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BIOLOGY/ATHLETIC TRAINING/PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

PROFESSOR

Ronald W. Shewcraft: anatomy, biomechanical analysis of movement, coaching education

B.S., West Virginia University

M.S., West Virginia University

Jerry Smosky: genetics, physiology, immunology, evolution

B.S., Appalachian State Teachers College

M.S., University of South Carolina

Ph.D., University of South Carolina

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Ann Billetz: cell biology, biochemistry, microbiology, parasitology and introduction to biology

B.S., Walsh College

M.S., Cleveland State University

Ph.D., Cleveland State University

Anne Goodwin: zoology, anatomy & physiology, marine biology

B.A., Albion College

Ph.D., Harvard University

Peter Hoyt: athletic training, nutrition

B.S., Mercyhurst College

M.S., Old Dominion University

Ph.D. Rocky Mountain University

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Justin Golub: animal behavior, developmental biology, evolution, genetics and bio techniques

B.S., Union College

M.S., Concordia University

Ph.D. Clark University

Sarah Herrick: exercise physiology, anatomy and physiology

B.S. Central Connecticut State University

M.S. Springfield College

Ryan Krzyzanowicz: clinical athletic training, accreditation

B.S., Slipper Rock University

M.S., Old Dominion University

Emily Mooney: botany, ecology, conservation biology

B.S., State University of New York

Ph.D., West Virginia University

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BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT

PROFESSOR

Behzad Khajehzadeh (Ben Kahn): economics, management

B.S., University of Teheran

M.A., University of Albany SUNY

Gregory O'Connor: marketing, management

B.S. B.A., Boston College

M.B.A., Suffolk University

M.P.A., Suffolk University

Nancy L. Ovitsky: marketing, economics, information technology

B.A., University of Illinois

M.S., University of Illinois

Ph.D., University of Illinois

Richard Yanow: senior seminar, finance, investing

B.S., Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania

M.B.A., Harvard Business School

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

James S. Moriarty: accounting, finance, (Director of Business Resource Center)

B.S., American International College

M.B.A., American International College

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Tom Whalen: management, marketing, leadership, culture studies

B.S., U.S. Naval Academy

M.S., Troy University

Ph.D., Gonzaga University

CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT

PROFESSOR

David M. Levine: instrumental methods, quantum chemistry, physical chemistry

B.S., Tufts University

M.S., University of Southern California

Ph.D., Pennsylvania State University

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CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT (CON'T)

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Robert Harris: organic chemistry, inorganic chemistry
B.S., Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
M.S., Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Ph.D., Boston College

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Carolyn Dehner: biochemistry
B.S., State University of New York, Geneseo
Ph.D., University of Notre Dame

COMPUTER SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Mark Cohen: professional software development, object oriented design, multi-tiered software development, computer science theory
B.S., Lafayette College
M.S., Drexel University
Ph.D., Pennsylvania State University

Mike Dalton: robotics, software engineering, artificial intelligence, electrical engineering
A.A.S., New Hampshire Technical College at Manchester
B.S., University of New Hampshire
M.S., University of New Hampshire
Ph.D., University of New Hampshire

David Eve: hardware, networking, data communications
B.A., College of Wooster
M.Ed., University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Ed.D., University of Massachusetts, Amherst

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

PROFESSOR

Ellen P. Barber: gender, ethics, education leadership, foundations
B.S., State University of New York
M.Ed., Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts
Ed.D., Hofstra University

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT (CON'T)

Susan Edgerton: curriculum theory, social justice

B.A., Louisiana Tech University

M.S., Louisiana Tech University

Ph.D., Louisiana State University

Dana Rapp: curriculum theory, teachers and civil disobedience, democratic practice

B.A., Alliance Francaise

B.A., Indiana University

M.A., James Madison University

Ph.D., Indiana University

Ann C. Scott: literacy, multicultural education, language acquisition

B.A., Smith College

M.Ed., University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Ed.D., University of Massachusetts, Amherst

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Dale Fink: early childhood education, special education

A.B., Harvard College

M.Ed., Antioch University of Open Education

Ph.D., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Christopher Himes: science education, diversity in science & education, evolutionary biology

B.S., University of Massachusetts, Boston

Ph.D., University of Washington

Nicholas Stroud: student and teacher attitudes toward science; science pedagogy in and out of classrooms

B.S., University of Wisconsin, Madison

M.A., Stonybrook University

Ph.D., Teachers College Columbia University

ENGLISH/COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

PROFESSOR

Michael Birch: television production, mass media, intercultural communications, writing

B.A., King Alfred's College

M.A., University of Lancaster

Ph.D., University of Liverpool

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ENGLISH/COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT (CON'T)

Mary Ellen Cohane: Irish literature, folklore, ecology and literature
B.A., Fairfield University
M.A., University of Pennsylvania
Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania

Rosanne Fleszar Denhard: medieval and early modern British literature, life-writing, literature in performance, literary theory
B.A., College of Saint Rose
M.A., College of Saint Rose
Ph.D., University of Albany SUNY

Joseph M. Ebiware: mass media, broadcast journalism, speech, scriptwriting
B.S., Syracuse University
M.S., Syracuse University
Ph.D., Syracuse University

H. Benjamin Jacques: writing (nonfiction), journalism, literature
B.A., California State College
M.A., University of Arizona

Elizabeth G. Lambert: film studies, literature by women, science and literature
B.A., University of Southern California
M.A., University of Wisconsin, Madison
Ph.D., University of Massachusetts, Amherst

David J. Langston: comparative literature, literary theory, film, romanticism
B.A., Oklahoma Baptist University
M.Div., Union Theological Seminary
Ph.D., Stanford University

Mark D. Miller: American literature, poetry, Robert Penn Warren
B.A., University of Houston
M.A., University of Houston
Ph.D., University of Texas

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Jenifer Augur: fiction writing, journalism
B.A., Southampton College of Long Island University
M.A., West Georgia College
M.F.A., University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Zachary Finch: American literature, creative writing, contemporary poetry and poetics
B.A., Dartmouth College
M.F.A., Warren Wilson College's MFA Program for Writers
Ph.D., University of Buffalo

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ENGLISH/COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT (CON'T)

Jenna Sciuto: Global Anglophone Literature and Language

B.A., Brown University

M.A., Boston University

Ph.D. Northeastern University

INSTRUCTOR

Mary Levitt: composition, tutor training

B.A., SUNY, Potsdam

M.A., University of Buffalo

M.Ed., University of Buffalo

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

PROFESSOR

A. Donald Hyers: geography, geology

B.A., Elmhurst College

M.A., Western Michigan University

Ph.D., Arizona State University

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Elena Traister: stream ecology

B.A., Williams College

M.A., Yale University

Ph.D., University of New Hampshire

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Daniel Shustack: environmental studies and ornithology

B.S., Pennsylvania State University

M.S., University of Vermont

Ph.D., Ohio State University

FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT

PROFESSOR

Christine Condaris: vocal ensembles, ethnomusicology, musicology

B.A., Wesleyan University

M.A., New York University

Ph.D., Wesleyan University

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FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT (CON'T)

Gregory Scheckler: visual art, painting and digital photography

B.A., University of Notre Dame

B.F.A., Washington University

M.F.A., Utah State University

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Michael Dilthey: music theory/composition

B.M., Southern Illinois University

M.M., University of Missouri

D.Mus., Northwestern University

Lisa Donovan: arts management, arts education, arts integration, arts based research

B.A., SUNY Oneonta

M.S., Boston University

Ph.D., Lesley University

Melanie Mowinski: drawing, books arts, print making and design

B.S., Case Western Reserve University

M.A., Yale University

M.F.A., University of the Arts, Philadelphia

Dawn Shamburger: theatre design and technology

B.A., Northwestern State University

M.F.A., University of North Carolina

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Douglas Jenkins: directing, theatre history, technical theatre, arts management

B.S., University of Texas at Arlington

M.A., Stephen F. Austin State University

Ph.D., Bowling Green State University

Laura Standley: acting, directing, play analysis

B.A., University of Central Oklahoma

M.F.A., University of California, Irvine

Diane C. Scott: fine arts entrepreneurship, strategic management in arts and non-profit organizations, leadership

B.A., Wichita State University

M.B.A. Wichita State University

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HISTORY/POLITICAL SCIENCE/GEOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT

PROFESSOR

Kailai Huang: Asian history, world civilization
B.A., Hebei University, Baoding, China
M.A., Beijing Normal University, Beijing, China
Ph.D., Binghamton University

Frances Jones-Sneed: American history, women's studies, African-American studies
B.A., Tougaloo College
M.A., Northwestern University
Ph.D., University of Missouri - Columbia

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Anthony Daly: European history, world civilization (Sab AY '14-'15)
B.A., University of Toronto
M.A., Boston College
Ph.D., Boston College

Sharon M. Thomas: geography, travel and tourism
B.A., Arizona State University
M.A., Arizona State University
Ph.D., Arizona State University

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Ely Janis: post-civil war United States history, immigration and ethnicity
B.A., University of Oregon
M.A., Boston College
Ph.D., Boston College

Ben Taylor: American politics, Political behavior, Political communication, Research methods
B.A., Georgia State University
M.A., Georgia State University
Ph.D., Georgia State University

LIBRARIAN

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Linda Kaufmann
B.A., Marlboro College
M.L.S., University of Albany, SUNY

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ASSOCIATE LIBRARIAN

Pamela Contakos

B.A., Marlboro College

M.L.S., Syracuse University

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

PROFESSOR

Fredricka Bennett: graph theory, history of mathematics, probability theory

B.A., Drew University

M.A., University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Ph.D., University of Massachusetts, Amherst

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Christopher L. Thomas: geometric group theory

B.S., University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Ph.D., Tufts University

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Elizabeth Hartung: graph theory, modeling, combinatorics

B.S., Indiana University of Pennsylvania

M.S., Syracuse University

Ph.D., Syracuse University

Duy Nguyen : Mathematics

B.S., Ho Chi Minh City University of Science

M.S., Ohio University

Ph.D., University of Georgia

PHILOSOPHY/MODERN LANGUAGES/INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES DEPARTMENT

PROFESSOR

David K. Johnson: epistemology and metaphysics, ethics, aesthetics

B.A., Georgetown University

Ph.D., University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Graziana Ramsden: contemporary Hispanic novel and film, gender theory, second language acquisition

M.A., University of Venice

Ph.D., University of California, Santa Barbara

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PHILOSOPHY/MODERN LANGUAGES/INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES DEPARTMENT (CONT'D)

Matthew R. Silliman: social and political philosophy, moral theory, philosophy of education
B.A., Earlham College
M.A., Purdue University
Ph.D., Purdue University

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Paul Nnodim: German philosophy, social, political and legal philosophy, ethics
B. Phil. Pontifical Urbanian University, Rome
Ph.D., Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz, Germany

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Mariana Bolívar Rubín: Spanish, specialization 20th and 21th Centuries Latin American/Caribbean Literature, Gender and Film Theory
B.A., Colorado State University
M.A., Colorado State University
Ph.D., University of Colorado

Karen M. Cardozo: interdisciplinary, women's, and leadership studies
B.A. Haverford College M.Ed. Harvard University
Ph.D. University of Massachusetts Amherst

Rita Nnodim: cross-cultural and transnational studies, African and South Asian studies, literature and film
M.A., Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany
Ph.D., University of Birmingham

PHYSICS DEPARTMENT

PROFESSOR

Carl A. Wolf: astrophysics, general relativity
B.S., Stevens Institute
M.A., Harvard University
Ph.D., Harvard University

Adrienne H. Wootters: condensed matter physics, physics education, history of physics
B.S., University of Texas at Austin
M.S., University of Texas at Austin
Ph.D., University of Massachusetts, Amherst

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PHYSICS DEPARTMENT (CON'T)

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Emily Maher: experimental and theoretical particle physics

B.A., Hendrix College

Ph.D., University of Minnesota

PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT

PROFESSOR

Maria Bartini: peer relations in childhood and adolescence, school bullying, gender development

B.S., College of William & Mary

M.S., University of Georgia

Ph.D., University of Georgia

Thomas Byrne: behavior analysis, biological psychology, drugs and human behavior

B.A., University of Florida

M.A., Western Michigan University

Ph.D., Western Michigan University

Deborah A. Foss: human sexuality, research methods, social diversity

B.A., University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth

Ph.D., University of Albany, SUNY

Timothy B. Jay: psycholinguistics, cognition, communication and perception

B.A., Miami University of Ohio

M.A., Kent State University

Ph.D., Kent State University

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Sharon Claffey: social support in married and cohabiting couples, division of household labor, parents of special needs children

B.A., College of Holy Cross

M.A., Monmouth University

Ph.D., Kent State University

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Rebekah Benjamin: applied cognition and development, reading processes and assessment, measurement, quantitative research methods

B.A., Indiana Wesleyan University

M.A., University of Georgia Ph.D., University of Georgia

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PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT (CON'T)

Ben Wood: counseling methods, group psychology, abnormal psychology, personality theories, qualitative research methodology, and the psychology of religion

B.A., Dickinson College

M.T.S., Harvard Divinity School

Ph.D., Virginia Commonwealth University

SOCIOLOGY/ANTHROPOLOGY/SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

PROFESSOR

Diane L. Balduzy: aging, death and dying, population, research methods

B.A., Arkansas State University

M.A., The University of Texas-El Paso

Ph.D., Case Western Reserve University

Susan Birns: anthropology of gender, families, family violence, social policy

B.A., Kenyon College

M.A., Miami University of Ohio

Ph.D., Syracuse University

Sumi E. Colligan: medical anthropology, gender, religion, the Middle East

B.A., University of California, Berkeley

M.P.H., University of California, Berkeley

Ph.D., Princeton University

Michele Ethier: clinical and administrative social work, gender, popular culture

B.A., University of Massachusetts, Amherst

M.A., Stony Brook University

M.S.W., Stony Brook University

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Ingrid Castro: sociology of education, sociology of childhood, minority groups

B.A., University of Delaware

M.A., Northeastern University

Ph.D., Northeastern University

Kerri Leyda Nicoll: poverty & inequality, social policy, community and civic engagement

B.A., Connecticut College

M.Div., Princeton Theological Seminary

M.S.W., University of Pennsylvania

Ph.D., University of Michigan

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Jennifer Zoltanski: social problems, social movements, criminology, juvenile delinquency, genocide, law and society

B.A., University of Denver

M.S., Portland State University

M.A., Brandeis University

Ph.D., Brandeis University