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Dean's Office Digest

Special Edition: First Day Remote Teaching

March 23, 2020



Today's the day we launch the Great Experiment.

I have faith in each of you. I know how hard you have been adapting, pivoting, and trying out new things. I know you will be successful because you are so committed to your students and their education. I also know you can't wait to get back to our face-to-face, in-person education. Neither can I.

Thank you for your patience, imagination, creativity, hard work, and sheer goodwill through these last few weeks, and in the weeks ahead. I know it means everything to our students.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fickel'.

Words of Wisdom



A MESSAGE OF GRATITUDE AND ENCOURAGEMENT FROM PRESIDENT HATCH

Dear Wake Forest faculty,

We find ourselves in a situation unlike anything we've experienced before. And in order to do what is healthy and safe for our students, community and country, you are facing a great challenge.

Since I can't share my gratitude in person, I am sending along **this short video**. May this convey a small measure of my great appreciation and offer you encouragement for the days ahead.

#MENTORFROMADISTANCE

IDENTIFY ONE PERSON IN YOUR NETWORK YOU HAVEN'T SPOKEN TO IN A WHILE. SEND THEM AN EMAIL OR GIVE THEM A CALL TO UPDATE ON YOUR LIFE AND WORK, AND ASK ABOUT THEIRS.



NATALIE ALMS ('20) WRITES GUEST COLUMN IN SALISBURY POST

Senior Natalie Alms wrote a guest column in the *Salisbury Post*, in which she has incredible insight into our current situation. Read the full article [here](#).

"Wake Forest's motto is Pro Humanitate, 'for humanity.' My university shut its doors to save lives. That decision aligns with its very core, however painful it may be for us seniors. What a final lesson – one of sacrifice for the greater good – that my class, along with everyone else, is learning now."

- Natalie Alms

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WHEN RECRUITING NEW FACULTY, WE ALWAYS TELL CANDIDATES THAT WAKE FOREST IS A SPECIAL PLACE THAT VALUES EXCELLENT ACADEMICS AND SCHOLARSHIP, YET ALSO HAS A FAMILY FEEL TO IT. THIS CRISIS HAS REALLY BROUGHT THIS TO THE FOREFRONT: WHEN THINGS ARE BAD, FAMILY ALWAYS STICKS TOGETHER, AND I'M OBSERVING THAT FIRST-HAND AMONG OUR FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENTS. THIS DOESN'T MEAN THINGS ARE EASY; ON THE CONTRARY, THEY WILL BE VERY TOUGH. BUT WE MUST TAKE HOPE IN THIS GREAT TRUTH: IN THIS WORLD, THERE ARE BAD AND DIFFICULT THINGS, BUT GOOD ALWAYS PREVAILS!

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- Sandeep Mazumder

Tools of the Remote Trade



WAKERSPACE OFFERS VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

The WakerSpace is offering VirtShops - virtual WakerSpace workshops! VirtShops will be hosted using Zoom and registration will continue through pdc.wfu.edu. Classes include [“Basic Graphics with Adobe Spark VirtShop”](#) or [“Introduction to 3D Print-ing VirtShop.”](#)

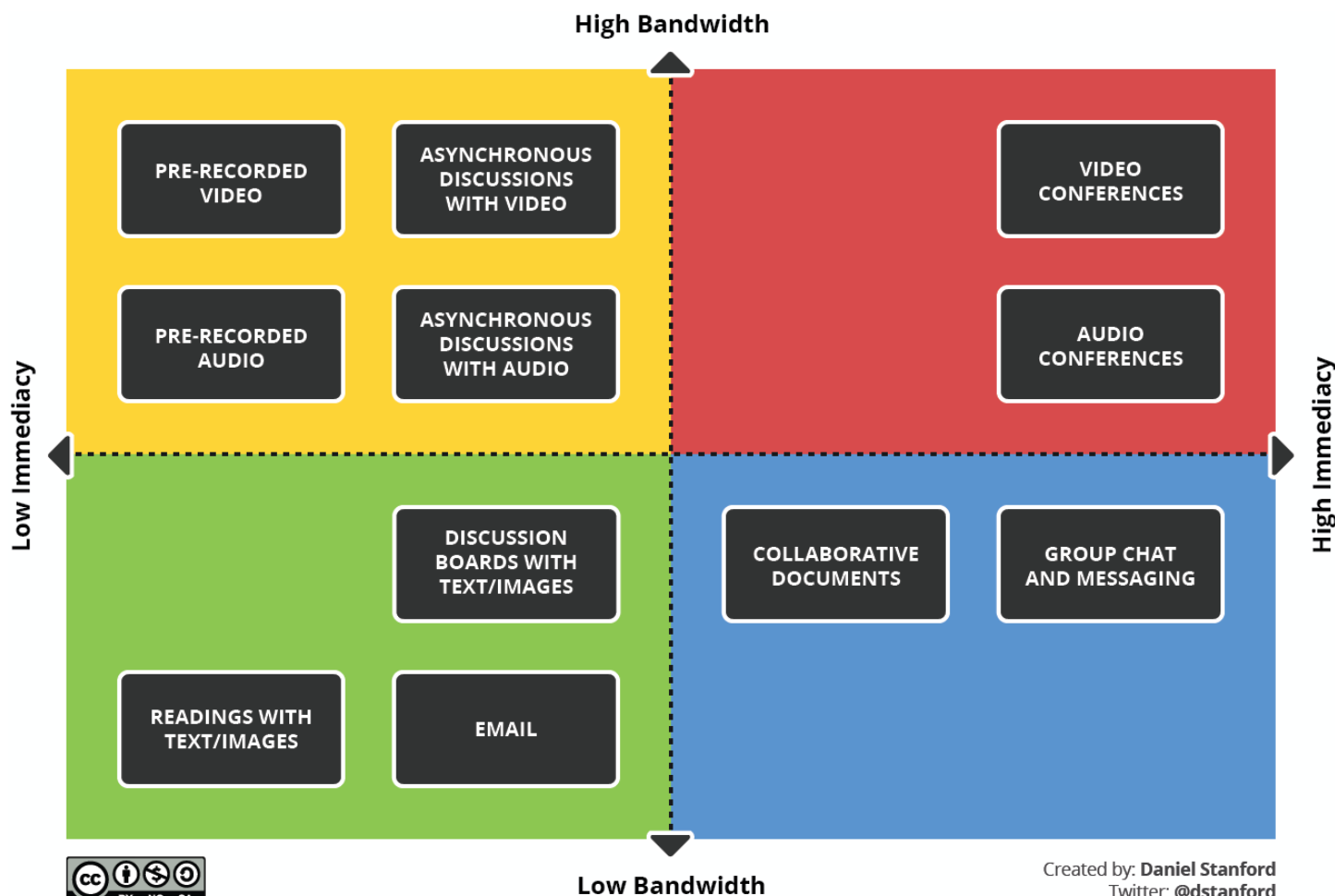
DON'T FORGET: KEEP TEACHING WEBSITE

Visit KeepTeaching.wfu.edu for resources and strategies for remote teaching.



THE CENTER FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF TEACHING RESOURCES

The CAT posts almost daily remote teaching resources and tips. You can [follow along here](#), or subscribe to have the updates sent to your email inbox each morning (the bandwidth graphic below was included on [the March 19 post, “Alternatives to Zoom: A Series”](#)). They will also continue offering consultations regarding teaching resources. [Sign up here](#).

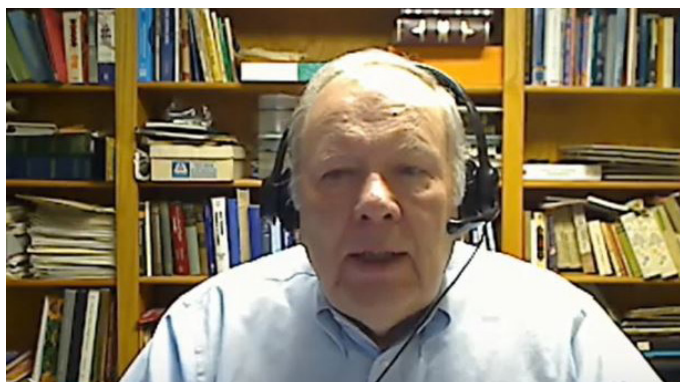


Tech Tips



TECH TIP
INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY GROUP

From Rick Matthews, Director of Academic and Instructional Technology. For other tips and tutorials, visit the [Instructional Technology Group site](#) or contact [your instructional technologist](#).



Tip 1: LIGHT YOUR FACE FOR YOUR VIDEO CONFERENCE

Tired of being a silhouette on Zoom or WebEx? Fix it in three minutes. [Learn how.](#)



Tip 2: FIVE THINGS I HAVE LEARNED ABOUT ZOOM

I just finished [the LinkedIn Learning tutorial on Zoom](#) and [a YouTube on breakout rooms](#). From those sources, ITG email exchanges, and posts on here on [itg.wfu.edu](#), I learned [five things that were not obviously a part of a video conference platform](#).

DON'T MISS OUT: RICK MATTHEWS TO GIVE VIRTUAL CONFERENCE FOR PHYSICS COLLOQUIUM

Wednesday, March 25, at 3 p.m., link below

Rick Matthews, Professor and Director of Academic and Instructional Technology and Department of Physics, will speak on "41 Years of Teaching and Technology" on Wednesday, March 25, at 3 p.m. [Click here for the video conference link](#). Note: This is an online Zoom presentation. If you have not used Zoom recently, click on the above link to join about 10 minutes early to be sure the necessary software installs itself.



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Department of Physics



Rick Matthews, PhD

Professor and Director of Academic and Instructional Technology
Department of Physics
Wake Forest University

"41 Years of Teaching and Technology"

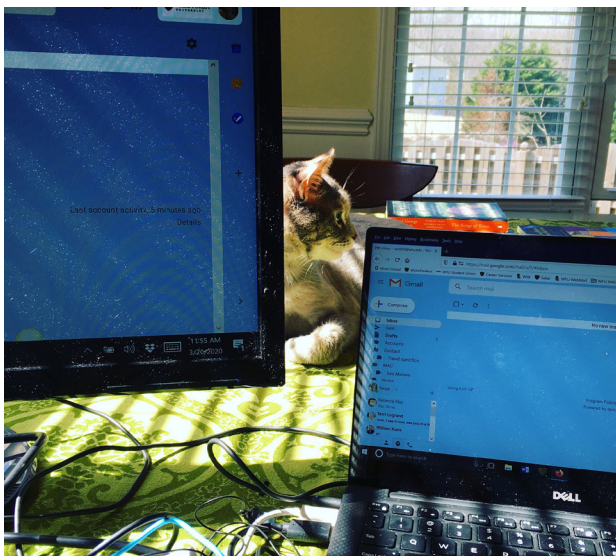
Rick shares his idiosyncratic perspective on changes in technology, changes in teaching, and how they influenced each other from the 1970s to the present. He began graduate school just as "minicomputers" became so small they could fit in a lab and so cheap they were less than a middle-class home. Within a few short years, computers would fit on a desktop and cost less than a used Buick. Then someone decided we should connect them all together!

Advances in understanding of how students learn were equally rapid, though not as universally recognized and deployed. The WFU Physics Department tapped into these ideas early and embraced the new pedagogies. Many of the most important pedagogical advances would not have been possible without the parallel advances in technology.

Rick will lead us through a retrospective of these changes and how they shaped his own experiences and practices.

Colloquium

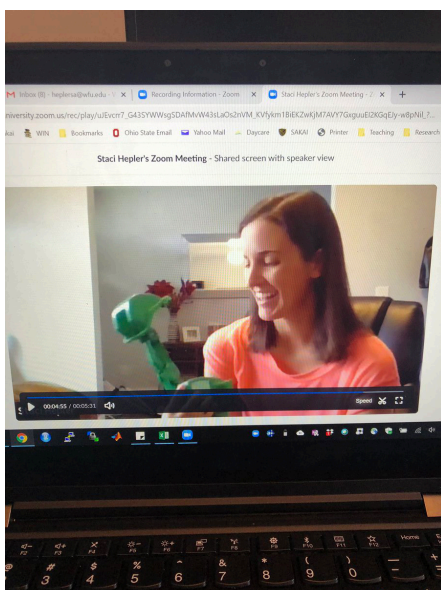
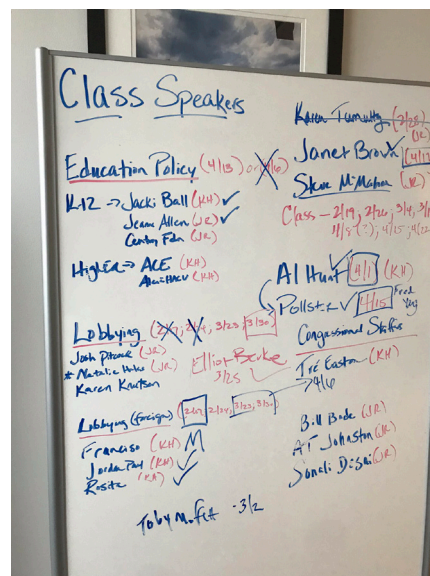
Office Views: #WakeFromHome



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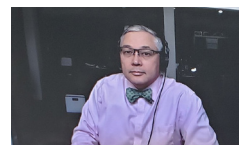
- Tanya
Zanish-Belcher

Practicing virtual class this
afternoon and this white board is
haunting me ... I can choose to be
sad that many of these things won't
happen as planned, or I can be
grateful that many of these speakers
are rallying to make it happen
online. - Jennifer Richwine



Decided my first zoom video
should be going over logis-
tics while introducing the
students to my son, who will
undoubtedly make appear-
ances in future videos. This
is him shoving an excavator
in my face during the video.
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#AcademicTwitter
#WorkFromHome

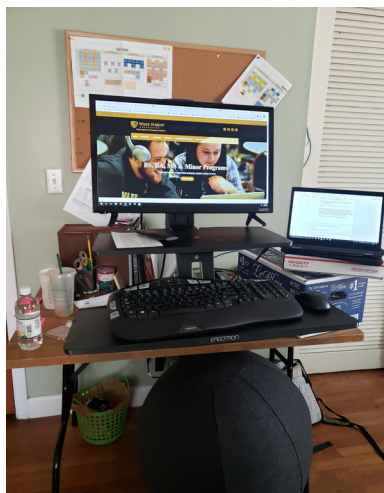
- Staci Hepler



Back in the online teaching saddle.
And, for those that asked or wondered,
yes I am wearing pants. #Proflife
#onlineeducation #onlinecourses
#wakefromhome
- David Yamane

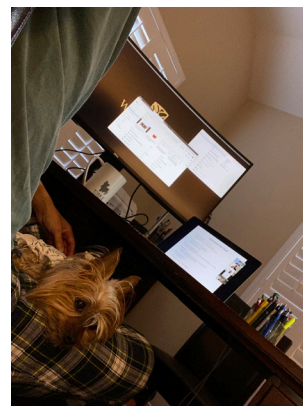
Sure miss our awesome CS
students! Here is my make shift
home office...how about yours?
What space are you creating
for productivity? #remotework
#onlineclasses #shareideas

- @WFUCompSci



This is what
my new office
looks like
behind the
scene.

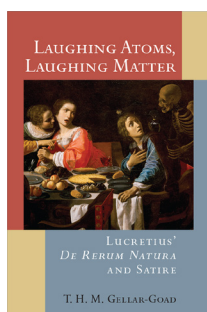
- Sam Cho



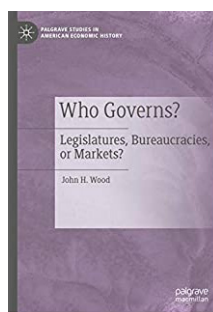
Faculty Celebrations

RECENT FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

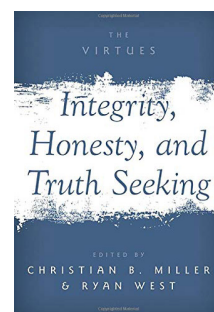
T. H. M. Gellar-Goad, Associate Professor of Classics, *Laughing Atoms, Laughing Matter: Lucretius' De Rerum Natura and Satire*. University of Michigan Press, 2020.



John H. Woods, Professor of Economics, *Who Governs?: Legislatures, Bureaucracies, or Markets?* Palgrave Macmillan, 2020.



Christian Miller, Professor of Philosophy, *The Virtues: Integrity, Honesty, and Truth Seeking*. Oxford University Press, 2020.



RECENT FACULTY RESEARCH AWARDS

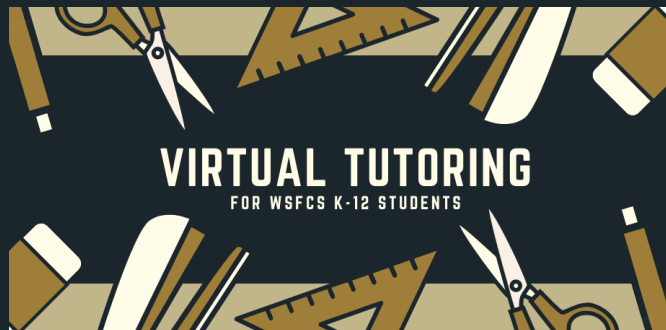
Steven Giles, Associate Professor of Communication, received funding for "A Coordinated Parent/Child Dyad Weight Loss Intervention: Dyad Plus" by the National Institutes of Health and Wake Forest University Health Sciences.

Sarah McDonald, Associate Professor of Biology, received funding for "Mapping Rotavirus Reassortment Restriction Determinants" by the National Institutes of Health.

Kyana Young, Assistant Professor of Engineering, received funding for "Technology Development and Demonstration of Grit Assisted Patch (GAP): Improvement and Field Test" by the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District and Marquette University.



OFFICE OF CIVIC AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT'S VIRTUAL TUTORING



The Virtual Tutoring Program is a Wake Forest University-led initiative to match WFU undergraduate and graduate students as tutors with Winston-Salem/Forsyth County (WSFCS) K-12 students during school closures caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Virtual tutors will meet with students weekly for a one-hour session, via a technology platform that works for both the tutor and student.

Creative Corner



VIEW REYNOLDA HOUSE'S COLLECTION ONLINE

Follow @CurateReynolda on social media channels as they highlight treasures from their collection online or view the collection online [here](#). This is Albert Bierstadt's "Sierra Nevada."

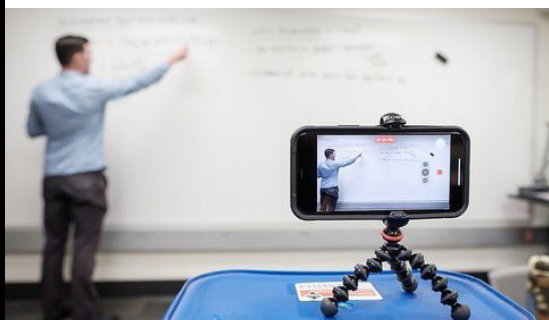
WAKE THE ARTS

Follow [@waketheart](#)s on Instagram for images from the WFU art collection to bring you peace and inspiration! "There are no rules. That is how art is born, how breakthroughs happen. Go against the rules or ignore the rules. That is what invention is about." — Helen Frankenthaler. "Untitled" acrylic painting on paper, 1963. Copyright Helen Frankenthaler/Artists Rights Society, New York.



MUST SEE: CHM 280 TRAILER

And the Academy Award for Best Remote Teaching Film Trailer goes to Associate Teaching Professor David Wren for his CHM 280 horror movie-inspired production. Well done, David! Check it out [here](#).



THEATRE & DANCE WAVE HELLO

The Department of Theatre & Dance sent a short greeting to students via [Youtube](#). What a wonderful way to "see" everyone at once!



WAKE FOREST SPORTS ON TWITTER

You can show support for our student-athletes virtually on Twitter. The [@DemonDeacons](#) twitter account is keeping track of all our athletics news.

Other accounts to keep up with include:

[Wake Women's Soccer](#) & [Wake Men's Soccer](#)
[Wake Women's Basketball](#) & [Wake Men's Basketball](#)
[Wake Baseball](#)
[Wake Women's Golf](#) & [Wake Men's Golf](#)
[Wake Football](#)
[Wake Volleyball](#)
[Wake Forest Women's Tennis](#) & [Wake Forest Men's Tennis](#)



Wake Forest Sports
 @DemonDeacons

Now more than ever, we are one team.

[#playinside](#) [#playfortheworld](#)

**IF YOU EVER DREAMED OF PLAYING
FOR MILLIONS AROUND THE WORLD,**

NOW IS YOUR CHANCE.

Play inside, play for the world.

