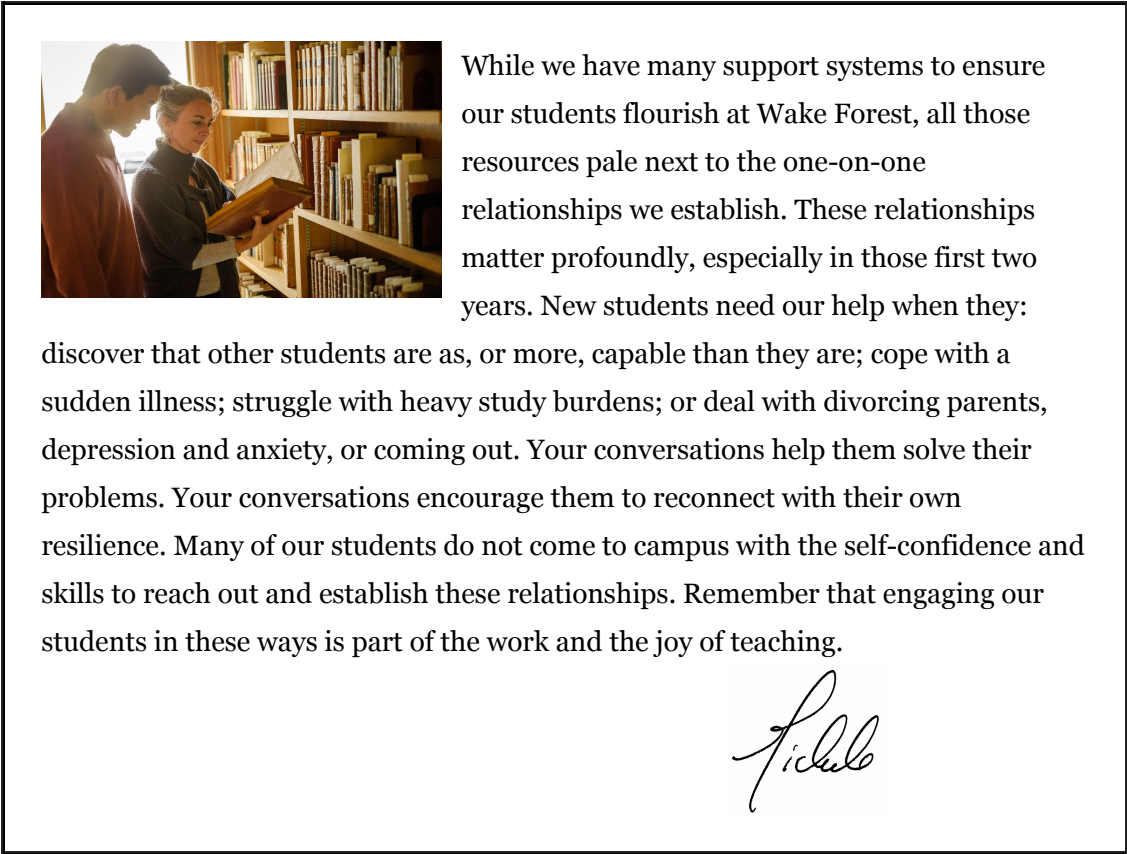




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discover that other students are as, or more, capable than they are; cope with a sudden illness; struggle with heavy study burdens; or deal with divorcing parents, depression and anxiety, or coming out. Your conversations help them solve their problems. Your conversations encourage them to reconnect with their own resilience. Many of our students do not come to campus with the self-confidence and skills to reach out and establish these relationships. Remember that engaging our students in these ways is part of the work and the joy of teaching.

CHARLOTTESVILLE "TEACH-INS"

Tuesday, September 5 and Wednesday, September 6, 2017, Tribble Hall

The Humanities Institute and the Pro Humanitate Institute will co-host “teach-ins” on September 5th and 6th. Faculty will select texts, some from the Charlottesville Syllabus, and lead small group discussions. These discussions are open to students, faculty, and staff at Wake Forest. Each teach-in will have a separate common reading chosen by the faculty leader. Each session will be capped at 15 people and we will add sections if needed. Find more information and registration [here](#).

NARRATIVE MEDICINE LUNCH & LEARN

Friday, September 8, 2017, 12:15 - 1:15 pm,

WF Biotech Place, Room 153B

The Humanities Institute's Story, Health, and Healing initiative presents Narrative Medicine Lunch & Learn, a monthly, informal workshop group to introduce any interested WFU students, faculty, and staff to the principles of narrative medicine. Workshops focus on close reading and reflective writing. Lunch will be provided. Read more and register [here](#).



HUMANITIES INSTITUTE RECEPTION FOR NEW FACULTY

Friday, September 8, 2017, 4:00 - 5:30 pm, 301 Reynolda Hall

Please join the Wake Forest University Humanities Institute for refreshments and a chance to mingle, celebrate the new semester, welcome new faculty to the university, and learn how the HI can support you and your work. Please contact [Aimee Mephram](#), Assistant Director of the Humanities Institute, with any questions.

BLACK-JEWISH RELATIONS & WHY IT MATTERS

Sunday, September 10, 2017, 2:00 pm, Kulynych Auditorium

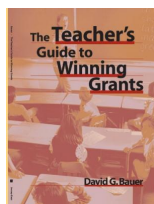
An expert on Jewish – African-American relations, Professor Cheryl Greenberg is the Paul E. Raether Distinguished Professor of History at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut. Following Professor Greenberg's talk, please join us for a reception to celebrate the new Program in Jewish Studies at Wake Forest University. See the full flyer [here](#).



COLLEGE FACULTY MEETING NEXT WEEK

Monday, September 11, 2017, 3:30 pm, Pugh Auditorium

We encourage you to invite a junior faculty member to join you for this first faculty meeting of the new academic year on September 11 at 3:30 pm in Pugh Auditorium. In addition to the annual reports from faculty committees, the agenda includes two motions from the Committee on Academic Affairs: one regarding the policy allowing students to drop a class without a penalty and one to change the bylaws to add the University Registrar as a member of CAA. We will also hear from the Committee on Information Technology and an update from the Best Practices Curriculum Review Task Force. The faculty meeting agenda and appendices can be found [here](#).



SEMINAR ON WINNING FEDERAL GRANTS

Friday, September 15, 2017, 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs is hosting a Winning Federal Grants Seminar. Interested faculty can sign up [here](#).

LOCALITY, GENRE, AND MUSLIM BELONGING IN SOUTH ASIA

September 15 - 16, 2017, 9:30 am - 5:00 pm, Reynolda House

This two-day international workshop brings together scholars from various disciplinary background to reflect on the issue of Muslim identity in South Asia. Moving beyond the limited framework of Nation and Community, this workshop seeks to examine the salience of local histories and localized contemporary experiences in the formation of Muslim identities and politics primarily in India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka. Concomitantly, we are interested in parsing their intersections with the larger historical narrative in South Asia. As the year 2017 marks the 70th anniversary of India's independence and partition, the comparative and transdisciplinary framework of this workshop hopes to build new dialogues across borders on shared and divergent trajectories of Muslims in South Asia. Read the full description [here](#).



UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH DAY

Student Project Registration Deadline: Wednesday, September 19, 2017

All faculty are asked to share this information with undergraduate students they mentored during the summer or 2016-17 academic year: The URECA (Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities) Center is pleased to invite you and your mentored undergraduate students to participate in Undergraduate Research Day during Family Weekend, **Friday, October 27, 3:00 – 5:00 pm; ZSR Library**. We hope to capture as many mentored, fellowship, non-fellowship projects, as well as undergraduates from other universities who participated in research or creative projects at Wake Forest this summer.



Online registration and details regarding presentation types and support for poster printing are available [here](#). **Students will need to register their projects by Wednesday, September, 19, 2017.**

FORMAL LAUNCH OF SILK ROADS WINSTON-SALEM

Wednesday, September 20, 2017, 5:00 pm, Scales Fine Arts Center A102



The evening will begin with a reception featuring wine and cuisine inspired by the Silk Roads, followed by a lecture by Sharon Kinoshita at 6:30 pm. Dr. Kinoshita, Professor of Literature at UC Santa Cruz and co-director of UCSC Center for Mediterranean Studies, will lecture on "Marco Polo and the Global Middle Ages." This event is co-sponsored by the Department of History, Program in Medieval and Early Modern Studies, Humanities

Institute, Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures, and the Provost's Grant for Academic Excellence.

STUDENTS IN COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

Global AWAKEnings sends first year students abroad



Following their special orientation at Wake August 15 - 18, seventeen students from eleven states arrived in Copenhagen on August 19, 2017, for Wake's inaugural first-year abroad experience. The students are engaging in challenging hands-on learning opportunities, expert guest lectures, and faculty-led study tours across Europe to other Wake Forest study abroad locations to gain meaningful perspectives on both their academic studies and the world at large.



WAKE FOREST WELCOMES FIRST ENGINEERING CLASS



The inaugural cohort of about 50 engineering students (~40% women) is welcomed by the founding team of four engineering faculty (Dr. Elise Barrella – Assistant Professor, Dr. Elizabeth Boatman – Assistant Professor, Dr. Michael Gross – Associate Professor, Dr. Olga Pierrakos - Professor & Chair). Their new departmental home is Wake Downtown where they are taking EGR 111 (fall) and EGR 112 (spring). Grounded in the liberal arts, students will earn a BS in Engineering. The first graduating class will be May 2021.

WAKE WASHINGTON BEGINS SEMESTER

Wake Forest's newest academic experience began this fall in Washington D.C. [Wake Washington](#) allows students to study and intern in the Capital while taking courses taught by a Wake Forest faculty member. Internships are



available from a variety of disciplines such as Political Science and



International Affairs, Communication, Non-profits, NGOs and Policy. Wake Washington is led by Katy Harriger, Director and Professor in Politics & International Affairs and Jennifer Richwine ('93), Executive Director of the Washington Office. They recently attended a talk at the Decatur

House, Home of the White House Historical Association, where one of the Wake Forest students is interning.

UPDATE FROM WAKE DOWNTOWN

Happy first week of classes from downtown Winston-Salem! This semester we will host 50 classes and there are currently 532 students enrolled in those classes - significantly more than the 280 students in 18 classes last spring! Much of this increase is because we are using Wake Downtown as swing space while Salem Hall undergoes renovation. In addition to three sections of EGR111 and nearly all chemistry courses, classes taught are in Biology, Computer Science, Counseling, Dance, English, Entrepreneurship, and WGS/History.

Among the faculty and staff with offices and labs at Wake Downtown are five faculty and two staff who joined the university this summer. Twelve faculty and staff from Chemistry are in temporary space for this academic year as well.

CARING FOR STUDENTS AND ACADEMIC SUCCESS

At this start of a new semester, remember that a predictor of academic success for our newest students is knowing that faculty believe in and care



about them. Being accessible, and communicating your confidence and care about students as individuals - with their different stories, backgrounds, and talents - can truly make a difference. If you need support in caring for a student, the staff of the Office of Academic Advising are happy to help. You can easily use our Academic Alert (on advising.wfu.edu) to report concerns about attendance, poor performance on early quizzes or papers, or significant changes in appearance or behaviors. In addition, if a student (or anyone else) displays disruptive, troubling, or threatening behavior, please relay those concerns to Karen Bennett or Christy Buchanan, who represent the Dean's Office on the [CARE team](#).

NEW STUDENT ADVISING 2017: THANK YOU!



Many thanks to the 139 faculty and staff members who are advising our 1390 first-year and transfer students beginning with New Deac Week 2017. The 155 student advisers who aided them were energetic, knowledgeable, indispensable partners in advising as well as other New Deac Week programs. We are also grateful to the 39 faculty and staff who led 35 discussion groups with more than 400 total students for [Project Wake: Exploring Difference, Embracing Diversity](#).

TEACHING & LEARNING COLLABORATIVE

We hope you are having a great start to your fall 2017 semester! We are offering many September opportunities, including two faculty book discussion groups ([Teach Students How to Learn](#) and [Teaching the Silk Road](#)), the popular [New Faculty Teaching Community](#), our new [Choose Your Own Podcast Discussion series](#), [two new workshops on student writing and writing assignments](#), and a [webinar about the modern learner](#). Be sure to check out our [website home page](#) for dates, times and additional information, and to register for each event.

Faculty Accomplishments

ELLEN MILLER MAKES CUTTING EDGE FOSSIL DISCOVERY



[Professor Ellen Miller](#), a primatologist and paleoanthropologist in the Anthropology Department, is part of a team that discovered the most complete extinct-ape skull ever found.



The skull reveals what the last common

ancestor of all living apes and humans might have looked like. The 13-million-year-old infant skull, nicknamed “Alesi” by the discovery team, was unearthed in Kenya in 2014.

Their findings were published in the scientific journal, [Nature](#), on August 10, 2017. See also: [Scientific American](#), [Popular Science](#), [The Daily Mail](#) and listen to an [interview](#) with Ellen Miller by WFDD’s Keri Brown.

HISTORY FACULTY HONORED WITH EXTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS

[Robert Hellyer](#) will travel to Kyoto, Japan, sponsored by the International Research Center for Japanese Studies. His last five months will be sponsored by the Hakuho Foundation.



[Stephanie Koscak](#) is doing a 3-month fellowship with the Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, DC. She will then be a Visiting Scholar at the Yale Center for British Art, Yale University, New Haven, CT and a Visiting Research Fellow at the Center for the Humanities, Wesleyan

University, Middletown, CT.

[Qiong Zhang](#) made a research trip to Kyoto, Japan this summer on an international visiting research fellowship offered by the Institute for Research in Humanities at Kyoto University. She conducted research and scholarly exchange related to her second book project



on the global and intra-East Asian circulation of meteorological knowledge in the early modern era.

MUSIC FUNDING IN HONOR OF LOUIS GOLDSTEIN



The Deupree Family Foundation of Collinsville, Connecticut, has gifted the Department of Music \$2500. This contribution recognizes [Louis Goldstein's](#) teaching at the Summer Institute of Contemporary Piano Performance at the New England Conservatory as well as his recent contributions to a computer realization project of Dean Drummond's *Cloud Garden II*.

PHILOSOPHY FACULTY - LEADERS IN THEIR FIELD

[Adrian Bardon](#) is the current President of the [Philosophy of Time Society](#). The PTS collaborates with the [Centre for Time](#) in Australia and the [Center for Philosophy of Time](#) in Italy as part of the International Association for the Philosophy of Time (IAPT).



[Win-Chiat Lee](#) is the current President of the American Section of the [International Association of Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy](#).

The purpose of the Association is the cultivation and promotion of legal and social philosophy at both the national and the international level.

SUMMER IN THE FOREST

We are already looking ahead to [Summer in the Forest](#) 2018. Summer sessions provide students and faculty alike with unique opportunities to stay engaged in their academic mission while



providing them with increased scheduling flexibility. Wake Forest students, joined by visiting college students and exceptional pre-college students, can capitalize on summer session offerings to advance their studies in their majors or to explore areas of new interest. We are especially interested in providing opportunities for our Wake Forest students to be able to pursue divisional courses in the summer. If you haven't taught in the summer, please give it some thought, and don't hesitate to talk to your department chair and [Christa Colyer](#) (x.5063) or [Anna Henley](#) (x.2330) in the Dean's Office for more information. If you have taught in the summer, we hope you will consider doing so again, and give some thought to new and innovative classes that we might be able to assist you with. The formal call for Summer 2018 courses will follow next month – be sure to keep an eye out for it.

EUDAIMONIA INSTITUTE OPPORTUNITIES

“Rethinking Community,” October 19–21, 2017

Speakers, panels, and discussions under the themes of “Engage with Courage,” “Community Is,” and “Community Is?”

Nobel Laureate Muhammad Yunus

Wednesday, December 6, 2017, 5:00 pm, Wait Chapel

Yunus is a Bangladeshi social entrepreneur, banker, economist, and civil society leader who was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2006 for founding the Grameen Bank and pioneering the concepts of microcredit and microfinance.

Call for Grant Proposals

1. *Research support:* If you are working on a scholarly, research, or other project that might connect with the mission of EI (broadly conceived), we offer support for course buyout, publication expenses, data sets, travel, and other expense reimbursement.
2. *Leave support:* The EI can supplement Reynolds Leaves or other leaves to work on projects connected with EI’s mission.
3. *Travel support:* Once departmental travel funds are exhausted, the EI can defray further costs associated with attending professional conferences, symposia, or workshops to support your work.

To apply for, or inquire about, grants for any of these purposes, please go to our [website](#). All grant proposals are reviewed by Institute staff and the Faculty Advisory Board, and are open with respect to topic, discipline, perspective, and methodology.

The Eudaimonia Institute will be running searches for post-doctoral fellows who will conduct independent research and can also work within departments to teach courses or provide teaching or research assistance. If you or your department would be interested in such assistance, please let us know.

TECH TIP: SAKAI VERSION 11

From [David John](#), Interim Director of Academic and Instructional Technology

This tech tip comes from Instructional Technologist [Steven Wicker](#).

Wake Forest's learning management system, Sakai, was recently updated to version 11. New features include a more responsive user interface completely redesigned for mobile platforms such as your smartphone or tablet. A “next generation” gradebook has been redesigned to provide faster, easier grade-entry capabilities, with a new spreadsheet-style interface. (Note that the old grade book is still available. Now it is called Gradebook

Classic.) More details are available at [Features of Sakai 11](#).

WFU's Sakai now uses Google's authentication to log you into the system. If you are logged into a personal Gmail account, you will need to logout of that account before logging into Sakai. Note, Sakai is now also accessible through Google App Launcher when logged into your WFU email account. It can also be helpful to clear your browser's cache and/or history.

A parameter needed to pass information from the Course Reserves System to Sakai was omitted during the upgrade process. However, the Course Reserves service continues uninterrupted at zsr.wfu.edu/reserves. For further information, please see [Course Reserves Tool for Sakai - Help Sheet](#). Our hosting vendor is working to resolve the issue. For other tips and tutorials, visit the [Instructional Technology Group site](#) or contact your [instructional technologist](#).

Upcoming Deadlines

New Academic Initiatives - Phase 1 Proposals due October 1, 2017

Last Day to Drop Full Term Class - October 2, 2017

Faculty Development & Archie Funding - applications due Monday, October 2, 2017

Reid-Doyle Teaching Award - nominations due Friday, October 6, 2017

Mullen Student Scholarships - applications due Saturday, October 15, 2017

Mid-Term Grades Due - October 23, 2017, 12 noon

Pilot Research Grants - applications due Friday, October 27, 2017

Upcoming Events

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Black-Jewish Relations & Why it Matters - Sunday, September 10, 2:00 pm, Kulynych Auditorium

College Faculty Meeting - Monday, September 11, 3:30 pm, Pugh Auditorium

Assigning Argument versus Analysis: What Writing Research Reveals - Wednesday, September 13, 3:30-4:45 pm.

Winning Federal Grants Seminar - Friday, September 15, 2017, 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Locality, Genre, and Muslim Belonging in South Asia - September 15-16, 2017, 9:30 am - 5:00 pm, Reynolda House

Launch of Silk Roads - Wednesday, September 20, 2017, 5:00 pm, Scales, A102

She Kills Monsters - September 22 - October 1, 7:30 pm, 2:00 pm Sunday matinee

No More Essays! Rethinking What We Have Students Write in Our Courses - Wednesday, September 27, 3:30-4:45 pm.

#WakeDHis - Thursday, September 28, 2017, 3:00 - 4:00 pm, ZSR 477

Building a Dataset with HatiTrust - Wednesday, October 18, 2017, 3:30 - 4:30 pm, ZSR 477

Undergraduate Research Day - Friday, October 27, 2017, 3:00 - 5:00 pm, ZSR Library

Public Talk with Journalist Masha Gessen - Tuesday, November 7, 2017, 6:00 pm, Kulynych Auditorium

Building in Scalar: Teaching & Scholarship - Thursday, November 16, 2017, 3:30 pm, ZSR Wilson 6

Nobel Laureate Muhammad Yunus - Wednesday, December 6, 2017, 5:00 pm, Wait Chapel

To share news or events with the College Faculty,
contact [Leigh Anne Wray](#) in the Office of the Dean of the College.

Our next issue of the Dean's Office Digest will be September 18, 2017.

Submissions are due Tuesday, September 12, 2017, by 5:00 pm.