

GH Chatter

Not surprisingly, the new USMNEWS.net series on accounting chair Kirby "Skip" Hughes is generating lots of chatter. After what we've read so far, how could it not? It's difficult to imagine that his chairmanship will carry on for any real length of time, or that it won't end badly.

Chatter has it that CoB economist Sami Dakhliya has already physically moved across to the Liberal Arts Building, even though the CoB economists aren't scheduled to join the CoAL until 1-July-2010. Presumably, this has everything to do with Dakhliya's plan to be in Europe during spring 2010, bouncing back and forth between online/study abroad duties for USM and perhaps teaching for other, European universities. Who else is guessing that by heading over early Dakhliya got the best space? Classic Dakhliya.

There is still plenty of chatter about the CoB's floundering MIS program. The university's decision to suspend MIS admissions surely spells doom for the program. This same decision continues to fuel chatter about MISers transitioning over to FINREBL for 2010-11. Keep in mind that James Magruder and Chang-Tseh Hsieh have training in economics and finance. That could leave Barry Cumbie, Dale Lunsford and Kuo Lane Chen out in the cold. Some chatter has Lunsford and Chen being shown the door, with Cumbie sticking on as the CoB's lone MIS faculty for the future.

GH Chatter is a series at USMNEWS that provides a glimpse at what CoB students, and sometimes CoB faculty, are discussing throughout the corridors of Joseph Greene Hall and beyond.