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Subject: To Dean Smith Re: Following Up

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Greetings, Judi -

I followed up today with Stephanie White, who has officially succeeded Ellen Carpenter as the Chair of the Undergraduate Interdepartmental Program for Neuroscience. We had an exhilarating conversation over lunch -

I learned there was synergy among multiple faculty members in the Biology Dept, Communication Studies Dept, and Psychology Dept of Letters & Sciences as well as the Otolaryngology Dept of the Medical School re: developing the Auditory Neurobiology of Music, Speech & Voice Perception lecture course for undergraduate and graduate students outlined in the Course Development Proposal you inspired this Spring (similar to the combined undergrad/graduate course I taught at Harvard via the Biology Dept). Stephanie agreed that a potential fourth course could be easily added to the Proposal by offering over two consecutive Quarters the full Semester version of the Music, Mind & Brain seminar I taught at Harvard College - I truncated the Harvard course to fit into one Quarter at UCLA in 2010, thereby eliminating and condensing seminars on Pitch, Loudness & Dynamics, Harmony, Timbre, Singing, Panning & Mixing (Spatial Localization), Development, Evolution, and Genetics. (Perhaps that might replace the Freshman Cluster Seminar on Neuroscience & the Arts in our original proposal, at least until that opportunity opens up again this year or next.)

Stephanie echoed your encouragement to meet with Greg Miller and Barbara Knowlton in Psychology as well as Tom Carmichael, the new Neurology Chair at the Medical School (who lectures in her undergraduate course) in an effort to curry support from multiple departments, interdepartmental programs, and schools that might be sufficient to bring your idea for an adjunct professorship to fruition. I'm meeting with Greg and Barbara next Wed and with Tom on Thurs of the following week, then I will loop back with Stephanie when she returns from vacation in early August. She also encouraged me to take up former Provost Dan Neuman on his longstanding offer to introduce me to Dean Sork over lunch.

Thank you again wholeheartedly, Judi, for your interest and wealth of ideas. And I am so grateful to Stephanie for her encouragement and support - and for agreeing to guest-professor a Music Mind & Brain seminar on birdsong and the evolution of communication this coming year!

Yours,
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