

DEAN'S OFFICE DIGEST

April 11, 2016

Great news! The SACS-COC On-Site Accreditation Team, after three days of meetings with faculty and staff across the university in late March, applauded our learning outcomes and new QEP, "Transcending Boundaries." Thanks to everyone for your sustained commitment to enriching our learning outcomes as embodied in our collective SACS work. Meanwhile, this past Friday over 400 prospective students, along with their families, learned more about college courses and student life thanks to the great panels, tours and presentations that so many of you provided, along with your warm welcomes. The next round of prospective students arrives **Friday, April 22**. Meanwhile, please consider signing up for a section of FYE 101, the research-based collaborative, team-taught 1-credit pilot course. We need your help in ensuring our students have the optimal support for their transition to college (see below for more info). Hope to see you at today's faculty meeting and may your grading be effortless across these next few weeks.



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REMINDER: COLLEGE FACULTY MEETING TODAY

The April College Faculty Meeting will be held today at 3:30 p.m. in Pugh Auditorium. This meeting will include faculty votes on the candidates for graduation in May, a posthumous degree policy and a minor in Biomaterials Science and Engineering. Will Fleeson, Collegiate Senators Chair, will share his report on the activities of the University Senate and Ron Wellman, Athletic Director, will present his report from Athletics. We look forward to seeing you this afternoon!

SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING BLITZ

From **Monday, April 11 to Friday, April 15**, the Wake Forest University Counseling Center will be conducting a Suicide Prevention Training each day in hopes of training over 250 people during the week. Students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to come learn how to identify and help members of our community who are most in need of mental health services. <http://pdc.wfu.edu/events/2110/>



ONE MORE CHANCE FOR BREAKFAST WITH THE DEAN

There are a couple of spaces still available for the final breakfast of the semester on **April 28 at 7:30 a.m.** Please sign up using this link: [Breakfast with the Dean](#). These breakfasts have been great opportunities to get to know each other better and talk about the college. I look forward to sharing this time with you. MG



FACULTY GOVERNANCE

Unfortunately, as we approach final exams, it is a fact of life that some of our students will attempt to use technological devices to cheat. Many faculty members already prohibit the use or possession of mobile phones during exams, but unfortunately the use of other devices, such as Apple Watches (and comparable products) have become more common. While it may seem invasive to students, it would be wise to require students to surrender any such devices prior to taking an exam, or even better, not to bring them to the exam at all.



It would also be a good idea to remind students that it is their responsibility to know how to cite properly in writing research papers. We hope your finals period remains incident free! But if not, please remember that the Honor Code is always in effect and any suspected incidences of academic misconduct should be reported to Professor Barry Maine, the Judicial Liaison for possible reference to the Honor and Ethics Council for adjudication.

ACADEMIC ADVISING

Do you enjoy first-year students? Want to engage in a research-based and collaborative classroom effort to promote success in the college transition? Want to help build knowledge and skills for academic success, cultural competence, and wellbeing in an academic setting?



Consider teaching a section of FYE 101:

FYE 101. (1h) The College Transition. Exploration of issues related to academic success, living in community, and wellbeing in the transition to college. Emphasizes principles, understanding, and skills to promote a successful college transition. First-year students only. Pass/Fail only. For details, read the FYE 101 course proposal [here](#). Contact Christy Buchanan (buchanan@wfu.edu) if you are interested or have questions.

HONORS SEMESTER IN SANTIAGO, CHILE

We wanted to let faculty know of an exciting new opportunity for study abroad in the hopes that you can share this opportunity with your students. In Fall semester 2016 a select number of WFU students will have the opportunity to participate in **Wake Forest University Chile: Honors Semester** in Santiago, Chile.



The program includes a seminar experience linked to an independent research project in a tutorial setting with intensive individual instruction and class work, including Spanish language classes. Students can complete the entire Latin American Studies Minor while in Chile and those who complete the program will be awarded Honors in Latin American and Latino Studies (LALS). This program is the only way to achieve such a distinction. All majors can apply. **This is a Wake Program, so no worries about financial aid or credit transfers!!** All Wake Forest financial aid applies to program costs and there are additional scholarships available to help offset the cost of the program. The cost of airfare and all trips are included in the program price (which is the same as being on the Reynolda campus!). **The program will include travel and excursions, the highlight of which is a trip to Cuzco, Peru and the fabulous archaeological**

If students are interested in applying please direct them to the Center for Global Programs and Studies <http://global.wfu.edu/> and follow the "Study Abroad" tab. The program will admit students on a rolling basis, but they are encouraged to apply as soon as possible. Please contact Program Director Peter Siavelis at siavelpm@wfu.edu or 336-758-5451 if you have any questions or want more information.

FACULTY APARTMENTS

As you begin planning next year's academic programs, don't forget that the College has two 2-bedroom apartments available for short-term stays (days, weeks, or in some cases, even a month) for visiting scholars and seminar speakers. These apartments are available on a first-come, first-serve basis and can be reserved up to a year in advance, as approved by the dean (\$75/night; \$300/week; \$960 for one month). To request a reservation, write Melanie Hylton at hyltonmn@wfu.edu detailing the purpose of the visit, dates sought, and the person responsible for payment.



TWO STUDENTS EARN GOLDWATER SCHOLARSHIP HONORS

Angela Harper, a junior physics major from Downingtown, Pa., was recently selected as one of 252 students from around the country to earn a Goldwater Scholarship for the 2016-2017 academic year. The Goldwater Scholars were selected on the basis of academic merit from a field of 1,150 mathematics, science, and engineering students who were nominated by the institutional representatives of 415 colleges and universities nationwide. The Goldwater Scholarship is the premier undergraduate award of its type in these fields.

Angela, who credits mentors Jacque Fetrow and Oana Jurchescu as well as other teachers here, will complete an REU at Cornell University this summer and plans to enter a doctoral program in physics after college. Sophomore Elizabeth Sarkel, of Hilliard, Ohio, earned Honorable Mention in the 2016 Goldwater competition.



ACCOMPLISHED EDUCATION GRADUATES RECEIVE W-S FOUNDATION AWARDS

Virginia Browne (BA, 2010; MAEd, 2015) received a \$2,500 grant from the Winston-Salem Foundation to support her participation in a French immersion experience in Vichy,

France this summer offered by the CAVILAM-Alliance Française. During the three-week program in France, Virginia will be engaged in language, cultural, and pedagogical experiences with other French teachers from the US and will be hosted by a French family. Virginia teaches Levels I-IV French at Glenn High School in Kernersville, North Carolina.



Amber Alford (MAEd, 2009) received a \$2,500 grant from the Winston-Salem Foundation to support her understanding of Mesoamerica by traveling to Peru for seven days. She will travel around the country, stopping in Lima, Cuzco, and Machu Picchu, immersing herself in Peruvian history and culture. As a result of this trip, she will be more able to engage her students in her instruction on Latin America. Amber teaches at Walkertown High School in Walkertown, North Carolina.

RECENT GRADUATE WINS RANGEL GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP



Alumna Victoria Hill ('12) is a 2016 recipient of the Charles Rangel Graduate Fellowship for study in international relations and foreign and governmental affairs. Victoria, who previously earned the Austrian Diplomacy Fulbright Scholarship, has been working in Wake Forest Admissions for several years. This fall she will enter graduate school in preparation for work in the Foreign Service. According to the Rangel Fellowship program, "The Rangel Graduate Fellowship aims to attract and prepare outstanding young people for careers in the Foreign Service in which they can help formulate, represent and implement U.S. foreign policy. The Rangel Program will select 30 outstanding Rangel Fellows annually in a highly competitive nationwide process and helps support them through two years of graduate study, internships and professional development activities, and entry into the Foreign Service."

TECH TIP: PROJECTOR BROKEN? NO PROJECTOR? NO PROBLEM!



From Rick Matthews, Director of Academic and Instructional Technology

Have you ever arrived for class to find the projector is not working? Do you need to hold a meeting in a room without a projector? Learn how to use WebEx as an alternative, in two and a half minutes: [Projector Broken Plan B](#).

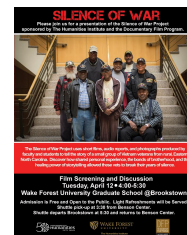
Upcoming Events

Monday, April 11, 5:30 p.m.; DeTamble Auditorium, Tribble Hall

No Más Bebés. Documentary about the unauthorized sterilization of Latinas in LA. Discussion moderated by Dr. Ana Wahl. Co-sponsored by the Pro Humanitate Institute.

Tuesday, April 12, 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.; WFU Grad School, Brookstown

The Silence of War: A Humanities Matters Presentation. The Silence of War Project uses short films, audio reports, and photographs produced by faculty and students to tell the story of a small group of Vietnam veterans from rural, Eastern North Carolina. Discover how shared personal experience, the bonds of brotherhood, and the healing power of storytelling allowed these vets to break their years of silence.



Sponsored by the WFU Humanities Institute, with funding made possible in part by a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Documentary Film Program. This event is free and open to the public, and light refreshments will be served. There is a shuttle pick-up at 3:30 p.m. from the Benson Center. The shuttle departs Brookstown at 5:30 p.m. and returns to the Benson Center. Please encourage your students and colleagues to attend!

[Event Flyer](#)

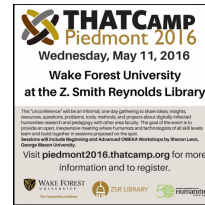
Monday, April 25, 4:00 p.m.; Kulynych Auditorium

Hubert McNeill Poteat Lecture. Miles Silman, Andrew Sabin Family Foundation Professor of Conservation Biology, and Director of the Center for Energy, Environment, and Sustainability will present the seventeenth lecture on "Real-World Sustainability and the Future of Andean and Amazonian Biodiversity." A reception will take place following the lecture. Click [here](#) for the



**Wednesday, May 11, 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.; ZSR Library, 404
(Auditorium)**

THATCamp - "The Humanities and Technology Camp." is an unconference: an open, inexpensive meeting where humanists and technologists of all skill levels learn and build together in sessions proposed on the spot.



An unconference is to a conference what a seminar is to a lecture, what a party at your house is to a church wedding, what a pick-up game of Ultimate Frisbee is to an NBA game, what a jam band is to a symphony orchestra: it's more informal and more participatory. Don't miss this great opportunity to interact with colleagues from across the Piedmont! Register today at

<http://piedmont2016.thatcamp.org/>

Deadlines from the Office of the Registrar

Tuesday, May 10 - Graduating seniors' grades due by noon. WIN grading turned off at 12:00 p.m. to process graduating seniors' grades.

Wednesday, May 11 - Online grading resumes after noon.

Tuesday, May 17 - Non-graduating student grades due by noon.

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To share news or events with the College Faculty, contact Melanie Hylton in the Office of the Dean of the College. The next issue will be sent on Monday, April 25. Submissions are due on Tuesday, April 19 by 5:00 p.m.

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