, we survey students and summarize their opinions regarding current professors and professorial candidates. We then submit these summaries to the department faculty and/or other appropriate committees on campus.

In addition, we send one representative to the bi-weekly department faculty meetings and another representative to the bi-weekly Student Curriculum Committee meeting chaired by the SGA Vice President/President of Academic Affairs. For fun, we organize the department study breaks and picnics, and send out a monthly newsletter to majors. Historically, we also have had input into the types of speakers that the department brings to campus for the weekly seminars. We hold weekly meetings to delegate duties and to discuss pertinent issues.

The Bio SEPC would like to welcome you to join our Sunday 7PM meetings and listen or voice any concerns you may have about biology at Grinnell. We meet in the Bio Seminar Room (1021). Stop by the Bio Commons and find out who we are!

Upcoming Events

CERA (Conard Environmental Research Area), Grinnell's 365-acre biological field station, is celebrating its 40th Anniversary! Join the

festivities Saturday, September 20th. Transportation will leave the Joe Rosenfield Center at 1:30.

Event Schedule

1:30 pm - Buses leave Grinnell for CERA

2:00 pm - Special program in the Environmental Education Center (EEC) and refreshments

2:45 pm - Short field tour (about 30 minutes)*

3:00 pm - Deluxe field tour (about 60 minutes)*

3:30 pm - Early bus departs CERA

4:30 pm - Last bus departs CERA

For more information, be sure to check out the CERA website:

<http://www.grinnell.edu/academic/biology/cera/40years/>

The Biology Department at Grinnell College holds a seminar each Friday during the semester at 12:00 in Science 2021. There are a limited number of slots available to students who wish to present a 15-minute research talk to the Department and interested students. The research can have been performed at Grinnell or elsewhere, but **A MEMBER OF THE FACULTY MUST SPONSOR YOU IF YOU WISH TO GIVE THE TALK HERE.** This faculty member is then responsible for working with you while you prepare your presentation. Marna Montgomery in the Science Division office can assist you with multimedia, if you need help.

If you wish to give a seminar, please contact Marna Montgomery (Science office) before Friday, September 12th. Open dates this Fall are 9/26, 11/7, 11/14, 12/5. Depending on demand, preference may be given to senior candidates for Honors in the major.

Every semester the Bio department throws a picnic for faculty and any students interested in biology. This is a great opportunity to meet not only professors, but also upperclassmen and peers who share similar interests. This semester the picnic will be held at Professor Diane

Robertson's house (1327 Park Street) on Friday, **September 26th**, starting at 5:30. Members of the SEPC will come around to biology classes with sign-up sheets.



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