

# GH Chatter

Word around Greene Hall is that SAIS Director, Steven Jackson, has devised a new set of research requirements for the corps of instruction in accounting. The new requirements are said to be separate from the existing CoB faculty handbook, *Enhancing Faculty Productivity*, and without any college-wide justification and approval, Jackson's decision looks to have created yet another legal snake pit for CoB administrators.

Sources tell USMNEWS.NET that the EFIB's search to replace a number of departed economists is in full swing. One story making the rounds is that a candidate who is possibly a relative of Mohsen Bahmani-Oskooee, a close friend of CoB economist Farhang Niroomand, is one of the finalists for the open slots in EFIB. Long-time readers of USMNEWS.NET are familiar with Niroomand's close association with Bahmani-Oskooee. Our reporters broke the [story](#) that Bahmani-Oskooee was used by Niroomand to secure the CoB's 2001 Louis K. Brandt Research Award for another of Niroomand's close friends, CoB economist Edward Nissan.

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