

Profiles of Faculty Scholarship

HIGHLIGHTS OF RESEARCH, PUBLICATIONS AND CREATIVE ACTIVITY

September, 2014 – September, 2015





FOREWORD

We are pleased to present the annual edition of this publication to honor the creative, community and scholarly work of Fitchburg State University faculty and librarians. This booklet offers an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the intellectual and creative achievements of our faculty and librarians. These activities both spring from and feed our central teaching mission. Reflected in these pages is the dedicated work of a community of scholars.

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FITCHBURG STATE UNIVERSITY



The global decline in frog species has been one of the most important conservation issues of the last 20 years, according to Professor Christopher Picone. The disturbing trend inspired a research project Picone undertook in his community of Ashburnham, where he has served on the town's Conservation Commission for almost 10 years.

"One of the perennial issues we wrestle with is lake management," he said, noting that most of the lakes in the town were created by dams. Petitioners come before the commission looking for approval to use herbicides to control nuisance weeds, and the products are supposed to be safe for frogs and other animals that dwell there. "How do we know this product is safe? Maybe there are negative impacts and we just haven't measured them yet."

Picone, trained as a plant ecologist, cast his research gaze wider for this multi-year project. Climbing nightly into his kayak,

he monitored the breeding frog population on 12 lakes, five of which were treated with herbicides. "It was very relaxing," he said, "except for my wife, who was home with two young children."

The research found the

aquatic herbicides were not having a significant deleterious effect on the frog populations (in contrast to agricultural herbicides, which are extremely harmful to frogs). "Now I can sleep better at night," he said.

Picone's research was published last year in the peer-reviewed regional journal Northeastern Naturalist, and he presented his findings at an invited

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Christopher Picone, Ph.D. BIOLOGY AND CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT

seminar at the fall conference of the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions, along with poster presentations at the annual meeting of

> the Ecological Society of America and the Northeast Natural History Conference.

> Community service is important to Picone, who serves on the Mount Watatic Management Committee and Ashburnham Rail Trail Committee and has led workshops on

composting in Fitchburg and Leominster for the Growing Places Garden Project. "I really respect their work," he said of Growing Places. "I like their approach, which is replicable and sustainable."

Picone has also helped reach younger residents on issues related to conservation, working with teachers at McKay Arts Academy on a garden adjacent to the school.



Elisabet Takehana, Ph.D. ENGLISH STUDIES DEPARTMENT

Elise Takehana found that cross-disciplinary collaboration opened up new worlds for research and scholarship in the past year, and even allowed her to feel more engaged in her

adopted community.

One such collaboration involved Takehana working closely with students in her undergraduate experimental writing class on a project that looked at the possibilities surrounding the digital future of

the novel as a form. "Novels have swallowed up all kinds of different forms," she explained. "How much can you throw at the novel before it's not a novel?"

This project resulted in the development, with her students, of a murder-mystery novel/game for online consumption. With her students, she presented the work at a conference of the American Literature Association's 26th annual convention in Boston. The work was also the topic of a piece published in the journal Hybrid Pedagogy.

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Beyond that project, Takehana was looking for an initiative that would involve digitizing artifacts, and a discussion with a colleague led to a major effort exploring the university's Robert Cormier collection. The information—including manuscripts, notes and correspondence involving the celebrated author from Leominster—was a perfect fit.

"For a small campus we have a lot of interesting work and a lot of interesting collections," Takehana said. Exploring Cormier's legacy in the field of young adult literature was eye-opening, as was the author's familiarity with controversy and censorship. Takehana, with former Fitchburg State faculty member Annamary Consalvo, assembled a multi-disciplinary panel talk held at the campus library last fall, where the topic of censorship was explored from historical and cultural perspectives, with invited experts from campus and beyond. The discussion, held during national Banned Books Week, was streamed online.

This year Takehana hopes to use the Cormier collection to explore issues of bullying and terrorism raised in the late author's work.

Takehana's collaborators included students and artists for another major project last year that saw public art installed on the front page of the *Sentinel* & *Enterprise* newspaper for a month. "The Alphabet" featured typographic contributions from international artists. Each letter

of the alphabet dominated a day's front page, complemented by historical anecdotes and literary asides penned by Takehana and others; the letter Q, for example, was accompanied by a Takehana piece entitled "Quality and Quantity" that looked at the region's manufacturing history.

"Doing that research made me more aware of this space," said the California native who has lived in North Central Massachusetts for four years. "Now I can say this is my home."





Megan Krell, who joined the Fitchburg State faculty in 2011, has embraced mentorship from two angles. Krell teaches in the human services and graduate counseling programs and coordinates its internship program. With her own background in school counseling, Krell strives to embody best practices for her own students.

"Being a counselor educator is making sure I'm always modeling the skills we hope our students would have, like empathy, appropriate accessibility and caring," said Krell, who cites her own practicum at the Perkins School for the Blind in Watertown with directing her career path. "I can honestly say I'm where I am today because of my human services practicum. I'm very excited for students when I know it can impact them in a similar way."

Her recent outreach work among her peers is also having an impact. Through presentations at the New England Human Services Organization and the North Atlantic Region Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, she's touted the benefits of evidenced-based teaching to her peers. She's hopeful that her higher profile in those organizations will translate into better outcomes for those she teaches as well as improving her own practice. Krell serves as treasurer of the North Atlantic Region Association for Counselor Education and Supervision and was the

2015 conference publicity chair for the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision.

One notable recent collaboration was the article co-authored Krell for the Education iournal Counselor and Supervision, entitled "Evidence-Based Teaching in Higher Education: Application

to Counselor Education." For that piece, Krell and her co-authors examined best practices in university-level teaching, as premised on the evidence-based teaching (EBT) literature found in other fields.

"In this article, we sought to synthesize the literature on best practices across three areas (i.e., creating effective learning environments, structuring intentional learning experiences, and assessing student learning) to identify teaching strategies from

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Megan Krell, Ph.D. BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT

the higher education literature that could enhance counselor education practices," the authors wrote. "We believe such practices are meaningful because they offer empirically supported guidelines for strategic intentionality in course design and teaching execution, something that has not existed in the counselor education literature. Understanding the why behind selected teaching environments, assignments, and assessments is an ethically advisable approach to teaching. Intentional teaching parallels best practices

> in counseling; that is, a counselor's clinical behaviors should be supported with some line of intentionality, preferably derived from an advanced, cognitively complex thought process and premised on research and theory."

> Krell said her collaborative experiences are helping her own practice. "Through my

professional organizations, I am connected with experts in the field who can offer guidance on how to improve my teaching, manage licensure requirements, and respond to program accreditation expectations," she said. "Working with colleagues across the country helps me stay up-to-date with current issues in the field. I can then bring these issues into my own classes, providing students with the most current information and issues that will impact their work."



Teresa Thomas, Ph.D. ECONOMICS, HISTORY, AND POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

A journey into her own family history inspired Teresa Thomas to tell a larger tale of the immigrant experience in her book *The Reluctant Migrants:*

Migration from the Italian Veneto to Central Massachusetts (Teneo Pressi, New York, 2015). With support from the university's Center for Italian Culture, Thomas spent her sabbatical exploring the Italian experience. "I flew into Milan, I saw all of Northern Italy and I enrolled in language school," she recalled. The training included

standard Italian as well as its assorted dialects.

When it was time to return home, she knew there was only one way to go. "I wanted to experience immigration, so I took a ship home," she said, recalling turbulent seas. "You really learned what it was like to cross the Atlantic the hard way." Thomas said her standard Italian sounded strange to her mother, who had grown up speaking a Venetian dialect.

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Thomas grew up in Fitchburg, but all four of her grandparents were from Veneto. Their families had come to the area to help build the Wachusett dam in Clinton, later venturing north to work in the city's rock quarries. "By that second wave of immigrants, that generation was starting businesses," she said. That included the DiGeronimo brothers who started the Victory supermarket chain, and the founders of Montuori Oil. The stories are among those told in *The Reluctant Migrants*, which was also shared as part of a presentation last October at Kent Recital Hall and at the Fitchburg Historical Society last spring.

She also presented a paper last fall at the Italian American Studies Conference in Washington,

D.C. entitled "Columbus Day 1938: Why Celebrate? Italian-Americans in Massachusetts and the Hurricane of '38." The storm killed hundreds of people along the east coast, including 99 in Massachusetts.

For her next book, Thomas will build on work begun during her dissertation at Clark University.

American Arabists in the Cold War Middle East: From Orientalism to Professionalism will be published in 2016 by Anthem Press of London.





Jonathan Amakawa COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA

Scholarship

PRESENTATIONS

- Presented a paper "An Augmented Reality App and the Exploration of the Lost Town of New Philadelphia, Illinois" at Challenge the Past/Diversify the Future Conference, Gothenberg University, Sweden, 3/19-3/21/2015
- Presented the New Philadelphia AR Tour App at Museum's and the Web Conference, Chicago, IL, 4/9/2015

PUBLICATIONS

- Published a short paper and presented at the 21st International Symposium on Electronic Arts, Vancouver, CA, 8/14- 8/19/2015
- Historical Residue, an Augmented Reality App and the Exploration of the Lost Town of New Philadelphia, Illinois

Creative Activity

- Completed the New Philadelphia Augmented Reality Tour App for that site's National Historic Landmark in Pike County, Illinois. The App has been published and is available to visitors for Android and iOS devices. The App appeared in a news article and radio feature in *Farm Week Now* (broadcasted on 53 radio stations throughout Illinois), an article in the *Quincy Herald-Whig* and was featured on the National Park Service homepage news section.
- Began work on the Jenkins House App Tour for the Lincoln Home National Historic Site for the US National Park Service in Springfield, Illinois. The project involves creating an augmented reality-based mobile app for Android and iOS devices that will interpret the Jameson Jenkins lot. The lot is located within the historical landmark and was the location of the house of Jameson Jenkins, an African American neighbor of Abraham Lincoln.

Patricia Arend BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Scholarship

• Received a Special Projects Grant, Faculty Scholarship, Fitchburg State University, MA, 2014-2015, for ongoing research.

PUBLICATIONS

• "Weddings," Invited encyclopedia entry for *The Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Consumption and Consumer Studies*, Edited by Daniel Cook and J. Michael Ryan, March 2015.

PRESENTATIONS

 Presented "Reproducing the Traditional Marriage Proposal: The Role of Women's Social Groups," FSU Speakers Series, October 21, 2014.

Community Service

- Led discussion of the film *Far From Heaven*, sponsored by Adult Learning in the Fitchburg Area (ALFA), Fitchburg Public Library, March 19, 2015.
- Chair, Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Section on Consumers and Consumption, American Sociological Association

Laura Baker

ECONOMICS, HISTORY & POLITICAL SCIENCE

Scholarship

PRESENTATIONS

- "Let's Do It! Activities for Teaching Historical Thinking." National Council for the Social Studies, Boston, MA, November 2014.
- "Teaching Slavery By Another Name and The New Jim Crow: Understanding Racialized Social Control in the Post-Emancipation Era." New England American Studies Association, Bristol, RI, October 2014.

Scholarship

PRESENTATIONS

 Research conference at Fitchburg State University and Statewide honors conference at the Fitchburg Sixth Annual Undergraduate Conference, April 23, 2015. Project title: "Automated mobile platform for material handling tasks" Students: Kyle Moore and Emily Pommer.

DeMisty Bellinger-Delfeld

ENGLISH STUDIES

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

- "Creating Personal Profiles: Five Prompts for Developing Persona." Chapter in *Practical Composition: Exercises for the English Classroom from Working Instructors*. Ed. Brickey, Russell, Laura L. Beadling, and Evelyn Marten. Jefferson, NC: McFarland, 2014. 92-3. Print.
- "Revision in Practice: Review and Rewriting Intros in Class." Chapter in *Practical Composition: Exercises for the English Classroom from Working Instructors.* Ed. Brickey, Russell, Laura L. Beadling, and Evelyn Marten. Jefferson, NC: McFarland, 2014. 171-2. Print.
- Blurb for *The Hunger of the Cheeky Sisters: Ten Tales* by Laura Madeline Wiseman, November 2014.

PRESENTATIONS

- "Rural Survival Skills in an Urban Setting." Panel Chair. Midwest Modern Language Association, Detroit, 2014; 14 Nov 2014.
- "Kitchen Creativity: Women Ingenuity in Working Class Fiction." South Atlantic Modern Language Association, Atlanta, 2014: 08 Nov 2014.
- "Publishing Work: Marketing, Reading, and Editing." Guest speaker in Dr. Steven Edwards' Editing and Publishing class at Fitchburg State University, 05 May 2015.

Creative Activity

- "Acquiring Joshua." Short story in *Specter Magazine*. December 2014. Web.
- "I Guide Stevie Wonder by the Hand" and "Play Date: Tina Turner | Janis Joplin." Poems in *Modern Poetry Quarterly Review.* 13 July 2014.
- "Women Writing Scandal," AWP (Association of Writers and Writing Programs' annual conference) Off-site Reading, Nomad Pub (Minneapolis, Minnes ta), April 10, 2015: "Acquiring Joshua" and "The Negotiating of Space."
- Vermont Studio Center, June 7-July 3, 2015. Wrote at a writers and artists' retreat on full fellowship, as a Vermont Studio Center fellow.

Community Service

- Literary Submission Manager for Kalyani Magazine.
- Alumni Reader for the *Prairie Schooner* literary journal.

Eric Boehme

ECONOMICS, HISTORY & POLITICAL SCIENCE

Scholarship

PRESENTATIONS

- Presented "Governing Space Through Race: American Political Development and the Racialization of Citizenship" at the Western Political Science Association Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, April 3, 2015.
- Panel Discussant, Race and the Criminal Justice System, with Worcester County District Attorney, Worcester County Public Defender, and Director of the Prisons, for Constitution Day Symposium, Fitchburg State University, September 17, 2014

Eric Budd

ECONOMICS, HISTORY & POLITICAL SCIENCE

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

- Bloomsbury re-released book *Conflicted are the Peace-Makers: Israeli and Palestinian Moderates and the Death of Oslo.*
- Book Review of *Recovering Nonviolent History: Civil Resistance in Liberation Struggles*, published in *Peace Review*, June 2015.

PRESENTATIONS

• Chair/Discussant, Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, November 13-15, 2014. Panel Title: "Comparative Studies in Political Economy,"

Community Service

• Co-Evaluator, Working Cities Grant, "Reimagine North of Main: 5000 Strong," July 2014-July 2015

Catherine Buell

MATHEMATICS

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

• Buell, Catherine A. and Eric Kimball, *Frobenius Pseudoprimes and a Cubic Primality Test*, Notes on Number Theory and Discrete Mathematics, Vol. 20, November 2014, No.4, 11-20.

PRESENTATIONS

- On maximal quasi R-split tori invariant under an involution, AMS Special Session, AMS Sectional Meeting, Michigan State University, March 2015.
- *Methods to Democratizing Inquiry for K-12 Students and Teachers,* Themed Contributed Paper Session, Joint Mathematics Meeting, San Antonio, TX, January 2015.
- Stabilizing Discrete Event Systems with Tropical Eigenvalues, AMS Special Session, Joint Mathematics Meeting, San Antonio, TX, January 2015.
- Hosted Themed Contributed Paper Session: Democratizing Access to Authentic Mathematical Activities at MathFest, Washington D.C., August 2015.

Keith Chenot INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

Community Service

- Fitchburg Historical Commission:
 - Led the creation of the Fitchburg Historic Marker program to provide opportunities to show pride in ownership and help our community appreciate a building's special architectural heritage.
 - Helped provide media information for markers placed on historic city-owned building
- Central Massachusetts Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIACM):
 - Served on the Board of Directors
 - Coordinated the jury process and presentation for the AIACM 2015 Annual Awards program including press releases to local media
 - Organized Fitchburg State joint meeting of the AIACM with ITEC AIAS (student chapter) to review student projects and participate in National Grid's presentation of Whole Building Approach to Non-residential New Construction Featuring Building Owner and Design Team Incentives

James Colbert HUMANITIES (PROFESSOR EMERITUS)

Scholarship

PRESENTATIONS

• Talk at Boston College April 22, 2015, "Philo's Logos: He, She, or It?"

PUBLICATIONS

• Translation of Jean Daniélou, *Philo of Alexandria*, Cascade Books, Eugene Oregon, 2014

Robin Dinda

HUMANITIES

Creative Activity

- Improvised an organ accompaniment to the 1925 classic film *The Phantom of the Opera* at a public screening at First Parish, Fitchburg, October 24, 2014.
- Composed *The Harmonious Blacksmith (Variations on a Theme by Handel)* for two organists at one organ for the 150th anniversary celebrations of the 1864 E. and G.G. Hook organ in Mechanics Hall, Worcester. Performed it there with Renea Waligora on October 26, 2014.
- Composed *Two Moods* for trumpet and piano, commissioned by the Rivers School in Weston, MA, for their 37th Annual Seminar in Contemporary Music for the Young. The piece was performed on April 11, 2015.

Nancy Duphily

NURSING

Community Service

- Faculty Board Representative Member Sigma Theta Tau (STT): September 2014 present
- Appointed April 2015 to McKay Arts Academy Governing Board/Subcommittee on Family and Community Engagement.
- Recertifications in IBCLC; Childbirth Education; Pediatric CNS, October 2014
- FSU Undergraduate Research Day Faculty Advisor, Student Presentations Clinical Practice Guidelines UMMMC/FSU Collaborative Project, April 23, 2015.
- Shared Leadership Day University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center; Clinical Practice Guidelines Poster Presentations; UMMMC/FSU Collaborative Project, April 9, 2015.

Adem Elveren

ECONOMICS, HISTORY & POLITICAL SCIENCE

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

- Scholarship for the research on "Brain Drain in Turkey" by Prime Ministry of Turkey Presidency for Turks Abroad and Related Communities, May 2015– May 2016
- "Military Expenditures and Profit Rate: Evidence from OECD Countries" (with S. Hsu), *Metroeconomica*, 2015.
- 2000'ler Türkiye'sinde Sosyal Politika ve Toplumsal Cinsiyet [Social Policy and Gender in Turkey in the 2000s] (co-edited with S. Dedeoglu), İmge Publication, Ankara, Turkey, 2015.

Community Service

• Member of the Editorial Board of The Centre for Policy and Research on Turkey, a London based think tank.

Stephen Goldstein COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

- Contributing writer to *Meggs' History of Graphic Design, 6th edition* (in press). Wrote and edited text on graphic design history for Chinese Graphic Design section from interviews with designers and wrote and edited text for Motion Graphics section.
- Book review: *Journal of Technical Communication* (*JTC*), *The End of Print: The Grafik Design of David Carson, 2nd ed.* Text by Lewis Blackwell. Review published, December 2014.

Creative Activity

- Received Ruth Butler Achievement Grant, Fitchburg State University, in support of the Communications Media Lecture Series spring, 2015: Curated 2014-2015 Ruth Butler Communications Media Lecture Series and art directed promotional poster design by former Fitchburg State student, Erik Weikert. Guest lecturers included photographer Bruce Myren, documentary filmmaker Jeff Silva, and photographer/designer Thomas Wedell, of Skolos Wedell graphic design firm partnership and senior critic at Rhode Island School of Design.
- "The Alphabet Project," a collaborative alphabet, created and produced by artist Anna Schulit Haber, supported by grant from Fitchburg Art Museum and the NEA: Graphic designer of letter 'V', a unique typographic design, and front page design of the *Sentinel & Enterprise* newspaper, August 6, 2015.
- Graphic design consultant to the project. "The Alphabet Project," was a public art project of original typographic designs of each letter of the alphabet published as the main illustration on consecutive front pages of the daily *Sentinel & Enterprise* newspaper July 13 – August 11, 2015.

Community Service

• Member, Whittier Programs Advisory Board for Graphic Design and related vocational educational programs, Whittier Vocational High School, Haverhill, MA.

Meledath Govindan

BIOLOGY AND CHEMISTRY

Scholarship

- Chair of the Central Massachusetts section of the American Chemical Society. Helped organize local section meetings and a Research Poster Competition in April 2015. Will host a section meeting at Fitchburg State in March 2016. Elected for a 3-year term as the American Chemical Society Councilor from Central MA section. The Council is the governing body of the Society, organization of professional chemists with a worldwide membership of 158,000.
- July 2015, President of New England Association of Chemistry Teachers (NEACT). Served as the Presidentelect from 2013-15 and led the organizing team for the annual summer conference in 2014, hosted by Fitchburg State University and the 2015 summer conference held at Clark University, Worcester. Primary organizer for the 2016 summer conference to be held at Mass College of Liberal Arts in North Adams.

Community Service

• Lead Contest Coordinator for the Worcester and Cambridge chapters of the North South Foundation. The Worcester chapter contests were held April 11-12, 2015 at Fitchburg State University and the Cambridge chapter contest were on April 26 at Tufts University. Over 500 school children from MA, NH and RI participated in the seven contests in 2015. (North South Foundation is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization based in Chicago that holds these contests at over 80 sites throughout the U.S. and Canada. Its goals are to provide educational opportunities for children here and back in India. The monies raised in the form of registration fee are used to provide college scholarships for economically disadvantaged but meritorious children in India. This past year we supported the college education of 2400 students, who may not have been able to attend college without this scholarship.)

Randall Grometstein BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Scholarship

• Chaired meeting of Law and Public Policy section at annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, March 2015.

PRESENTATIONS

• Presented paper co-authored with Jen Balboni, Curry College, entitled "Prosecutorial Misconduct in Cases of Exoneration" at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, November 2014.

Community Service

• Chaired subcommittee on academic planning as part of FSU Strategic Planning Committee.

Robert Harris COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA

Creative Activity

- Video Editing and exhibition design work with artist, filmmaker and video pioneer Aldo Tambellini: *NoName Movie*, video editor, premiered at Nighthawk Cinema, Brooklyn, NY 2014
- LumaGram Animation for Black Balloons, video editor cinematography for premier exhibit event 2014
- *Atlantic in Brooklyn (1971-1972)* Exhibition Design, Video Editing Pirogi at the Boiler, Brooklyn 2015
- Served as Artistic Director, for the 24th year, of the New York State Summer School of the Arts: Media Arts program, SUNY Oswego, NY 2015

Chiatanya Hiremath EARTH AND GEOGRAPHIC SCIENCES

Scholarship

PUBLICATION

 Hiremath, C. N.. "Let Your Success be BIIG: A New Paradigm for Problem-Solving in Science." *International Journal of Physics 3*, no. 3 (2015): 113-119.

Community Service

 Served as the Founding President of SEALOEarth, a non-profit organization with a mission to heighten awareness of the responsibility of all people to manage global resources in a sustainable way, regardless of an individual's country of origin, cultural background, spoken language, or religion.

Michael Hoberman ENGLISH STUDIES

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

- "'God Loves the Hebrews'": Exodus typologies, Jewish slaveholding, and black peoplehood in antebellum America." American Jewish Archives Journal (Fall 2015)
- "How it Will End, the Blessed God Knows": A reading of Jewish correspondence during the Revolutionary War era." *American Jewish History* 99.4 (Fall 2015)
- Completed a book proposal and received an offer for an advance contract for this book from the University of Massachusetts Press (the book is also under serious consideration by Rutgers University Press): A Hundred Acres of America: The Geography of Jewish American Literary History

Beverley Hollingsworth

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Scholarship

PUBLICATION

• Coauthored Paper: "A Profile of the Foreign Born Population in the Greater Fitchburg Area," with Luis Rosero, PhD, Assistant Professor of Economics Fitchburg State University Spring 2015.

Jane Huang EARTH AND GEOGRAPHIC SCIENCES

Service Learning Projects

- During the AY 2014-15, led two service learning projects which involved over a dozen students.
 - Project I: GPS Survey of Healthy-Heart Trails. Led the class of Geog2400: Computer Application in Geosciences in a GPS (Global Positioning System) survey project which assisted MRPC (Montachusett Regional Planning Commission) by evaluating potential healthy-heart hiking trails in the Montachusett region. The students surveyed and evaluated the potential hiking trails, logged waypoints using GPS, and submitted reports and Google Earth files. MRPC was able to use these data and results to identify the Healthy Heart Trails in the Montachusett region and to eventually provide recommendations to health care providers an exercise option for their patients.
 - Project II: GIS Inventory of Farmland in North Central Mass. The project was aimed at helping the North County Land Trust with their North Central Massachusetts Farmland Inventory Project. Students from an upperlevel GIS (Geographic Information System) class were engaged in creating a GIS inventory of local farmland. They used GIS to digitize agricultural fields from aerial photos and maps and performed spatial analysis using data from MassGIS. The project provided critical assistance to the "buy local" initiative, which seeks to connect local farmers and producers with consumers, stores, and restaurants.

Maria Mercedes Jaramillo HUMANITIES

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

 Published three articles, "Bojayá in Colombian Theater. Kilele: A Drama of Memory and Resistance" was included in *Black Writing, Culture, and the State In Latin America,* a volume edited by Jerome C.
 Branch, Vanderblit University Press, (2015):103-126.
 "Los abuelos como arcas de la memoria en las obras



de las 'Almanegras' del litoral Pacífico colombiano". *Revista de crítica literaria latinoamericana, Literatura y 'afrodescendencia'*, Boston, Lima, XLI.81(2015)187-204; and "Hotel de vagabundos: crisol racial de las Américas". *Revista de estudios colombianos*, 44(2014)13-17.

• Wrote a review of an anthology of Afro-Colombian women poets compiled by Guiomar Cuesta and Alfredo Ocampo, *Revista de Estudios Colombianos*, 44(2014):57-59.

PRESENTATIONS

• Presented a paper at the XIX Congress of the Association of Colombianists in Medellín, Colombia on July 4, 2015. Paper analyzed the poetry of three Afro-Colombian women poets.

Walter Jeffko

HUMANITIES

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

• Updating *Contemporary Ethical Issues: A Personalist Perspective,* 3rd ed. (2013), in anticipation of a projected fourth edition around 2018.

PRESENTATIONS

• Tenth Harrod Lecture, "Economic Inequality, Distributive Justice, and Democracy," fall of 2015.

Lynne Kellner

BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Scholarship

- PUBLICATIONS
 - Kellner, L. (2015). "Childhood trauma: Manifestations and treatment considerations, 2nd Edition." Brockton, MA: Western Schools, Inc.
 - Kellner, L. (2015). "Ethical issues in children's health and health care. Brockton, MA: Western Schools, Inc.

PRESENTATIONS

• "The Self-Study: A Tool for Evolutionary Program Change," Co-presented with John Hancock, Megan Krell, and Christine Shane at the annual conference of the New England Organization for Human Services, East Hartford, CT, May 1, 2015

Community Service

 Council for Standards in Human Services Education New England Regional Director: Served as outside reviewer for Human Services Programs seeking (re) accreditation through the Council and provided consultation on current standards to area programs

Kay Kim BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Scholarship

- Editorial Board Member of the Information Security and Computer Fraud, Science and Education Publishing, January 1, 2014- Present
- Editor In Chief of the Trends Journal of Sciences Research (TJSR), 2015
- Reviewer of Journal of Finance and Accounting, Science and Education Publishing, 2015

PUBLICATION

• Corporate Social Responsibility and Its Cross Cultural Model Specification: An Empirical Research of Korean MNCs in the United States, Trends Journal of Sciences Research (TJSR), 2015, 2(5)

Megan Krell BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

 Malott, K., Hall, K.H., Sheely-Moore, A., Krell. M., & Cardaciotto, L. (2014). Evidence-based teaching in higher education: Application to counselor education. *Counselor Education and Supervision*, 53(4), 294-305.

PRESENTATIONS

- Kellner, L., Hancock, J., Krell, M., Shane, C. (2015, May). The Self-Study: A Tool for Evolutionary Program Change. Presented at the annual conference of the New England Human Services Organization, East Hartford, CT.
- Donohue, M., Krell, M., & Parzych, J. (2014, September). Using supervision mapping to enrich preservice school counseling supervision. Presented at the biennial conference of the North Atlantic Region Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, Providence, RI.

• Sheely-Moore, A., Krell, M., & Cardaciotto, L. (2014, September). What's so "Great" about the greatest university instructors? Applying evidenced-based teaching to counselor education. Presented at the biennial meeting of the North Atlantic Region Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, Providence, RI.

Community Service

- North Atlantic Region Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, Treasurer
- Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, 2015 Conference Publicity Chair
- United Way of North Central Massachusetts, Community Investment Site Visit Team Member
- Massachusetts School Counselors Association, Counselor Educator Co-Vice President
- New England Organization for Human Services, Member-at-large

Kathleen Lambe

EDUCATION

Scholarship

PRESENTATIONS

- Science Teachers of New York State Conference, Rochester, NY (November 2015) – "The Soul of Science: Teaching the Nature of Science in Elementary and Middle School"
- Ireland International Conference on Education, Dublin, Ireland (April 2015) – "A University Effort to Transform Teacher Education in an Era of Accountability"
- Bridgewater State University Center for the Advancement of STEM Education (February 2015) "Inspired by Nature: Connecting Engineering with Biomimicry"

Peter Laytin

COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA

Creative Activity

 Invited to the Museum of Photographic Arts in San Diego in early 2015 to be videotaped and recorded for addition to their photo history archives. Recorded thoughts about, friendship with, and experiences surrounding the American photographer, Minor White for use in the book and exhibition *The Time Between: The Sequences of Minor White*. At the end of 2015, these video clips were consequently used on a monitor display in the gallery during the three-month long MoPA exhibition.

Community Service

• December 2015, granted a three-year extension as a trustee of the Fitchburg Art Museum.

Benjamin Lieberman ECONOMICS, HISTORY & POLITICAL SCIENCE

Scholarship

- Engaged in research on popular participation in the expulsion of ethnic Germans in 1945-1946.
- Worked with Elizabeth Gordon of Earth and Geographic Sciences on a text on climate change and human history.

Robert Logan EXERCISE AND SPORTS SCIENCE

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

- Bakshi R, Logan R, Schwarzschild MA. "Purines in Parkinson's: Adenosine A2A receptors and urate as targets for neuroprotection." *The Adenosinergic System - A Non-Dopaminergic Target in Parkinson's Disease.* Eds. M Morelli et al.: Springer International Publishing, 2015. 101-126. Print.
- Bakshi R, Zhang H, Logan R, Joshi I, Chen X, Schwarzschild MA. Neuroprotective effects of urate mediated by astrocytic induction of Nrf2 signaling and glutathione release. *Neurobiol Dis.* 2015

Tara Mariolis NURSING

Scholarship

• Reviewer, Journal of Adolescent Health, 2015

PUBLICATIONS

• Mariolis, T., LeBlanc, R., McNamara, S. & Chandler, G. (2015). Letter to the Editor. Response to Ray & Turkel's Article on Emancipatory Nursing Praxis. *Journal of Advanced Nursing*, 38(2), May-June 2015.

PRESENTATIONS

• Mariolis, T. (April 10th 2015). *Mental Health Nursing of the Adolescent*. Invited Guest Lecturer for Undergraduate Nursing Students. University of Massachusetts, Amherst, College of Nursing. Community Service

AWARDS

 Recipient, American Psychiatric Nurses Association, National Board of Directors Graduate Student Scholar Award, 2015. (Ten awarded nationally on annual basis)

Kevin McCarthy COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA

Scholarship

- 2015 University Film and Video Association (UFVA)
 - Conference, American University, Washington, D.C. • Panel Presenter: "It's Still Worth It: Teaching Film at Film School"
 - New Media Exhibit Presentation on my work, Spin Cycle

Creative Activity

- *Spin Cycle* Video Installation (single channel, 55 min, 2015)
- Ruth Butler Grant Award (May 2015): For documentary film, *Market Basket* (working title), for 2016 Fiscal Year.
- Moving Image Fund (LEF Foundation) Grant Award (May 2015): Awarded with Robin Berghaus, for feature documentary film, *Stumped* (working title).

EXHIBITIONS

- CenterStage Media Wall, Fitchburg State University, January-February 2015
- Free State Festival, Lawrence, Kansas, June 22-28, 2015
- New Media Exhibit, University Film & Video Association Conference, American University, Washington, D.C., August 4-8, 2015
- Faculty Show, Hammond Art Gallery, November-December 2015

Phillip McCormack

BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Scholarship

• Manuscript reviewer for *Crime & Delinquency*.

PUBLICATIONS

 Completion of dissertation: "Minority-Group Threat and Social Control: Race/Ethnicity and the Issues of Heterogeneity", May 2015.

PRESENTATIONS

- Presented "Routine Activity Theory and Crime Clearance" at the Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Orlando, FL, March 2015.
- Presented "The Effects of Political Representation in Environmental Justice for Latinos" at the Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Orlando, FL, March 2015.
- Presented "An Updated Ranking of the Most Punitive States" at the Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Orlando, FL, March 2015.

Community Service

- NEACJS Undergraduate Student Scholarship Committee
- NEACJS Graduate Student Scholarship Committee
- Fisher College Criminal Justice Program
- Advisory Board • Criminal Justice Alumni Board

Kelly Morgan

COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA

Scholarship

- Recipient of the American Theater in Higher Education "Innovative Teaching" Award for 2015
- Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival, Region 1 Irene Ryan Adjudicator for 15 New England university productions
- Counselor for the Cross-Sector Partnership Teaching at Teaching Intensive Institutions, Amherst, MA

Community Activity

- Directed The Importance of Being Earnest
- Directed *Fat Pig* as part of the Labute Trilogy in association with FAVE and FSU Sororities
- Pre-Production for the Off-Broadway production of *Flight Delay* by Peter Anderegg
- New Hampshire Community Theater Festival Adjudicator
- New England Community Theater Festival Adjudicator
- American Legion Voice of Democracy Speech Adjudicator

Joann Nichols

EDUCATION

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

- Published article: "Promise of Place" in International Journal of Pedagogy and Curriculum Science
- Ambassador for the Museum of Science Boston, January 2015

PRESENTATIONS

• June, 2015 presented workshops for teachers in Antigua, West Indies

Creative Activity

• Brings therapy dog/reading partner animal to McKay Arts Academy once each week as reading enhancement for 3rd grade classroom children.

Alan Pearlmutter HUMANITIES

Community Service

• Music Director of Kammerwerke, a professional double wind quintet from Bedford, MA. Concert programs in 2014-2015 were titled French Frolic, British Bounty, and Discover America.



Audrey Pereira BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Scholarship

• Earned Ph.D. in Management with specialization in Information Systems Management from Walden University, 2015.

PUBLICATIONS

• Faculty willingness to complete information technology training on course management systems (Order No. 3700900). Retrieved from Dissertations & Theses @ Walden University. (1680833759). 2015

PRESENTATIONS

 Presented "Using Gaming Software and Comprehensive Case Study to Rebuild an Outcomes Assessment Method" (with Michael Greenwood), New England Educational Assessment Network (NEean) 2014 Fall Conference, College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA, November 7, 2014.

Christopher Picone

BIOLOGY AND CHEMISTRY

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

• Picone, C. 2015. "Effects of aquatic herbicides and housing density on abundance of pond-breeding frogs." *Northeastern Naturalist* 22: 26-39. Also presented in August at the annual meeting of the Ecological Society of America in Baltimore, MD.

PRESENTATIONS

- "Challenges in managing nuisance aquatic plants in lakes and ponds." Presented at the Fall Conference of the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions, Framingham State University.
- Moderator for a panel of soil experts the annual Food Gardeners' Gathering for Growing Places Garden Project, a Leominster non-profit that builds community gardens in low-income neighborhoods.

Community Service

- Member of two municipal commissions: the Ashburnham Conservation Commission and the Mount Watatic Management Committee.
- Ashburnham Rail Trail committee. In August we organized workdays to open up new sections of the trail for the first time.
- "Let's Rot and Roll!" Workshops on composting offered for Growing Places Garden Project (Leominster and Fitchburg)
- Ashburnham Conservation Trust: monitoring reports for two Conservation Restriction properties

Benjamin Railton

Scholarship

• Invited Social Media Fellow for the De Lange Conference IX: Teaching in the University of Tomorrow. Rice University, October 2014.

PUBLICATIONS

- "Finding Connects, Contexts, and Ourselves: Strategies for Moving Beyond Generalizations in the Ethnic Literature Classroom." Article published in *Multiethnic American Literatures: Essays for Teaching Context and Culture.* McFarland Press, 2015.
- Review of Alysson Hobbs's *A Chosen Exile* published in American Book Review 36.2 (February 2015).
- Review of Zareena Grewal's *Islam is a Foreign Country* published in American Studies 54.1 (Spring 2015).
- Hard-Won Hope: How American Authors Find Light in Our Darkest Histories, book manuscript under consideration with Rowman & Littlefield Press.
- Online pieces published on multiple sites, including more than 25 pieces at *Talking Points Memo*, more than 10 at *We're History*, and at least 5 each at *The Conversation* and the *Ethos Review*.

PRESENTATIONS

 "Doing More with Less: The Promise and Pitfalls of Short-Form Scholarship in the Digital History Age."
 Invited panel presentation at the American Historical Association Conference. NYC, January 2015.

- "Safe at Home?: The Ironic but Inspiring Victories of the Chinese Educational Mission Baseball Team." Panel presentation at the New England Historical Association Conference. Worcester, April 2015.
- "Strategies to Becoming a Prolific Writer." Invited roundtable presentation at the Northeast Modern Language Association Conference. Toronto, May 2015.
- "The Potential and Peril of Cross-Racial Connections in *Edith Eaton/Sui Sin Far.*" Invited panel chair and commentator at the American Literature Association Conference. Boston, May 2015.

David Rice

EXERCISE AND SPORTS SCIENCE

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

- Garcia JM, Cox DJ, Rice DJ. "Associations of Physiological and Psychological Health Outcomes with Physical Activity and Sedentary Behavior in Adults with Type 2 Diabetes." Submitted. *Preventing Chronic Disease*.
- Garcia JM, Sirard JR, Deutsch NJ, Rice DJ, Weltman A. "The Influence of Friends and Psychosocial Factors on Physical Activity and Screen Time in Overweight and Normal Weight Adolescents: A Mixed Methods Analysis." Under Review. *Research Quarterly In Exercise and Sports Science*.
- Garcia JM, Agaronov A, Sirard J, Rice DJ, Weltman A. "Social and Psychological Influences on Sedentary Behavior and Screen Time in Adolescents." Under Review. Annals of Behavioral Medicine.
- Garcia JM, Healy S, Rice DJ. "Individual, Social, and Environmental Factors Associated with Physical Activity and Screen Time in Irish Children: Growing Up in Ireland Study." Under Review. *Journal of Physical Activity and Health*.

PRESENTATIONS

 Research poster presentation at the 2015 American College of Sports Medicine National Conference, San Diego, CA. Rice DJ, Garcia JM, Sirard JR, Weltman A. "The Association of Friends' Activity with Adolescents' Physical Activity and Sedentary Behavior." June, 2015.

GRANTS

• Received a Fitchburg State University Special Projects Grant to fund a student research project examining the effects of a popular energy drink on mood and aerobic capacity, Fitchburg State University, MA, May, 2015.

Community Service

 Arranged for and supervised a blood pressure screening clinic conducted by Exercise and Sports Science students at the Fitchburg High School Health Fair, October, 2015.

Sarefield, Daniel ECONOMICS, HISTORY & POLITICAL SCIENCE

Scholarship

PRESENTATIONS

- Presented a scholarly paper, "Book Burning after Augustus," at the Symposium on the Age of Augustus, sponsored by the University of Verona, held at Gazzo Veronese, Italy in June 2014, and at the international conference Commemorating Augustus: A Bi-millennial Re-evaluation, held at the University of Leeds in England in August 2014. Currently revising this work for publication.
- Served as a panelist for "Robert Cormier: Censorship and Intolerance." A Symposium, held at Fitchburg State University in October 2015.

Creative Activity

• Studied the ukulele in the Fitchburg State University Foundation Music Program and performed the songs "Aba Daba Honeymoon" (Arthur Fields and Joseph Donovan, 1914) and "Ukulele Lady" (Gus Kahn and Richard A. Whiting, 1925) in the student recital held on April 26, 2015.

Community Service

• Serves as a member of the Fitchburg Board of License Commissioners. Chairman of the Board, January 2016.

Renee Scapparone BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

 Published book review of Assessing Conditions to Enhance Education Effectiveness: The Inventory for Student Engagement and Success by George D. Kuh, Jillian Kinzie, John H. Schuh, and Elizabeth J. Whitt, San Francisco, CA: John Wiley & Sons, 2005. Currents in Teaching and Learning; 7.2 (September 2015)

PRESENTATIONS

 Presented Civic Engagement and Problem Solving in Business and Technology as a Curriculum Scholar (AY2014/2015) for the Quality Collaborative Dyad with FSU and Mount Wachusett Community College in an effort to develop and refine civic and service learning experiences for students. Presented as part of the FSU Professional Development Day (May 2015)

Creative Activity

• November 2014, coached two students in for the Northeast Intercollegiate Sales Competition hosted by Bryant University, both made the quarter finals and one advanced to the semi-finals round.

Service Learning Projects

• Fall 2014 semester, implemented student engagement work through Working Cities Grant; BSAD 3200 Principle of Management students conducted project management along with Fitchburg City Councilors to develop walkability paths in all six (6) city wards.

Community Service

- Served as a committee member for the annual Scapparone/Ficarra Memorial Golf Open benefiting the Arc of Opportunity's recreational program.
- Active in the coordination of the annual Westminster Town Benefit Day fundraising event that helps Westminster residents in need.
- Served on the Board of Directors for Our Father's House, a local non-profit that provides shelter and meals for the homeless.
- Presented at Leominster High School Career Day.

Ricky Sethi

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

- Balaji Polepalli Ramesh, Ricky J. Sethi, and Hong Yu, *Figure-Associated Text Summarization and Evaluation*, PLOS ONE, 2014.
- PRESENTATIONS
 - Ricky J. Sethi, "A Perceptually-Inspired Stochastic Framework for Video Search and Analysis, Perception Inspired Video Processing," ACM International Conference on Multimedia (ACM MM), 2014.
 - Presented "A Perceptually-Inspired Stochastic Framework for Video Search and Analysis, Perception Inspired Video Processing" at the 22nd ACM International Conference on Multimedia (ACM MM) at Orlando, FL, Nov 3 - 7 2014.

Charles Sides COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA

Scholarship

- 2014 Council for Programs in Technical and Scientific Communication (CPTSC) Award for Excellence in Program Assessment (first time an individual was selected for this honor)
- 2015 Council for Programs in Technical and Scientific Communication (CPTSC) Award for Excellence in Program Assessment Committee (committee member)
- Executive Editor, Journal of Technical Writing and Communication (JTWC)
- Editor, Baywood's Technical Communication Series
- Books edited as Series Editor, Baywood's Technical Communication Series (all peer reviewed)
 - Exploding Technical Communication: Workplace

Literacy Hierarchies and Their Implications for Literacy Sponsorship. Dirk Remley, Kent State University, 2014

- The Flowering of a Tradition. Elizabeth Tebeaux, Texas A&M University, 2014
- The Other Kind of Funnies: Comics in Technical Communication. Han Yu, Kansas State University, 2015
- Issues edited as Executive Editor, *Journal of Technical Writing and Communication* (JTWC)
 - (peer reviewed, with exception of editorials)
 - 4 issues edited (2015 editorial year) as Executive Editor
 - 4 editorials written and published (2015 editorial year).

PUBLICATIONS

• "Internships: Past, Present, and Future." *Programmatic Perspectives*, Spring, 2015.

PRESENTATIONS

- "How to Prepare for External Review," Council for Programs in Technical and Scientific Communication (CPTSC), Colorado Springs, CO, September, 2014
- "Journal Editors Roundtable," Council for Programs in Technical and Scientific Communication (CPTSC), Colorado Springs, CO, September, 2014

Joshua Spero

ECONOMICS, HISTORY & POLITICAL SCIENCE

Scholarship

PRESENTATIONS

- Presented at the Fitchburg State University, Leadership & Development Series: "Simulating Crisis Management Decision-making" (March 2015)
- Presented to Montachusett Regional Planning Commission: "Partnership & Cost of Living Data Analysis Across Fitchburg-Leominster, MA" (February 2015)
- Discussant: Fitchburg State Center for Teaching and Learning, "Strategies to Minimize Unconstructive Student Behavior in Classes" (October 2014)

Service Learning Projects

 Participated at ceremony as part of Fitchburg State University's "29 Who Shine" – Chosen as Faculty member/mentor to accompany student honoree, Ms. Alexandra Valdez, to receive recognition by the Department of Higher Education at the Massachusetts Statehouse (May 2015)

Community Service

 Organized and hosted Brigadier-General Peter Zwack, US Army (Retired), Russia-Eurasia Geopolitical Expert & Consultant – "Russia Since the Reset: Challenges and Opportunities," as part of the Fitchburg State International Studies (IS) Minor Coordinator for the IS Keynote Speaker Series (April 2015)

- Panelist: Fitchburg State-Sentinel & Enterprise Co-Sponsored City of Fitchburg Mayoral Debate (September 2015)
- Panelist: Fitchburg State-*Sentinel & Enterprise* Co-Sponsored North Central MA State Senate Debate (October 2014)

David Svolba

HUMANITIES

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

• "Is There a Rawlsian Argument for Animal Rights?" Accepted / Forthcoming in *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice.*

PRESENTATIONS

• "Frankfurt on Moral Responsibility", Rowan University (Glassboro, NJ).

Elisabet Takehana

ENGLISH STUDIES

Scholarship

- Robert Cormier Symposium
 - Published a digital exhibit on censorship and writerly process from the Robert E. Cormier archive
 - Hosted a symposium with a reading, keynote speaker, and two panels all streamed via Zoom!

PUBLICATIONS

- "The Shape of Thought: Humanity in Digital, Literary Texts" forthcoming in *Comunicazioni sociali*
- "Can You Murder a Novel?" *Hybrid Pedagogy* (Summer 2015). Web.

PRESENTATIONS

- "The Aesthetic of the List: The Digital in Humanity's Literature " NeMLA (Northeast Modern Language Association) 47th Annual Convention, Hartford, March 2016.
- "The Shape of Thought: Humanity in Digital, Literary Texts." SWPACA (Southwest Popular/American Culture Association) 37th Annual Convention, Albuquerque, February 2015.
- "Print to Digital Novel: Is It Still a Novel?" ALA (American Literature Association) 26th Annual Convention, Boston, May 2015 (co-presented with Jonathan Jena, Matthew Ramsden, and Natasha Rocci)

Creative Activity

- The Alphabet Project Contributing Writer and Guest Editor
 - "On the Letter." (A 26 piece series on the history of the letter forms) Sentinel & Enterprise.

- 13 Jul. 11 Aug 2015: A2. Print.
- "Yeast." Sentinel & Enterprise.
 10 Aug 2015: A1. Print.
- "Standing Still." Sentinel & Enterprise. 3 Aug 2015: A1. Print.
- "Quality & Quantity." Sentinel & Enterprise.31 Jul. 2015: A1. Print.
- "Piano Cases." Sentinel & Enterprise.
 30 Jul. 2015: A1. Print.
- "Paper." Sentinel & Enterprise. 30 Jul. 2015:
 A1. Print. (under the pseudonym, Lilja Legrain)
- "Leominster's Combs." Sentinel & Enterprise.
 25 Jul. 2015: A1. Print. (co-authored with Logan Miles)
- "Henrietta Leavit." Sentinel & Enterprise.
 21 Jul. 2015: A1. Print.
- "Got Grit?" Sentinel & Enterprise.
 20 Jul. 2015: A1. Print.
- "Baby Carriage." Sentinel & Enterprise.
 14 Jul. 2015: A1. Print.

Donald Tarallo COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA

Creative Activity

- Street Modulations; Solo exhibition and public lecture on Italian-inspired typeface design at the Gene J. DeFeudis Italian-American Cultural Center in Worcester, MA.
- Street Modulations; Solo exhibition on Italian-inspired typeface design at Bridgewater State University, MA
- Faculty Exhibition; group exhibition Fitchburg State University, MA

Community Service

- "Ideas that Matter" grant and "People's Voice" award given by SAPPI papers in support of graphic design work done for the Worcester Regional Environmental Council's food justice programs.
- Graphic design for Community MusicWorks in Providence.
- Graphic design for ARTES (Art as a Vehicle for Education and Social Inclusion) and the National Carlo Collodi foundation, Italy

Stephen Taylor COMPUTER SCIENCE

Scholarship

PRESENTATIONS

• "Palestinian Arabic Regional Accent Recognition " with Abualsoud Hanani, Hanna Basha, Yasmeen Sharaf, The 8th International Conference on Speech Technology and Human-Computer Dialogue, Bucharest, Romania, October 2015

Teresa Fava Thomas ECONOMICS, HISTORY & POLITICAL SCIENCE

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

• Teresa Fava Thomas, *The Reluctant Migrants: Migration from the Italian Veneto to Central Massachusetts*, Teneo Press, New York, 2015.

PRESENTATIONS

- "Columbus Day 1938: Why Celebrate? Italian Americans in Massachusetts and the Hurricane of '38," conference paper presented to the Italian American Studies Conference, Washington, DC, October 16, 2015.
- "Occupation, Hunger, and Disease: the Great War as Experienced by the Women of Revine Lago in Italy and America" conference paper presented to the Living War: Thinking Peace 1914-1921 Women's experiences, feminist thought and international relations conference by the DEP, Deportate, esuli, profughe conferenza [Deportees, Exiles, Refugees International Conference] at Ca'Foscari in Venezia, Università Ca'Foscari in Venezia, Italia. [University of Ca'Foscari, Venice, Italy] November 27-28, 2014.
- "The Reluctant Migrants Italians in America: Migration from northern Italy and the experiences of Italians in Massachusetts before the First World War and their wartime experiences." Part of the Center for Italian Culture at Fitchburg State University's "A Hundred Years of Italian Music and Culture" celebration, Kent Recital Hall, October, 2015.
- "From the Italian Veneto to Fitchburg: Italian Americans and Assimilation," presented at the Fitchburg Historical Society, Fitchburg, MA., April 2, 2015.

Samuel Tobin COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA

Scholarship

• Interview and feature for OMM.tv Sendung 7 -January 2015

PUBLICATIONS

• "Cocktail Cabinets: A Critique of Digital and Ludic Essentialism" *Analog Games Studies*, volume-ii-issue-i, January 2015

PRESENTATIONS

- "Back to the Bar: The Return and/or Persistence of Bar Based Video Game Play" Extending Play 2, Rutgers University, New Brunswick NJ, April 2015
- Guest Speaker at MIT Game Lab's Game Studies Lunch/Education Arcade Series. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, March 2015
- "Beyond the SIR-II: The Pedagogic Power of Student Evaluations" Center for Teaching and Learning, Fitchburg State University, March 2015

- "GamerGate Today" Panel discussion. Fitchburg State University, February 2015
- "Games as a Vocation the Relation between Game Design and Game Studies" International Week, Hochschule der Medien, Stuttgart Germany, November 2014
- "Homemade Titans and Chinese Space Marines" Fitchburg State University Speakers Series. November 2014

Kisha Tracy ENGLISH STUDIES

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

- "Julian of Norwich and the Sin of Forgetting." *Journal* of Medieval Religious Cultures. 41.2 (2015): 148-62.
- "Memory, Recollection, and Forgetting in the Middle Ages." *Medieval Culture: A Compendium of Critical Topics*. Ed. Albrecht Classen. Fundamental Aspects and Conditions of the European Middle Ages (New York/ Berlin: de Gruyter, 2015): 1020-38.
- Tracy, Kisha, Ian Wilkins, and Jennifer Spain. "Leveraging 'Quick' Technologies to Enliven the Page." *The Leaflet*. New England Association of Teachers of English. 112.2 (2014): 27-32.
- Tracy, Kisha, and Jennifer Fielding. "Information Literacy: From Today's Critical Challenges to Tomorrow's Critical Thinking Opportunities." *The Exchange*. New England Faculty Development Consortium (2014).

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- "Mental Disabilities and the Saint"; Session: "Disability and Saints' Lives," Society for the Study of Disability in the Middle Ages; 50th International Congress on Medieval Studies; Kalamazoo, MI; May 2015
- Panelist, Roundtable; "Students, Period"; Session: "Unsettled Marks: To #;()@?":—*!... and Beyond!," Grammar Rabble; 50th International Congress on Medieval Studies; Kalamazoo, MI; May 2015
- "Redesigning Course Learning Outcomes to Improve Teaching and Learning"; College Reading and Learning Association Northeast Chapter 2015 Annual Spring Conference; Fitchburg State University; March 2015
- "Information Literacy from Rubric to Assignment Design"; AAC&U General Education 2015 Conference; Kansas City, MO; February 2015
- "Leveraging 'Quick' Technologies to Enliven the Page"; 2014 New England Association of Teachers of English; Mansfield, MA; October 2014 (Co-presentation with two students)
- "Rethinking Information Literacy from the Student Perspective"; 44th Annual Conference of the International Society for Exploring Teaching and Learning; Denver, CO; October 2014
- "A College Guide to Wikis"; The Teaching Professor Technology Conference; Denver, CO; October 2014



COLLOQUIA

- Invited Lecturer, 16th Annual Medieval Studies Secondary Schools Outreach; "Reducere ad Memoriam: Confession, Memory, and the Roles of Confessor"; University of Connecticut; April 10, 2015
- Guest Speaker, Fitchburg State University Speakers Series; "Maternal Lament and Misremembering"; February 23, 2015

AWARDS

 Awardee, New England Association of Teachers of English Mini-Grant, "Chaucer Pilgrimage Site"; Spring 2015

Heather Urbanski

ENGLISH STUDIES

Scholarship

PRESENTATIONS

- Presented (Popular Culture/American Culture Association, April 2015; paper title: "A Narrative Case for Marvel Cinematic Universe & other Genre Franchises"). Won the award for Best Faculty/ Independent Scholar Paper from the Science Fiction and Fantasy Area.
- Two regional conferences (New England Popular Culture Association, November 2014; paper title: "Social and Cultural Memory in *The Hunger Games* Saga" and Northeast MLA, May 2015; paper title: "Writing about Writing").
- Participated on six panel discussions at the 2015 Arisia Science Fiction Convention in Boston ("Fairy tales on Film and TV"; "Marvel Cinematic (and TV) Universe, 2015"; "TV Writing: Sci-Fi/Fantasy/Horror/Genre"; "Outlander: Scotland, Romance, and Time Travel"; "Fear Is the Mind-Killer: Dune at Fifty"; and "Topical, Typical, and Trope-ical").

Creative Activity

• February 2015, organized a symposium on GamerGate, a quasi-coordinated effort that began in August 2014 among online gamers on social media to target (primarily female) game critics, journalists, and developers. Invited Michael Trice, a scholar from MIT, to present his original research into how the aggressive, decentralized, and anonymous nature of GamerGate framed its presence online, and then conducted a roundtable among myself, Trice, Samuel Tobin, from Game Studies, and Kyle Moody, from Communications Media.

Susan Wadsworth HUMANITIES

Scholarship

• Japan Studies Institute Fellowship to travel to Japan for 2-3 weeks in July 2015

PRESENTATIONS

 "Rocks and Ruins: An Artist's Sabbatical in the Southwest" for Eric Budd's FSU Speaker series, May 4, 2015.

Creative Activity

• Sabbatical for the fall of 2014: visited fifteen national and state parks out west, drew their landscape forms and studied indigenous ruins. Created sixty works on paper, large and small, during the trip and upon return to my studio.

EXHIBITIONS

- Inner Resonance: WCA at the community gallery of the Fitchburg Art Museum, April 2015. Worked with CM Judge and others to conceive and curate this exhibition.
- Women's Caucus for Art, NH: Twenty Years, a Celebration, Pease Public Library, Plymouth, NH, March through April, 2015.
- Southern Vermont Artists Summer Members Show, September 2015.

Jeffrey Warmouth COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA

Scholarship

- Visiting Artist / Scholar, American Academy in Rome, Italy
- Received Marion and Jasper Whiting Foundation Fellowship, Boston, MA
- Received Faculty Award for Research & Scholarship, Fitchburg State University, Fitchburg, MA

Creative Activity

- Exhibited interactive video installation *JeffuBurger* and gave artist talk at the 404 International Festival of Art & Technology, hosted by the National University of Rosario, Argentina
- Exhibited video game *Multi-Jeffu Joust* and video Fluid Bodies in 2015 Faculty Show, Fitchburg State University
- Exhibited in the group exhibition *ArtVenice Biennale 3*, The Biennial Project, Venice, Italy
- Exhibited *Fluid Bodies* in the group exhibition *FUTURE* and *BEHIND, CON-TEMPORARY 5*, Calle di Mezzo, Venice, Italy
- Exhibited interactive installation A Work With Only One Property in the group exhibition Intelligent Objects, Creative Arts Workshop, New Haven, CT, curated by George Fifield]
- Exhibited photograph *Corn Dog* in the group exhibition *Recent Acquisitions: Photography,* Fitchburg Art Museum, Fitchburg, MA
- Showed Human Testbrix and Locomotion Studies at Art on the Marquee, Boston Convention & Exhibition Center, Boston, MA
- Screened *Fluid Bodies at 7th Cairo Video Festival,* Cairo, Egypt
- Screened Fluid Bodies at *SLIDELUCK Boston*, Microsoft NERD Center, Cambridge, MA

Daniel Welsh

BIOLOGY AND CHEMISTRY

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

Published article in January 2015 volume of *Journal* of Fish Biology (scientific journal) Full citation: D.
 P. Welsh and R. C. Fuller. 2015. Size and shape of anal and dorsal fins in the blackstripe topminnow, *Fundulus notatus. Journal of Fish Biology* vol. 86 pages 217–227.

PRESENTATIONS

• Presented poster presentation entitled "Size and shape of anal and dorsal fins in the blackstripe topminnow, *Fundulus notatus*" at the Ecological Society of America's research conference (August 2015).

Amy Wehe MATHEMATICS

MATHEMATICS

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

• Textbook, *Informal Geometry*, Kendall Hunt Publishing Company. July 2015.

Community Service

• Middle School Math Circle at McKay Arts Academy with the help of several Fitchburg State University students.

Richard Wiebe

BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

- (Peer reviewed) Cleveland, H. H., Weibe, R. P., McGuire, J. K., & Zheng, Y. (2015). Predicting the drinking of minority adolescents from their exposure to White schoolmates: Differences and similarities among Hispanic, Black and Asian adolescents. *Journal* of Ethnicity in Substance Abuse, 14, 166-186.
- (Book chapter) Beaver, K. M., Vaughn, M. G., DeLisi, M., Wright, J. P., Wiebe, R. P., Cleveland, H. H., & Walsh, A. (2014). The heritability of common risk and protective factors to crime and delinquency. In M. DeLisi & K. M. Beaver (Eds.), *Criminological theory: A life-course approach* (2nd ed.) (pp. 99-114). Burlington, MA: Jones & Bartlett.

PRESENTATIONS

• Wiebe, R. P., Cleveland, H. H., & Stuewig, J. (2015, March). *Is the connection between infant temperament and childhood behavior problems moderated by extreme parenting and/ or temperament?* Society for Research in Child Development, Philadelphia, PA.

Jiang Yu EARTH & GEOGRAPHIC SCIENCES

Scholarship

- Served as a Chief Reader Associate with the College Board & Educational Testing Service for the AP Physics program. 2015 AP Physics Reading was held in Kansas City, MO, June 2-8.
- Served as a member of the higher education faculty on the grade standard setting panel for the College Board on the newly implemented AP Physics 1 and 2 Exams in June 2015.
- Serves as a College Board certified physics workshop consultant. In the 2014/2015 academic year, led two one- and two-day workshops for in-service physics teachers in Massachusetts and Taxes by the College Board, two teacher training workshops by the Massachusetts Math and Science Initiative, two by the A+ College Ready program in Alabama, and one by the Advance Kentucky in Louisville.
- Serves as a curriculum advisor with the Educational Policy Research and Improvement at the Univ. of Oregon for the AP Physics 1 and Physics 2 Course Audit program.
- Participated in the PARCC judgement study in Dec. 2014. PARCC is the Massachusetts evaluation program for the Common Core Math program for K-12 education.

Community Service

• Served as a juror for the United States Invitational Young Physicist Tournament held at Woodbury Forest School in Virginia, Jan. 30-Feb. 1, 2015.







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