



EVP Divisional News and Announcements

Fall 2017

Message from Craig

The beginning of an academic year is the opportunity to set goals for all we need to accomplish, especially the services we provide that enhance the Penn community's mission of creating and advancing knowledge to serve society. It is inspiring. And yet, sometimes the depth and breadth of the to-do list is daunting.

I am naturally curious and wonder about the factors that help, or hinder, a person's (and for that matter a community's) achievement towards their goals. And, I landed on a single idea: *Interdependence*.

It is my privilege to work alongside you to serve this institution, which, remarkably on any given day is the fifth most populous city in Pennsylvania behind Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Allentown, and Erie. And, in my 17 years at Penn, I have learned the size and complexity of our community requires collaboration. No matter how intelligent or hardworking the individual, they cannot succeed at Penn without acknowledging their interdependence on colleagues, and collaborating.

This concept was dramatically reinforced in September as Texas, Florida, Mexico City, Puerto Rico and the Caribbean rallied in the face of natural disasters. Amateur rescuers

voluntarily went into the storm with personal boats, kayaks and canoes to save people and pets from submerged houses and streets. Think about that: *they voluntarily went into the storm to help their community.*

Most of us don't risk our personal safety at work (aside from our amazing Penn Police), but we can help each other by acknowledging and appreciating our interdependencies. When evaluating the EVP Division through data, statistical trends, and budget analysis, I get a partial story of our performance. However, when I see people collaborating; I know leadership is present, and success is imminent.

Thanks for all you do to help create a culture of collaboration.

Best,

Craig

Craig's Tip of the Season

Fall in Philadelphia has great weather and a lot of attractions, and I recommend you visit this website to learn about the many ways you can enjoy our region.

<http://www.visitphilly.com/articles/philadelphia/top-fall-festivals/>



Craig's List

(not to be confused with Craigslist)

Penn Med Named Among Top Ten in USA

Nominate your colleagues as Models of Excellence. The 2018 call for nominations is live for this campus-wide recognition program. Deadline October 20, 2017.

Penn Family Day Turns 25 on Saturday, October 21st! Join colleagues for a day of

complimentary programs such as football, soccer, tailgate parties, Penn Museum, Penn Ice Rink, and more.

Congrats to Business Services and FRES for completing the renovation of Hill College House!

Uber and Penn launch a joint ridesharing program on Penn campus.

Penn Public Safety welcomes the Class of 2021 during NSO.

Penn Dining opens Pret A Manger. Huntsman Hall is now home to Dining's newest addition - a brand new Pret A Manger. Pret A Manger is a sandwich and coffee shop that creates fresh, handmade food in-shop each day using natural, preservative-free, ethically sourced ingredients.

