



WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY

Faculty Accomplishments Wake Forest College

Fall 2017



Wake Downtown



Wake Washington



Global AWAKEnings



Reynolda Campus

Wake Forest University unveiled several new locations in 2017, including [Wake Downtown](#), [Wake Washington](#), and a [Global AWAKEnings](#) program in Copenhagen, Denmark. At the same time, WFU has reshaped its Reynolda campus with renovations to several facilities, including Salem Hall and Reynolds Gymnasium.

Faculty Awards

DEBORAH BEST RECEIVES INTERNATIONAL AWARD



[Deborah Best](#), William L. Poteat Professor of Psychology, received the [Denmark-Reuder Award](#) by Division 52 of the American Psychological Association. The award honors outstanding international contributions to the psychology of women and gender.

KRISTEN BEAVERS LEADS WINNING PAPER

An original [manuscript](#) led by [Kristen Beavers](#), Assistant Professor of Health and Exercise Science, was presented in a winning paper symposium at the [Obesity Society Annual Scientific Meeting](#) on **Tuesday, October 31, 2017**. WFU-affiliated co-authors include [Anthony Marsh](#), [Jack Rejeski](#), and [Beverly Nesbit](#).



STEWART CARTER EARNS ORGANOLGY AWARD

[Stewart Carter](#), Professor of Music, received the Anthony Baines Award from the [Galpin Society](#) for lifelong contributions to the field of organology at a conference in Edinburgh, Scotland.

CHANCHAL DADLANI RECEIVES HISTORIANS AWARD

[Chanchal Dadlani](#), Assistant Professor of Art History, was presented with the [Society of Architectural Historians](#) 2017 SAH/Mellon Author Award for her work *From Stone to Paper: Architecture as History in Eighteenth-Century Mughal India*. The book will be published by Yale University Press in August 2018.

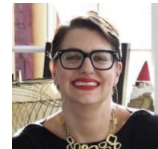


KEVIN FRAZIER EARNS LIGHTING AWARD

[Kevin Frazier](#), Assistant Professor of Theatre Design, won Outstanding Lighting Design in a Musical at the 13th Annual [Suzi Bass Awards](#), which celebrates the best of Atlanta theatre. Frazier won for his lighting in "The Bridges of Madison County" at the Aurora Theatre.

SUSAN HARLAN WINS HUMOR WRITING CONTEST

[Susan Harlan](#), Associate Professor of Literature, won first prize in the 2017 [Mark Twain House and Museum Royal Nonesuch Humor Writing Contest](#) for her series of literary humor pieces entitled "[Great House Therapy](#)."



ANGELA MAZARIS PRESENTED WITH LGBTQ AWARD



[Angela Mazaris](#), Founding Director of WFU's [LGBTQ Center](#) and a faculty member in the [Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies](#), received the [In Good Company Award](#) by the North Star LGBTQ Center in Winston-Salem. The award honors leaders in creating inclusive and welcoming spaces.

MARY PENDERGRAFT EARNS TEACHING AWARD

[Mary Pendergraft](#), Professor of Classical Languages and Chair of the Classical Languages Department, was one of three recipients of the Excellence in Teaching at the Collegiate Level Award from the [Society for Classical Languages](#). She was nominated by [Sinclair Bell](#), Class of 1995 and an Associate Professor of Art History at Northern Illinois University.





MARY LYNN REDMOND WINS TEACHING AWARD

[Mary Lynn Redmond](#), Professor of Education, received the Wilga Rivers Award for Leadership in Foreign Language Education from the [American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages](#). The ACTFL recognizes

outstanding contributions to the field of language education.

ROBIN SIMON WINS BEST ARTICLE

[Robin Simon](#), Professor of Sociology, was awarded best article in her field for her paper on “[Parenthood and Happiness](#)” in the American Journal of Sociology in November 2016. The award was announced at the [American Sociological Association](#) Family Section reception in Montréal.



CHRISTINA SORIANO RECEIVES EDUCATOR AWARD

[Christina Soriano](#), Director and Associate Professor of Dance, received the [Arts Educator Excellence Award](#) from the Arts Council of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County.

Faculty in the World



BEN COATES PUBLISHES IN WASHINGTON POST

[Ben Coates](#), Assistant Professor of History and Stroupe Faculty Fellow, published an op-ed on Congress, presidential authority, and economic warfare in [The Washington Post](#) on **Monday, July 31, 2017**.

SIMEON ILESANMI GIVES LECTURE IN NIGERIA

[Simeon Ilesanmi](#), Professor of Religion, gave the Convocation lecture at the [University of Ibadan](#) in Ibadan, Nigeria on **Wednesday, November 15, 2017**.



DAN LOCKLAIR'S SYMPHONY MAKES WORLD PREMIERE



[Dan Locklair](#), Professor of Music and Composer-in-Residence, had his [Symphony No. 2 "America"](#) make its world premiere at Lenoir-Rhyne University on **Saturday, October 7, 2017**. The symphony was presented by Maestro John Gordon Ross and the Western Piedmont Symphony.

ELLEN MILLER MAKES FOSSIL DISCOVERY

[Ellen Miller](#), Professor of Physical Anthropology, was part of a team that unearthed the most complete extinct ape skull ever found. The historic findings were published in the scientific journal, [Nature](#), on **Thursday, August 10, 2017**.



BARRY TRACHTENBERG TESTIFIES ON CAPITOL HILL



[Barry Trachtenberg](#), Presidential Chair of Jewish History, Director of the [Jewish Studies Program](#), and Professor of History, testified about anti-Semitism on college campuses on **Tuesday, November 7, 2017**, on Capitol Hill. He was invited to a hearing with the U.S. House Committee on the Judiciary by committee

chair Bob Goodlatte.

Faculty Funding

PATRICIA DOS SANTOS EARNS SCIENCE GRANT



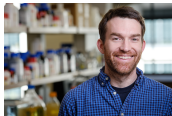
[Patricia Dos Santos](#), Associate Professor of Chemistry, received a grant from the [National Science Foundation](#) to fund research that helps scientists better understand life on earth and mentor students from other Triad-area colleges.

ERIC EKSTRAND RECEIVES TULSA ARTIST FELLOWSHIP

[Eric Ekstrand](#), Assistant Teaching Professor of Writing, has been awarded a [Tulsa Artist Fellowship](#) by the George Kaiser Family Foundation. As a TAF Fellow, Ekstrand intends to continue working on a second collection of poetry.



MATTHEW FUXJAGER EARNS NSF GRANT



[Matthew Fuxjager](#), Assistant Professor of Biology, was awarded a grant from the [National Science Foundation](#) for his work on *Neuroendocrine basis of gestural display evolution*.

MARY GOOD HONORED BY SPENCER FOUNDATION

[Mary Good](#), Assistant Professor of Anthropology, received a grant from the [Spencer Foundation](#) for her work on *Learning "Entrepreneurship" but Preserving "Tradition."* Her research focuses on youth, global modernity, and morality in Tonga.



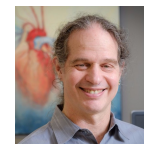
ROBERT HELLYER RECEIVES SPONSORSHIP



[Robert Hellyer](#), Associate Professor of History, traveled to Kyoto, Japan, sponsored by the [International Research Center for Japanese Studies](#), while on leave for the academic year. His last five months will be sponsored by the [Hakuho Foundation](#).

DANIEL KIM-SHAPIRO EARNS FUNDING FROM NIH

[Daniel Kim-Shapiro](#), Professor of Physics, earned funding for his proposal entitled "Storage Lesion in Banked Blood Due to Disruption of Nitric Oxide Homeostasis" from the [National Institutes of Health](#) and the [University of Pittsburgh](#).



STEPHANIE KOSCAK EARNS D.C. FELLOWSHIP

[Stephanie Koscak](#), Assistant Professor of History, spent the fall semester on a fellowship with the [Folger Shakespeare Library](#) in Washington, D.C. She will then be a



Visiting Scholar at Yale University and a Visiting Research Fellow at Wesleyan University.

STEPHEN MESSIER GETS THREE-YEAR FUNDING

[Stephen Messier](#), Professor and Director of the J.B Snow Biomechanics Laboratory, received a three-year funding award by the [National Institutes of Health](#) for his proposal entitled "Weight Loss and Exercise for Communities with Arthritis in North Carolina (WE-CAN)."



GLORIA MUDAY LEADS TEAM TO NSF GRANT

The [National Science Foundation](#) awarded a grant to the research team of Biology Professor [Gloria Muday](#), Computer Science Professors [David John](#) and [William Turkett](#), Mathematics Professor [Jim Norris](#), and Assistant Research Professor of Biology Hanya Chrispeels.

NATE PLAGEMAN EARNS NEH FELLOWSHIP

[Nate Plageman](#), Associate Professor of History, was awarded a fellowship from the [National Endowment for the Humanities](#) for his book project entitled *State Planning and Urban Life in Western Ghana, 1900–1970*.



JACK REJESKI RECEIVES GRANT FROM NIH, WFU

[Jack Rejeski](#), Thurman D. Kitchin Professor of Health and Exercise Science, was awarded a grant from the [National Institutes of Health](#) and [Wake Forest University Health Sciences](#) to study intervening on sedentary behavior to prevent weight regain in older adults.

JOANNA RUOCCO AWARDED YADDO RESIDENCY

[Joanna Ruocco](#), Assistant Professor of Creative Writing, will spend winter 2018 at [Yaddo](#), one of the nation's oldest artist colonies. She was awarded a Yaddo residency fellowship to work on a novel that is already in progress.



TIMO THONHAUSER AWARDED FELLOWSHIP



[Timo Thonhauser](#), Associate Professor of Physics, was elected as a 2107 society fellow by the [American Physical Society](#). The society's fellowship program recognizes members who have made exceptional contributions to the physics enterprise, including physics research and education.

TANYA ZANISH-BELCHER RECEIVES LIBRARY FUNDING

[Tanya Zanish-Belcher](#), Director of Special Collections and Archives in the [Z. Smith Reynolds Library](#), received funding for her proposal entitled "Documenting the Evangelical Movement in the United States: Digitizing Baptist State Convention of North Carolina Open-Reel Audiotapes, 1957-1980" from the [Council on Library and Information Resources](#).

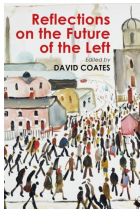




QIONG ZHANG GETS FUNDING FOR RESEARCH

[Qiong Zhang](#), Associate Professor of History, made a trip to Kyoto, Japan on a visiting research fellowship offered by the [Institute for Research in Humanities](#) at Kyoto University.

Latest Faculty Books

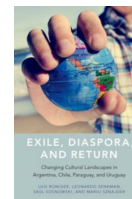


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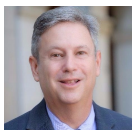
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Faculty Leadership

DAN COHEN NAMED WHITAKER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



[Dan Cohen](#), Professor of the Practice in Entrepreneurship, was named the John C. Whitaker, Jr. Executive Director of WFU's [Center for Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship](#).

SAM GLADDING ELECTED IAMFC PRESIDENT

[Sam Gladding](#), Professor of Counseling, was elected President of the [International Association of Marriage and Family Counselors](#). He will serve a two-year term from **Sunday, July 1, 2018 to Tuesday, June 30, 2020**.



ANA ILTIS ELECTED ASBH PRESIDENT

[Ana Iltis](#), Professor of Philosophy, was elected President of the [American Society for Bioethics and Humanities](#), the leading professional organization in bioethics and the medical humanities in the United States.

IAN TAPLIN NAMED TO WINE AND GRAPE GROWERS

COUNCIL

[Ian Taplin](#), Professor of Sociology, will serve a two-year term on the Vinifera Committee of the [North Carolina Wine and Grape Growers Council](#). He is the first academic and non-winery owner/manager/grape grower to be appointed to the committee. He was also awarded a grant to investigate the development of the state's wine industry.



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

