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Dean McFarland:

The Scholarly and Creative Activities Council, formerly known as the Undergraduate Research Council, has been very active this year. Each individual on the Council has been dedicated to serving the institution and has been part of a very creative group. The Council member from your school is Chuck Allison.

I appreciate his efforts and participation in the success of the Council this year. This has been an active year for undergraduate research at UVSC. Some of the activities in which members of the Council have been involved include:

- representing individual School and department interests regarding scholarly and creative activities;
- review of Presidential Faculty Scholarly and Creative Activities Award applications and funding of 17 faculty-student scholarly activities;
- review of Student Scholarly and Creative Presentation Award applications and funding of 33 students for presentations at discipline specific professional conference;
- initiation of a Faculty Scholar Fellowship which supported nine faculty to be funded for mentored research projects;
- initiation of the first Scholarly and Creative Activities Showcase for those who have participated in undergraduate research activities (faculty and students); and
- sponsorship of 25 students to attend and present at the National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR) in Ashville, North Carolina in April.

The Council will continue to expand opportunities for faculty and student participation in undergraduate scholarly activities at Utah Valley State College.

Sincerely,

Loretta Palmer, Ph.D.

Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs

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cc: Keith Olson, Dept. Chair

Chuck Allison