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Dean's Office Digest
April 23, 2018

I am delighted to announce that the Office of the Dean of the College will add two individuals in new critical roles effective **July 1, 2018**. [Laura Giovanelli](#) will serve as our half-time Assistant Dean for Learning Spaces, and [Eric Stottlemeyer](#) will assume the role of Associate Dean for the Engaged Liberal Arts. Both positions will provide vital support for faculty and help ensure effective learning for our students. Laura brings to this new post a deep passion for creating learning environments that facilitate excellent pedagogy. She has been a highly effective advocate for the College as our representative on the university-wide Learning Spaces Committee. In her new role, she will coordinate classroom, office, and academic building renovations, allocations, and planning efforts; partner with [Information Systems](#) and Facilities on all learning space-related initiatives; and represent the College on all space-related university-wide committees. Eric brings to his new post invaluable leadership experience as Director of the interdisciplinary [Environmental Program](#). He is also dedicated to exemplary experiential teaching as evidenced in his summer course, [Ethics of Wilderness: Global Sustainability, Wilderness, and the Anthropocene](#), which includes two weeks of experiential learning in the backcountry of Alaska. The duties of the Associate Dean for Engaged Liberal Arts will include developing curricular initiatives, facilitating academic engagement with the broader community, supporting interdisciplinary programs and directors, acting as liaison with the [Teaching and Learning Collaborative](#), and developing new summer school programming. Please join me in congratulating these two accomplished faculty members in these important new posts!



From the Dean's Office

ADVISING WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE



To provide effective advising, the [Office of Academic Advising](#) offers a series of workshops between April and August. The roster of workshops for 2018 can be found [here](#). Faculty members are encouraged to attend a workshop to review or enhance their knowledge of student resources on campus, [FERPA](#), special student interests and needs, and other issues.

NAVIGATING THE UNSEEN CAMPUS MAP

Thursday, May 3, 2018, 4:00 - 5:30 pm,
Office of Personal and Career Development, Reynolda Hall 230

Interested in connecting with colleagues for an informal discussion about adapting to culture at WFU? Please join the [Office of the Dean of the College](#) and the [Mentoring Resource Center](#) for refreshments. Come spend time with colleagues and discuss personal and professional transitions and goals. While it is not mandatory to RSVP, we would appreciate having an estimate of attendees. Please contact [Leigh Anne Wray](#) for more information or register [here](#).



NOMINATIONS FOR ADVISING AWARD

Deadline for nominations: Tuesday, May 15, 2018

The [Award for Excellence in Academic Advising](#) is presented annually to a faculty or staff member who has demonstrated commitment to and excellence in advising, especially at the lower-division level. To nominate an individual, please submit a brief letter (no more than one page) that addresses the nominee's history of advising with undergraduate students and ways the nominee has demonstrated excellence in an advising role. Email nominations to [Christy Buchanan](#). Click [here](#) for a list of past winners.

SUMMER SCHOOL ONLINE REGISTRATION

Deadline for online registration: Thursday, May 31, 2018

Please remind your students that summer registration is available in [WIN](#) until **Thursday, May 31, 2018**. They can still register for Session II after that date by contacting the Summer School Office at summer@wfu.edu or 336-758-2330. Faculty should also review their summer enrollments to confirm summer plans. Please contact [Anna Henley](#) with questions about low-enrolled courses or increasing enrollments for courses that are closed.



INNOVATIVE TEACHING AWARD

The recipients of the [Innovative Teaching Award](#) were recognized at a reception in the [Teaching and Learning Collaborative](#) Faculty Lounge of ZSR Library on Tuesday, April 17, 2018. This award recognizes faculty who have redesigned their courses or introduced new courses with innovative, research-based approaches to teaching and used new methods and/or technologies to improve student learning. The 2018 winners are:

- [Hana Brown](#) (Sociology)
- [Christy Buchanan](#) and the FYE 101 Team ([Office of the Dean of the College](#))
- [T.H.M. Gellar-Goad](#) and [Amy Lather](#) ([Classical Languages](#))
- [Barbara R. Lentz](#) (School of Law)
- [Yasuko Takata Rallings](#) ([East Asian Languages and Cultures](#))
- [Qiaona Yu](#) ([East Asian Languages and Cultures](#))



From Around the College



THEATRE AND DANCE FACULTY EARN NEA GRANT

[Cynthia Gendrich](#) and [Christina Soriano](#) ([Dance and Theatre](#)), have received a [National Endowment for the Arts](#) grant as well as a [New England Foundation for the Arts](#) grant for a dance project involving WFU's custodial and landscaping staff. They will work with [Forklift Danceworks](#), which was created by WFU alum [Allison Orr](#) (1993). [John Shenette](#), Associate Vice President for Facilities and Campus Services, and [IPLACe](#) have been highly involved in this grant. The performance will be held in October of 2019.



GLOBAL AWAY PROGRAMS

Spring 2019

Vienna: [Molly Knight](#) ([German and Russian](#))



Summer 2019

Venice: [Sherri Lawson Clark](#) ([Anthropology](#)) Summer Session I

London: [Adam Friedman](#) ([Education](#)) Summer Session II

Wake Washington

Fall 2019: [Abdessadek Lachgar](#) ([Chemistry](#))

Spring 2020: [Katy Harriger](#) ([Politics and International Affairs](#))



GLOBAL HEALTH RESEARCH AND EDUCATION TALK

Monday, April 23, 2018, 5:00 pm, ZSR Library Auditorium



[Louise Penner](#), Associate Professor of [English](#) at the University of Massachusetts Boston, will give a talk entitled "Why Narrative Matters in Global Health Research and Education." Her lecture draws from examinations of literary texts, narrative theory, and qualitative data to argue for the centrality of the study of narrative to the field of global

health. [Aimee Mepham](#) will moderate a Q&A afterward. This talk is sponsored by the [Center for Bioethics, Health & Society](#), the [Humanities Institute](#), with support made

possible in part by a major grant from the [National Endowment for the Humanities](#), and the WFU [Department of English](#).

AGING RE-IMAGINED READING GROUPS

Tuesday, April 24, 2018, 5:00 pm, Reynolda Hall 304

[Aging Re-Imagined](#) and WFU's [Humanities Institute](#) is sponsoring a reading group to discuss the work of [Ashton Applewhite](#), one of the keynote speakers at the [Aging Re-Imagined Symposium 2.0: Meaning, Mind, Mobility, Mortality](#), which will be held



Thursday, May 3 and Friday, May 4, 2018 at the Bridger Field House. [Mary DeShazer](#), Professor Emeritus of [English](#) and [Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies](#), will facilitate the reading group on Applewhite's [This Chair Rocks: A Manifesto Against Ageism](#). Click [here](#) to register for the reading group.



FATHERS, SONS, AND SIMILES IN HOMER ODYSSEY 16

Wednesday, April 25, 2018, 3:30 pm, ZSR Library 204

[Deborah Beck](#), Associate Professor of [Classics](#) at the University of Texas, will lead a proculloquium entitled [Fathers, Sons, and Similes in Homer Odyssey 16](#). This event is sponsored by WFU's [Department of Classical Languages](#).

TEACHING AND LEARNING COLLABORATIVE EVENTS

Wednesday, April 25, 2018, 3:30 - 4:45 pm, ZSR Library 665

[Anita McCauley](#) and [Kristi Verbeke](#) ([Teaching and Learning Collaborative](#)) will speak on "[Re-energize Your Last Day: Activities to Spark Connection and Reflection](#)."

Thursday, May 24, 2018, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm; Friday, August 17, 2018, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, ZSR Library 665

[The Writing Center](#) will lead a workshop entitled "[Supporting Students' Writing in Your First Year Seminar](#)" in May and August.



SPRING FACULTY SEMINAR SYMPOSIUM

Thursday, May 3, 2018, 2:00 pm, DeTamble Auditorium



The [Humanities Institute](#) invites faculty to attend its [annual spring faculty seminar symposium](#) to hear colleagues reflect on the value of cross-disciplinary research on a small campus, followed by a lecture and discussion by [Chad Wellmon](#), Associate Professor in the [Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures](#) at the University of Virginia. He is regarded as a leading thinker on the history of the modern university and liberal arts curricula. A reception will follow in the first-floor lobby of Tribble Hall.

"THEY WELCOMED US" EXHIBIT

**Wednesday, May 9, 2018, 6:30 - 8:00 pm,
Forsyth County Public Library, Central Branch**



Faculty, staff, and the public are invited to attend the opening program for a student-curated exhibit entitled "[They Welcomed Us](#)" that illumates refugee resettlement in the Triad. This event is created in partnership with [World Relief](#) and sponsored by the [Office of the Dean of the College](#) through the [Mellon Foundation Grant](#). Hors d'oeuvres from around the world will be served.

ACC SMITHSONIAN CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION FESTIVAL

Deadline for applications: Friday, May 11, 2018

WFU is seeking projects for the second [ACCelerate: ACC Smithsonian Creativity and Innovation Festival](#) to be held in Washington, D.C. on **Thursday, April 5, 2019 - Saturday, April 7, 2019** (Dates are tentative). Exciting transdisciplinary projects from faculty, student, and community teams to represent WFU at the [Smithsonian National Museum of American History](#) are highly encouraged. Deadlines and submission information can be found [here](#). For more information, contact [Tim Pyatt](#) and [Andrea Ellis](#).

LEADING STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS AVAILABLE



Deadline for applications: Friday, May 25, 2018

Any faculty members interested in opportunities to direct a summer course for EuroTour or in [Barcelona, Spain](#), during Summer 2019 should click this [link](#) for more information.

TLC FACULTY LIAISON PROGRAM

Deadline for applications: Monday, May 28, 2018

The [Teaching and Learning Collaborative](#) is accepting applications for its [faculty liaison program](#) for the 2018-19 academic year. Faculty liaisons provide targeted faculty and departmental support across the College by assisting TLC staff in creating and promoting teaching-related programming for their specific division. One liaison will be selected for each division and will receive a \$1,000 stipend (\$500 per semester). Liaisons should be full-time faculty.



HUMANITIES INSTITUTE CALL FOR PROPOSALS



The Humanities Institute is calling for [proposals](#) for scholarly and co-curricular projects for the 2018-2019 academic year. Current CFPs and programming information are available year-round on the Humanities Institute [website](#) under [Faculty Resources](#) and [Proposals and Forms](#). Please visit the website for more information or contact Humanities Institute Director [Dean Franco](#).

CAMPUS NETWORK UPGRADE

[Information Systems](#) will upgrade the campus network after the Spring 2018 exam period. The focus of the network improvement is in academic and administrative buildings, upgrading 1,977 wireless access points spread across 60 buildings. In addition, 268 Cisco access layer switches found in 42 buildings will be modified. The upgrade of the wireless access points will cause minimal disruption, perhaps for 5 minutes. The upgrade of the

switches will require a scheduled date and time (typically 8 am - 12:00 pm) during which network connectivity in the scheduled building will be unavailable. [Jason Helsabeck](#) will contact department chairs and possibly other department staff to schedule a date/time of the access layer upgrades. IS is striving to minimize disruption with this upgrade.



Student Accomplishments

SAVANNAH BABER IS WFU'S FIRST MORRIS UDALL WINNER



Congratulations to junior Savannah Baber, the first WFU recipient of the [Morris Udall Scholarship](#), which honors exceptional Native American leaders at American colleges whose ambition includes a career in tribal affairs. Baber, a double major in [Politics and International Affairs](#) and [English](#), was recognized under the category of Tribal Public Policy. She will use her grant towards law school, with the goal of advocating on behalf of tribal land and environmental stewardship.

KATRINA BARTH RECEIVES NSF FELLOWSHIP

Senior [Katrina Barth](#), a [Biophysics](#) major, has received a graduate fellowship from the [National Science Foundation](#). The grant will cover Barth's graduate school tuition and other expenses. She plans to pursue a Ph.D. in biomedical engineering. [Oana Jurchescu](#), Associate Professor of Physics, has served as Barth's faculty mentor. Congratulations, Katrina.



DYLAN KING NAMED BARRY GOLDWATER SCHOLAR



Sophomore [Dylan King](#), a double major in [Mathematics and Statistics](#) and [Computer Science](#), has been named a [Barry S. Goldwater Scholar](#). He was selected as one of 211 national recipients of the scholarships for the 2018-19 academic year. His scholarship will cover the cost of tuition and other expenses up to a maximum of \$7,500 per year. Congratulations, Dylan.

TECH TIP: USING MICROSOFT'S NEW TIMELINE FEATURE

[David John](#), Interim Director of Academic and Instructional Technology
This tech tip comes from Instructional Technologist [Ching-Wan Yip](#).

Microsoft Windows 10's "[Spring Creators Update](#)" offers a new Timeline feature that many faculty and staff will find interesting. Visit this [site](#) to discover what Timeline can offer you.

For other tips and tutorials, visit the [Instructional Technology Group site](#) or contact your [instructional technologist](#).

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WordsAwake! - Friday, September 14, 2018 - Saturday, September 15, 2018

To share news or events with the College Faculty,
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