

DEAN'S OFFICE DIGEST

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From the Dean



Associate Dean for Learning Spaces Laura Giovanelli speaks with Dean Michele Gillespie outside Reynolda Hall on Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2020. Photo by Ken Bennett.

Each day seems to bring a cascade of information we could not have imagined less than 24 hours earlier. The terrible loss of life and the very real precariousness that COVID-19 has precipitated upon us all, but especially the most vulnerable among us, has been exacerbated by political divides that rock the very core of our republic, even as we fight to overturn systemic inequities and ensure social justice. It is all exhausting and can be deeply discouraging.

But what gives me hope and inspiration through it all is you. Each of you struggles against a mounting tide of profound worries so you can give your best selves to your students and your colleagues. Day in and day out, you fire student imaginations with the confidence, knowledge, and strategies to make a difference at whatever they set their minds to. I know this comes at a tremendous cost — to your time with family and friends, to your research and creativity, and to your wellbeing and sleep.

As we head into midterms, please know that your contributions are making an enormous difference in the lives of our students, who are staying healthy because they want to be here learning with you and who are overall happy according to the most recent campus life survey. Please remember that COVID-19 is not forever. And please recognize that it is ok and, in fact, a necessity to give yourself a break and get some respite.

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DEADLINES

DUE TODAY

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT AND ARCHIE AWARDS

The deadline for fall applications for Faculty Development and Archie Funding (excluding book development and summer research grants) is **today, Oct. 5**.

Please submit your application to **Leigh Anne Robinson**. Visit the **College funding website** for more information, and be sure to check out the committee's Helpful Hints before applying.

****Please note:** If you were unable to use your Faculty Development or Archie award in FY20 due to COVID-19 travel restrictions, you may be considered for priority funding in FY21. While we are still under a travel restriction, you may resubmit your application with an updated budget for virtual conference registration or if you anticipate your travel being possible before the Spring funding deadline of Feb. 12, 2021.

REYNOLDS AND JUNIOR RESEARCH LEAVES FOR AY21-22

Applications for AY21-22 Reynolds and Junior Research leaves are due **Monday, Nov. 2**. Applications should be submitted by department chairs to **Anna Henley** in the Dean's Office.

The time has come, again, to begin planning for future faculty hires and course coverage. Faculty position requests for permanent and temporary faculty will be accepted by the Associate Dean of Academic Planning **between Oct. 1 and Nov. 2**. Temporary position requests accepted during this window will be for hire for the Spring 2021 semester and the 2021-2022 academic year. Permanent position requests should be intended for search during the 2021-2022 year and hire for the 2022-2023 academic year. Please check **the Chairs & Directors Resources website** for our updated faculty position request form and remember to email all requests to **Anna Henley**.



REID-DOYLE TEACHING AWARD SUBMISSIONS

The Reid-Doyle Teaching Award submission deadline is **Friday, Oct. 9**.

Who is eligible: Wake Forest College Junior Faculty Members who hold the rank of Assistant Professor or who were promoted from Assistant to Associate Professor in the last academic year are eligible for this prestigious award.

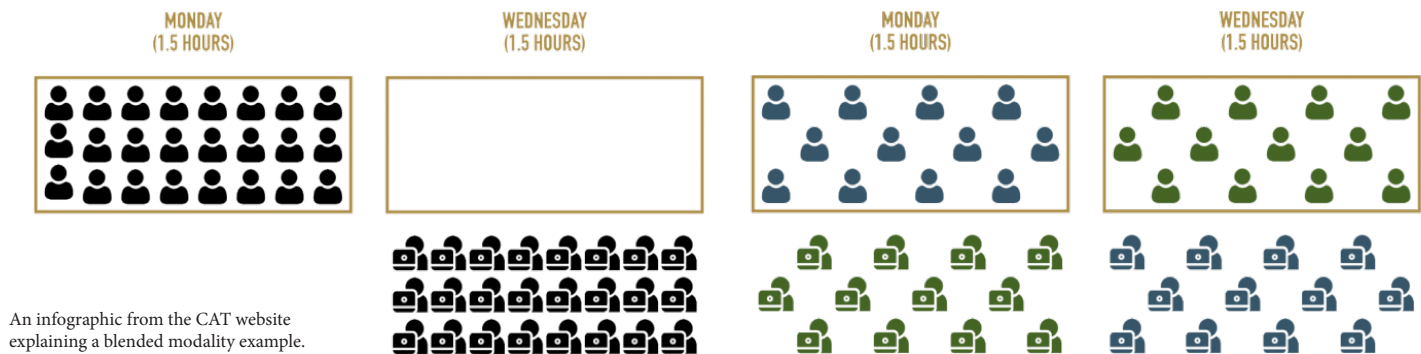
The primary criterion for selection is excellence in teaching. Nominations for the Reid-Doyle Teaching Award are submitted by chairs, program directors, or senior faculty (with chair approval) from within the nominee's department or program.

The Reid-Doyle Prize for Excellence in Teaching, along with a monetary award, will be presented at a ceremony at the end of the spring semester. Plan now to nominate a deserving faculty member from your department.

How to nominate: For complete nomination information, please refer to **this link on the College website**.

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SPRING SEMESTER PREP

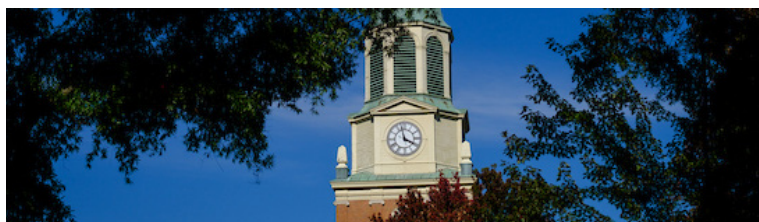


CAT SUPPORT FOR SPRING 2021 COURSE PLANNING

Over the next few weeks, instructors, chairs, and department admins in the College will be working together to build their spring course schedules. The CAT has designed [this website](#) to provide additional support to these groups as they make important pedagogical decisions about the upcoming semester. The website includes information on:

- Course Schedule Builder
- Course Planning Open Forums
- Spring Modalities
- Scheduling Options

You can [sign up for one-on-one consultations](#) with the CAT.



SPRING 2021 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

- **January 27:** Classes begin
- **February 10:** Last day to add full-term class
- **March 2:** No Classes
- **March 4:** Last day to drop full-term class
- **March 29:** Last day to drop with a grade of "W"
- **April 7:** No Classes
- **May 6:** Classes end
- **May 7, 9, 13:** Reading days
- **May 8, 10-12, 14-15:** Final Examinations
- **May 17:** Commencement for Class of 2021
- **May 20:** Final grades due for all students by noon
- **May 22:** Make Up Commencement for Class of 2020

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS NOT OFFERED IN SPRING

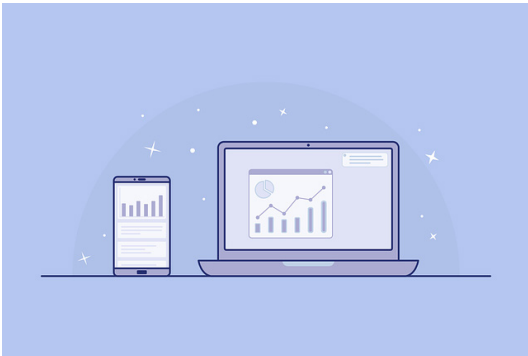
In order to minimize overall risk to student health and safety and to abide by the U.S. State Department and CDC Travel Warning levels that still recommend against non-essential international travel, among other concerns, the University has made the difficult decision not to offer study abroad programs this coming spring semester. Additionally, Wake West will also not operate in spring.

Please note: Wake Washington is separate from this decision and will move forward with planned operations in spring.

SPRING 2021 SCHEDULE AND MODALITIES TOOLKIT

Associate Dean for Academic Planning Anne Hardcastle emailed all faculty a comprehensive **Spring 2021 Schedule and Modalities Toolkit** on Sept. 30. The toolkit includes guidelines for scheduling, modality definitions, schedule build and registration timeline, and more.

UPDATES



FINANCIAL UPDATE

On Sept. 29, Provost Rogan Kersh and Executive Vice President Hof Milam shared a financial update with faculty and staff. Read the full update at [Inside WFU](#).

DELONGPRÉ JOHNSTON NAMED VP FOR HUMAN RESOURCES & SUSTAINABILITY

Wake Forest University has appointed Dedee DeLongpré Johnston as vice president for human resources and sustainability, effective Oct. 1. In this role, she will lead the University's talent functions, including recruitment, campus engagement, compensation and benefits, professional development, HR operations, and HR information systems.

Dedee DeLongpré Johnston will continue to lead the Office of Sustainability as vice president and chief sustainability officer. She has served as interim chief human resources officer since April 2020.



FOR FACULTY AND STAFF

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COLLEGE FACULTY MEETING

The next College faculty meeting will be Monday, Oct. 12, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. The meeting will take place virtually and is open to permanent faculty members. More information will follow.

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STAFF ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

The next Staff Advisory Council Meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 14, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on Zoom. More information will follow.

LAC-DS LAUNCHES FACULTY PORTAL

The Learning Assistance Center and Disability Services Office (LAC-DS) recently implemented an online portal that coordinates students' accommodation notifications. You can now go to one place to find all of your students' accommodations.

To access the portal, [faculty and staff can go online](#) and click on the gold "Faculty Portal Log In." Login using your WFU login and password.

If you have difficulty with the portal or have questions about students' accommodations, contact the [LAC-DS](#).

FOR FACULTY

OPPORTUNITY TO INTEGRATE GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES INTO THE CLASSROOM

DIS Scandinavia (WFU's academic partner in Denmark and Sweden) is offering the cooperation of its faculty to any Wake Forest faculty members who might want to integrate global perspectives into the classroom during this semester or next. Such opportunities might take the form of a virtual session for a particular class or larger group of students (e.g., guest lecture, part of a panel, case study, interview, virtual field study, etc.). Examples of topics include Climate Change, European Politics, Psychology/Neuroscience, Scandinavian Cities, and more. A more detailed list of sample topics and specific themes [can be found here](#). There is no cost to departments for any sessions that might be delivered. For more information, please contact [DIS Scandinavia](#) or reach out to [the Center for Global Programs & Studies](#).



WAKE THE ARTS VIDEO

See what is happening at Wake the Arts [with this video](#) showcasing faculty, staff, and students. You can also check out the academic excellence happening in the Arts on [the Wake the Arts website](#).



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FACE TO FACE SPEAKER FORUM HOSTS VIRTUAL EVENT WITH PEGGY NOONAN AND EUGENE ROBINSON

The Face to Face Speaker Forum will host a virtual speaking event on Tuesday, Oct. 20, at 7:30 p.m., with pre-programming beginning at 7 p.m. This event will feature a virtual conversation between two powerhouse political analysts, Peggy Noonan and Eugene Robinson. The conversation will be moderated by Dean Michele Gillespie. Noonan served as a special assistant and speechwriter for President Ronald Reagan and writes a weekly column for *The Wall Street Journal*. Robinson is a columnist and associate editor of *The Washington Post*. He also provides political commentary to MSNBC.

The event is free for Face to Face Speaker Forum season subscribers and students, faculty, and staff at Wake Forest, as well as students and faculty in the Winston-Salem area. Visit go.wfu.edu/facetoface to register for this event. Tickets for general audience are \$10.



TECH TIP

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QUALTRICS – ADVANCED REPORTING WORKSHOPS

On Oct. 31, Qualtrics will be deprecating Classic Reports from their reporting functionality in favor of solely supporting the Advanced Reporting module.

This workshop will provide you an overview of Advanced Reporting in Qualtrics and walk you through creating reports of your own. We will follow [these instructions](#).

As part of this “retirement” of Classic Reports in Qualtrics, reports you have already created in Classic Reports will be unavailable after Oct. 31. If you would like to keep a copy of any of those reports, [you will need to follow the steps here](#) in order to download a PDF of the reports.

Workshops will be held in October. You can register [for the courses through the PDC at this link](#).



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LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES



PHILOSOPHY FORUM TODAY

The Department of Philosophy is hosting Brandon Warmke, Assistant Professor of Philosophy from Bowling Green University, for the talk “Grandstanding Apart: How Status-Seeking Divides Us” today at 5 p.m. on Zoom. [Register for the event here.](#)

WAKE FOREST AND THE NEW MUSEUM PRESENT ‘IDEASCITY WINSTON-SALEM’

Wake Forest University, New Museum’s NEW INC in New York City, and more than a dozen local businesses and organizations are engaging in a unique year-long partnership called “IdeasCity Winston-Salem.”

Throughout the 2020-21 academic year, community partners will host events to explore creative approaches to improve health and wellbeing, economic development, and justice and equity for members of the Winston-Salem community.

IdeasCity kicks off in October with a series of virtual Beta Bonfires. The events, organized by the New Museum’s NEW INC, will facilitate discussions about how art, entrepreneurship, technology and design can solve challenges facing mid-sized cities.

Following a series of three Beta Bonfire events, NEW INC will present CAMP, a three-day intensive offering professional development workshops, mentoring, and community building. Overall, the series will engage participants in new ideas and opportunities to explore how creative solutions can help foster wellbeing in Winston Salem’s creative economic landscape.

The first IdeasCity Beta Bonfire: Rethinking Norms will be held on Thursday, Oct. 8, at 5 p.m. The event is open to all. [Registration is required.](#)

AWARDS

FAHRBACH ELECTED AS ISN FELLOW



Susan Fahrbach, Professor of Biology and chair of the department, was recently elected as a fellow of the International Society for Neuroethology for her groundbreaking work elucidating the mechanisms of neural plasticity in honey bees.

VAN DOORN-HARDER RECEIVES NEH AWARD



Professor Nelly Van Doorn-Harder, Department for the Study of Religions, has received an award from the National Endowment for the Humanities with Jason Zaborowski, from Bradley University, to organize an NEH summer institute about Middle Eastern Christianity.

ANDERSON NAMED APS FELLOW



Paul Anderson, Professor of Physics, has been named a 2020 Fellow for the American Physical Society (APS). The APS Division of Gravitational Physics nominated Anderson for his significant contributions to the understanding of quantum field theory in curved space.

ARTICLES



HENSLEE, LOWMAN ANNOUNCED AS 2020 ENGINEERING UNLEASHED FELLOWS

Erin Henslee and Lauren Lowman have been named as 2020 Engineering Unleashed Fellows. The assistant professors in the Department of Engineering are part of the 29-person cohort and were nominated by their peers from higher education institutions across the country for their contributions to engineering pedagogy and entrepreneurial engineering mindsets.

The Engineering Unleashed fellowship, which includes funding for both faculty members to advance specific project work here at Wake Forest, is part of the Kern Entrepreneurial Engineering Network (KEEN), which includes 51 partner institutions and more than 3,000 engineering faculty members.

Read the [full story on the College's website](#).



WAKE FOREST'S ENGINEERING STUDENTS RAISE WALLS ON HABITAT HOUSE

Several students from the Engineering program spent time on a home site for Habitat for Humanity as part of their Capstone course. [Read the article from the Winston-Salem Journal here](#).

Wake Forest senior engineering students Chloe Beatty and Dayton Diemel move prebuilt walls into place as they help raise the walls on a Habitat for Humanity house on Ansonia Street, Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2020. Photo by Walt Unks, Winston-Salem Journal, for the article, ["Wake Forest's Engineering Students Raise Walls on Habitat House."](#)



ABOUT THE DIGEST

To share news or events with the College, contact [Bethany Leggett](#) in the Office of the Dean of the College. If you wish to unsubscribe to the Dean's Office Digest, please contact [Bethany Leggett](#).

The next Dean's Office Digest will be on Monday, October 19, 2020. Submissions are due Tuesday, October 13, 2020.

