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## Dean's Office Digest September 10, 2018



In Julie Schumacher's new novel, *The Shakespeare Requirement*, literature professor Dennis Cassovan wryly observes about our world: "Out with considered nuance and argument; in with publicity stunts, competitive righteousness, and the thrill of rage." We as faculty in the College

work hard to provide all our students with an exceptional liberal arts education that cultivates intellectual inquiry, mutual respect, and reasoned debate despite a broader culture that privileges hype and division. This week Wake Forest is introducing its [Call to Conversation](#) program as a complement to the ways we as faculty help our students develop their values, ideals, and aspirations. Call to Conversation aims to increase empathy and our sense of community by encouraging more face-to-face engagement on meaningful topics. You will be receiving more information about the program across this week, and you will be welcomed to be a part of the effort if you wish by hosting, moderating, or encouraging these special conversations.

## From the Dean's Office



### MOVEMENTS AND MIGRATIONS

WFU will host [Movements and Migrations: A Conference on The Engaged Humanities](#) that will explore the implications and applications of the academic humanities in public contexts, with special emphasis on migration and population dislocation, on **Thursday, October 18 and Friday, October 19, 2018**. While admission is free, [registration](#) is encouraged before **Monday, October 1, 2018**. Students are invited to attend.

### FACULTY MENTORING IN THE FOREST

Opportunities are available for faculty members interested in building their network of colleagues and learning new skills and strategies to be more effective at WFU. Join the [Office of the Dean of the College](#) and the [Mentoring Resource Center](#) for faculty mentoring opportunities as outlined [here](#).



### READING THE CAMPUS MAP

**Tuesday, September 11, 2018, 4:00 - 5:30 pm, Reynolda 301**

All faculty are invited to join this facilitated conversation about the "unwritten rules" for success as a faculty member.



## NEW IDEAS SERIES

**Thursday, September 20, 2018, 3:00 pm, ZSR Auditorium**

The [Office of the Dean of the College](#) invites you to learn more about the new ideas and recent scholarship of faculty colleagues across the College. Please join us at 3:00 pm for refreshments; speakers will begin at 3:20 pm. This will be the first event in the [New Ideas Series](#) for 2018-19.

## DEGREEWORKS TRAINING SESSIONS

**Tuesday, September 25, 2018, 3:30 - 5:00 pm, Reynolda 301**

**Wednesday, September 26, 2018, 3:00 - 4:30 pm, Reynolda 301**

[DegreeWorks](#) has helpful features beyond a clear listing of requirements met. The [Office of Academic Advising](#) strongly encourages faculty members advising students at any level to spend some time learning about these features that can make advising more effective. [Margaret Cutler](#), Assistant Registrar, will host these training sessions. Please register for one of these sessions [here](#).



## UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH DAY



**Friday, September 28, 2018, 3:00 - 5:00 pm, ZSR Library**

The [URECA Center](#) and [Wake Forest College](#) will hold its annual [Undergraduate Research Day](#) during [Family Weekend](#). This exciting event is the culmination of mentored and independent projects carried out this past summer and during the previous academic year. Students will present their scholarly work in short talks and a poster session. All faculty are encouraged to come support our faculty/student research teams.

## REID-DOYLE PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

**Deadline for nominations: Friday, October 5, 2018**

Nominations are being accepted for the [Reid-Doyle Prize for Excellence in Teaching](#), which recognizes a College junior faculty member who holds the rank of Assistant Professor or who was promoted from Assistant to Associate Professor in the last academic year. Department chairs, program directors, or senior faculty (with chair approval) can submit nominations. Complete nomination information can be found [here](#).



## ONLINE COURSE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS FOR SUMMER 2019

**Deadline for proposals: Monday, October 15, 2018**



The [Office of Online Education](#) and the [Office of the Dean of the College](#) are pleased to announce a [grant program](#) intended to encourage development of high-quality online courses in support of the undergraduate mission. These course development grants provide a summer stipend for College or [ZSR Library](#) faculty to develop online undergraduate courses to be first delivered in Summer 2019. Visit the [Office of Online Education](#) for more information and to apply.

## ACADEMIC ADVISING ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CARING FOR STUDENTS AND ACADEMIC SUCCESS

A predictor of academic success for our newest students is knowing that faculty care about them. Being accessible can make a difference. The Office of Academic Advising is available for support. Faculty can use [Academic Alert](#) to report concerns about attendance, poor classroom performance, or significant changes in appearance or behavior. If a student displays disruptive, troubling, or threatening behavior, please relay those concerns to [Karen Bennett](#) or [Christy Buchanan](#).

### FALL IN THE FOREST

First-year students are participating in Fall in the Forest "check-ins," which are required over the first few weeks of class as part of extended orientation. The first check-in focuses

on bystander intervention methods for alcohol, mental health, or sexual assault. The OAA is grateful for its partnerships with the [Office of Wellbeing](#) and the [SAFE Office](#) for this program. The second check-in is the Academic Success Event that includes first-year students meeting with their student adviser and advising groups.



## STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH

The Office of Wellbeing and the [University Counseling Center](#) sponsored a webinar on the topic of student mental health. Click the following [link](#) to access the webinar.

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## REYNOLDS AND JUNIOR RESEARCH LEAVES FOR 2019-2020

**Deadline for applications: Sunday, November 1, 2018**



Applications for [Reynolds and Junior Research leaves](#) for the 2019-2020 academic year should be submitted by department chairs to [Anna Henley](#). Faculty proposing a leave should submit application packets to their department chair by **Monday, October 1, 2018**.

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## NEW FACULTY IN THE FOREST PROGRAM

The [New Faculty in the Forest](#) program is designed to help new faculty be more thoroughly acclimated to WFU. This year-long, optional program is a way to connect new faculty to different offices on campus through a series of monthly, interactive meetings and build a strong network of faculty colleagues. These events will be held in Reynolda Hall. If you have any questions, please contact [Karen McCormick](#) or [Tony Marsh](#).



## *From Around the College*



### ZSR DIGITAL WORKSHOPS

ZSR Library's [Digital Initiatives and Scholarly Communication](#) department has workshops scheduled for the fall to address such issues as using copyrighted content and preserving digital scholarship for long-term access. Click [here](#) for the full schedule.

## COPYRIGHT IN THE CLASSROOM

**Tuesday, September 11, 2018, 3:30 - 4:30 pm, ZSR 665**

There is a mistaken belief that it is acceptable for faculty and students to use copyrighted content in the classroom since it is protected as an educational use. Join us for a quick primer on the basics of copyright law and a deeper discussion about what you can and cannot do with copyrighted content in the classroom.

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## ZSR LIBRARY LECTURE SERIES WITH AL GURGANUS

**Wednesday, September 12, 2018, 4:00 pm, ZSR 625**

Al Gurganus, Professor Emeritus of [Modern Languages](#) at The Citadel, reads from his new biography, [Kurt Eisner: A Modern Life](#) on the 100th anniversary of the Jewish socialist intellectual's Bavarian Revolution and Republic. A reception will follow the talk. This event is free and open to the public and is co-sponsored by [Z. Smith Reynolds Library](#) and the [WFU Jewish Studies program](#).



## DOWNTOWN AMBASSADORS

**Deadline for applications: Friday, September 14, 2018**

Faculty are invited to recommend students to serve as Downtown Ambassadors for the current academic year. This volunteer position, modeled after the [ZSR Ambassadors](#) program, allows undergraduate students to assist with event planning and community outreach, lead prospective student tours, and offer feedback to Downtown administrators. Students from all majors/classes

are invited to apply. Check out the [Ambassador website](#) or contact [Clay Hamilton](#) for more information.

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## "ABOUT AMMONS" AND WORDSAWAKE3!

**Friday, September 14, 2018, Byrum Hall**

**Saturday, September 15, 2018, Benson Student Center**

WFU is hosting "[About Ammons](#)" that will celebrate the poetry of alumnus [A. R. Ammons](#) with readings of Ammons' poems and a talk by alumnus Robert West, editor of [The Complete Poems of A. R. Ammons](#). This event is free and part of a weekend that includes WordsAwake3! Four alumni – [Linda Carter Brinson](#), [Betsy Teter](#), [Jo DeYoung Thomas](#), and [Doug Waller](#) – will be inducted into the WFU Writers Hall of Fame.

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## TLC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Faculty are invited to stop by the Teaching and Learning Collaborative's new location on the sixth floor of the ZSR Library, where they can chat with TLC staff or simply relax in its faculty lounge. Faculty can learn more about what the TLC offers at its [website](#), and they are encouraged to sign up for the TLC's [new mailing list](#) to ensure they never miss an opportunity.



**Wednesday, September 19, 2018, 3:30 - 4:45 pm, ZSR 665**

[Laura Aull](#), Associate Professor of [English](#), will facilitate a workshop entitled "Incoming WFU 2018 Students: What They Know (and Don't Know) about Academic Reading and Writing." Register [here](#) for this workshop.

**Wednesday, October 3, 2018, 3:30 - 4:45 pm, ZSR 665**

[Anita McCauley](#), TLC Assistant Director for STEM Initiatives, will lead a workshop entitled "Small Teaching: Small Strategies = Big Impacts on Student Learning." Register [here](#) for this workshop.

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## GLOBAL AFFAIRS FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

**Deadline for applications: Friday, October 5, 2018**

Faculty interested in directing an undergraduate study away program at one of the WFU houses, the [Global AWAKEnings](#) program, or the [Wake Washington](#) program for the 2020-2021 academic year should click this [link](#) for more information. Faculty interested in funding to participate in [Salamanca](#) faculty development collaborative during the 2019-2020 academic year should click [this](#) link for more information.

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## EARLY CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR WOMEN

The Wake Forest School of Medicine's [Women in Medicine and Science](#) is calling for applications for the Early Career Development Program for Women, a professional development fellowship that begins in January 2019 and lasts six full days spread out over six months. The program is targeted toward early-career women faculty (Instructors and Assistant Professors) or advanced practice practitioners. Applications should be submitted electronically to [Natalie Barrett](#). Please contact [Cynthia Emory](#) for more information.



## ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG COALITION



The first six weeks of fall semester are a vulnerable time for harmful and underage college drinking and alcohol-related consequences. WFU's [Alcohol and Other Drug Coalition](#) is providing the [Faculty and Staff AOD Toolkit](#) and [key dates in Fall 2018](#) that indicate strategies faculty can utilize to reduce the likelihood of high-risk behavior. Email [here](#) to get more information or get involved in the AOD Coalition.

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## ALCOHOL USE ON CAMPUS WORKSHOP

**Wednesday October 10, 2018**



Please join the AOD Coalition for an upcoming workshop entitled "Alcohol Use on Campus: Why Faculty Should Care and What They Can Do." Registration information will be released soon.

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## SILK ROADS WINSTON-SALEM EVENTS

**Monday, October 15 - Friday, October 19, 2018**

The [Sacred Arts of Tibet Tour](#) will bring a week of events to WFU and Winston-Salem. The Scales Fine Arts Center, Wait Chapel, and the Museum of Anthropology will host events. Click [here](#) for the schedule of events.



**Tuesday, October 23, 2018, 5:30 - 7:00 pm, ZSR 404**

**Wednesday, October 24, 2018, 5:30 - 7:00 pm, ZSR 404**

Susan Whitfield of the [British Library](#) will give a talk on the British Library [Digital Dunhuang Project](#) on the first evening. She will discuss her book, [Silk, Slaves and Stupas: Material Culture along the Silk Road](#), the next day.

**Tuesday, November 6, 2018, 7:00 pm, Byrum Center**

[Latif Bolat](#), a Sufi Turkish musician and scholar, will perform a concert.



### ePORTFOLIO COMMUNITY OF INTEREST

Please consider joining a new informal [ePortfolio Community of Interest](#). Any faculty or staff member with interest in the use of ePortfolios for support of teaching, learning, assessment, or self-development and representation is welcome. The Community of Interest will have the opportunity to present periodically to the [Committee on Information Technology](#). If interested, add your name to the [contact list](#). The first meeting will be scheduled in consultation with those faculty and staff who have indicated interest.

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## DEACS DECIDE

Deacs Decide: Election 2018 is a new voting engagement effort to get WFU faculty, staff, and students more involved in the midterm elections. Click [here](#) for a list of upcoming Deacs Decide events.



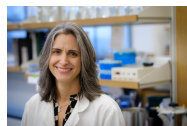
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## PEER TUTORING PROGRAM



The [Learning Assistance Center](#) is transitioning its Peer Tutoring Program to an online scheduling system. Students no longer request a tutor. They will now go online and book appointments with subject tutors based on their availability. All the information, as well as the center's schedule, will be available soon on this [website](#). Contact Tutor Coordinator [Laura Denlinger](#) with any questions.

## *Faculty Accomplishments*



### REBECCA ALEXANDER EARNS SCIENCE FUNDING

[Rebecca Alexander](#), Professor of [Chemistry](#), earned funding from the [National Science Foundation](#) for her proposal entitled "Role of tRNA base modifications in genetic code accuracy and bacterial fitness."

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### KEITH BONIN AWARDED FUNDING FROM NIH

[Keith Bonin](#), Professor of [Physics](#) and Associate Provost for Research and Scholarly Inquiry, earned funding from the the [National Institutes of Health](#) and Wake Forest University Health Sciences for his proposal entitled "Real-time Dopamine Signaling and Ethanol Drinking Behavior."





### REGINA CORDY RECEIVES NIH GRANT

[Regina Cordy](#), Assistant Professor of [Biology](#), received funding from the National Institutes of Health for her proposal entitled “A systems biology investigation of the interplay between gut microbes and blood metabolites in the development of malarial anemia.”

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### SETH HAYDEN NAMED NCDA'S PRESIDENT-ELECT

[Seth Hayden](#), Assistant Professor of [Counseling](#), has been named President-Elect of the [National Career Development Association](#). In 2020, he will serve as President of the organization that provides practitioners and educators with resources to inspire individuals to achieve their career and life goals.



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### OANA JURCHESCU RECEIVES GRANT FUNDING

[Oana Jurchescu](#), Associate Professor of [Physics](#), earned funding from the National Science Foundation for her proposal entitled “Engineering efficient contacts for organic electronic devices.”

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### TONY MARSH EARNS FUNDING FROM NIH

[Tony Marsh](#), Interim Associate Dean for Faculty and Associate Dean for Research, Scholarship, and Creativity and Professor of [Health and Exercise Science](#), received funding from the National Institutes of Health for his grant proposal entitled “Trial of Vitamin D Supplementation and Neuromuscular Function in Older Adults.”



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### STEVE MESSIER EARNS NIH GRANT



[Steve Messier](#), Professor of [Health and Exercise Science](#), received funding from the National Institutes of Health for his proposal entitled “Weight Loss and Exercise for Communities with Arthritis in North Carolina WE-CAN.”

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### JACK REJESKI RECEIVES FUNDING

[Jack Rejeski](#), Professor of [Health and Exercise Science](#), received funding from the National Institutes of Health and WFU Health Sciences for his proposals entitled “Intervening on sedentary behavior to prevent weight regain in older adults” and “Pepper Older Americans Independence Center and Coordinating Center: Clinical Research Core.”



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### NEW BOOK BY JOSE LUIS VENEGAS FEATURED IN LIST



[José Luis Venegas](#), Associate Professor of [Spanish and Italian](#), had his new book, [The Sublime South: Andalusia, Orientalism, and the Making of Modern Spain](#), included in the [Chronicle of Higher Education's Weekly Book List](#). His book was published in July.

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## Meet the New Teacher-Scholars

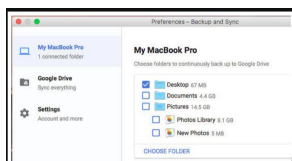


This is the largest number of incoming teacher-scholars to join our faculty. The Office of the Dean of the College invites you to learn more about our newest teacher-scholars in a [series of articles](#) about the new faculty in a dozen departments across the College.

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### TECH TIP: GOOGLE BACKUP AND SYNC

[Rick Matthews](#), Director of [Academic and Instructional Technology](#). This tech tip comes from [Jeff Muday](#) of the [Instructional Technology Group](#).



Google Backup and Sync is a tool from Google that replaces the desktop applications for both Google Drive and Google Photos. Google Backup and Sync can provide a secondary backup for your WFU laptop or provide a cloud backup for an Android-type cell phone and a home-office computer. Google Backup and Sync permanently archives your photographs and videos, as well as indexes them in Google Photos. It also allows you to access files from your computer with your cell phone. Find out more information at the following [link](#).

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

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