

Faculty Senate Talking Points, December 1, 2020:

- COVID-19 update: about 1,000 tests were done prior to Thanksgiving, and a few last week. Testing is currently available (contact covid19questions@uidaho.edu), but surveillance testing is not going on, as most faculty and staff are working remotely. The schedule for spring semester testing will be communicated soon.
- Faculty Senate Leadership wishes to thank those who sent feedback about the Provost candidates. A special thanks to Russ Meeuf who compiled the feedback received from Senators into a memo that we sent to President Green on Monday November 30.
- Athena is proud to announce the call for participation in the 2021 Athena Women's Mentorship Program. If you are interested in participating in the 2021 Athena Women's Mentorship Program as either a mentee or a mentor, we ask you to fill out the following survey by **Monday, December 7**. Everyone is encouraged to apply. Cohort three will be announced by Friday, December 18.
- The survey seeking volunteers for Senate Committees closes on December 11. Please fill out the survey if you are interested in serving on a committee. Please also encourage your colleagues to complete the survey by December 11.
- ASUI Representatives Sierra Brantz and K. Dawn Amos presented to Senate a project they are working on named "Mental Health Days." A lively discussion followed. Senators were supportive of and impressed with the ASUI efforts to help their fellow students. Read more in the minutes!

Important dates:

- A reminder that December 11 is the deadline for completing the required university training, see <https://www.uidaho.edu/governance/edl/required-training>
- Next University Faculty Meeting: December 9, 2:30p.m. to 4:00p.m. Save the Date!
- Deadline to request delay for promotion and/or tenure is March 14, 2021.

All Faculty Senate agendas (including attachments and supporting documents) and meeting minutes are made available on the new Senate webpage: <https://www.uidaho.edu/governance>

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