

# AAUP News Briefs

## **Northwestern Course Banned**

Northwestern University officials, in reaction to the controversy over an extracurricular event connected to a Human Sexuality course taught by psychology professor Michael Bailey (see the Spring 2011 *Illinois Academe*), have decided to ban the course from being taught in the 2011-12 academic year, and may seek to move it to another department in order to prevent Bailey from teaching it.

## **College of DuPage Removes Newspaper Adviser**

The College of DuPage continues its dubious record of silencing free speech and academic freedom. The Courier newspaper at COD reports that journalism professor Cathy Stablein, who has been the adviser to the Courier since 1987, has been removed from her position effective June 1. The administration claims that it removed Stablein from her job so that she could focus on restructuring the journalism program. Courier editors report that they have not been consulted about any of these decision.

In a letter to the administration, current editor-in-chief Nick Davison and former editor-in-chief Vikaas Shanker praised Stablein's work in helping the Courier consistently win journalism awards as the leading community college newspaper in the state of Illinois. They also praise her for never censoring the newspaper and allowing the voice of students to be heard.

## **U of I Email Policy Withdrawn**

A proposed University of Illinois email policy was withdrawn in September after it was condemned by the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education and the AAUP in a joint letter pointing out numerous problems, such as a ban on the use of non-university email accounts.