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Dear Hall Rectors,

The Student Union Senate, in conjunction with the Provost's Office, is in the process of revitalizing the Hall Fellows Program at the University of Notre Dame. The purpose of the program is to facilitate student and faculty interaction outside of the normal classroom setting.

We would like to create a list of names and contact information of all professors interested in being a part of the program. The list will then be distributed to each Academic Commissioner in each dorm. With the list of Hall Fellows, the commissioners will then be able to contact one or multiple professors who they think would work well with the composition of the dorm. This type of system allows each dorm to experience a variety of areas of study with different professors, while at the same time allowing professors to experience the different atmospheres and traditions of various dorms.

The purpose of the Hall Fellows program is not to transfer lectures from the classrooms to the dorms, but to encourage students and faculty to come together and find original and creative ways of exposing students to new ideas and stimulating discussion in a more intimate setting. We hope to develop the connection between the students' residence academic lives. Not only will students be enriched by the closer relationships with the professors, but the professors will also have the opportunity to witness and learn about the everyday lives and concerns of their students. The Hall Fellows Program has the potential to be an extremely rewarding experience for all involved, student or faculty.

We not only want to make you aware of the potential this program possesses, but also seek your help in getting this project off the ground. By meeting with your Academic Commissioner(s) and encouraging them to brainstorm possible ideas and/or events that your dorm could host, you will be helping to develop the interest and creativity that will be essential to the success of this program. Each hall is urged develop unique ways of coordinating the program. If you have any question, concerns or recommendations please contact Lauren Williams, chair of the Student Senate Committee on Student-Faculty Interaction (lwillia1@nd.edu). Thank you for your support in what we hope will become a tradition in lives of students and faculty at Notre Dame.

