

College of Arts and Letters
Chairs Start-of-Year Retreat
Thursday, September 17, 2015
9:30 - 3:00
Mission Inn, Riverside CA

- 1) Introductions & Announcements
 - a) Chairs
 - b) Dean's Office
- 2) 2015-16 Budget - M. Fuller and R. Chuang
 - Overview
 - Targets & Enrollments
 - Supplies & Services
 - Part-time Allocations
- 3) *Strategic Planning: SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats)
- 4) TIME CERTAIN 11:00 Development - What role should faculty play? - J. Nichols
Repository of Faculty Achievements
- 5) *Student Success: CAL Retention & Graduation Rates - Can we improve?
 - CSU Student Success and Completion initiatives (attachment)
 - Bottleneck courses (attachments)
 - Time to degree (attachment)
 - High impact practices
 - Curriculum revision via Q2S?
- 6) Faculty Mentoring: Existing practices and best practices
- 7) Items to address this year: Revisit minimum class sizes; Q2S Opportunities; Faculty assigned time

**break-out sessions*

E-handouts:

- Bottleneck courses: Difficulty for students to enroll; Low Passing Rates
- Comparison of Time to Degree for CAL Undergraduates and Graduates
- CSU Student Success and Completion Initiatives