

TO: Faculty Senate Report
FROM: Joseph H. Dreisbach, Ph.D.
Interim Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
DATE: April 18, 2017
RE: Provost's Report for April

Updates on Faculty Hiring:

As of today, we have successfully completed six faculty searches for the next academic year.

Bryon Applequist	Exercise Science & Sport
Joel Kemp	Theology/RS
Tiffany Bordonada	Counseling & Human Services
Jong-Hyun Son	Biology
John Kilker	Communication
Leona Sparaco	Mathematics

Tenure and Promotion:

The following is a list of faculty members who have been promoted and/or received tenure effective in the fall of 2017:

Professor	Department
Michael Allison	Political Science
Rita Fleming Castaldi	Occupational Therapy
Jamie Trnka	World Languages & Cultures

Associate Professor	
Jason Graham	Mathematics
Debra Fetherman	Exercise Science & Sport

Associate Professor/Tenure	
Aram Balagyozyan	Economics/Finance
Taewan Kim	Management/Marketing/Entrepreneurship
Christos Pargianas	Economics/Finance
Jill Warker	Psychology

Tenure	
Michael Jenkins	Sociology, Criminal Justice & Criminology
Ann Feeney	Nursing

Faculty Development:

Provost Enhancement Awards: Nine Excellence Awards were presented at the Faculty Appreciation Day dinner held on April 6th. This year's recipients were:

Kimberly A. Subasic, Ph.D.	Excellence in the Scholarship of Teaching & Learning
Michael J. Jenkins, Ph.D.	Excellence in Scholarly Publication
Stephen E. Whittaker, Ph.D.	Excellence for University Service and Leadership
Cyrus P. Olsen, III, Ph.D.	Excellence in Advancing Interdisciplinary Study
Ann A. Pang-White, Ph.D.	Excellence in Advancing Global Learning
Maria J. Oreshkina, Ph.D.	Excellence in Integrating Diversity in Learning
Patricia L. Wright, Ph.D.	Excellence in Integrating Mission and Justice into the Curriculum
Rebecca S. Beal, Ph.D.	Excellence in Adapting Classic Principles of Jesuit Pedagogy into the Curriculum: The Magis

Summer 2017 Grants:

Dr. Sean Brennan	<i>Ike's Man at the UN: Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr. and the United Nations 1953-1961</i>
Dr. Arthur Catino	<i>A New Method for the Preparation of Tetraarylmethanes</i>
Dr. Daniel Haggerty	<i>Developing Philosophy Curriculum for the RN to BSN Program at The University of Scranton</i>
Dr. Michael Jenkins	<i>International Police and Civil Society Organizations in Peacekeeping</i>
Dr. Barry Kuhle	<i>On the Origin of the Evolution Revolution: Conversations with the Pioneers of Evolutionary Psychology, Biology, and Anthropology</i>
Dr. Matthew Meyers	<i>A Phenomenology of Nietzsche's Free Spirit</i>
Dr. Patricia Wright	<i>Certified Hospice and Palliative Nurse (CHPN) Certification and Practice Review</i>

Strategic Initiatives Funding:

I am pleased to announce that the Fr. Quinn upon the recommendation of the University's Planning Committee have approved the first "Strategic Initiatives" Awards. The Strategic Initiatives Fund is intended to identify and support innovative projects that will advance the goals of the University's Strategic Plan. We received 25 proposals totaling \$550,000 and funded 14 awarding \$254,293. Please see attachments for list of winning projects.

Charles Pinches	Uganda Conference & Intersession Courses	\$28,000
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Helen Wolf	In Solidarity with Syria Programming	9,428
Christine Whitney	Scranton Connections Program	22,000
Joseph Dreisbach	International Student ESL Support Program	45,700
Shannon Murphy Fennie	Student Leadership Capstone Program	2,000
Rebecca Beal	Scranton big Read Matching Grant	4,690
Jason Wimmer	Mediation of Collegiate Hall	50,000
Lisa Hall Zielinski	SBDC Internship Program Communications Campaign	7,500
Abhijit Roy	India MKT and T/RS Intersession Travel Course	6,000
Julie Schumacher Cohen	Center for Community Based Learning	45,500
Marian Farrell	EP II Pedagogy Development	12,000
Alexander Pinarreta	San Lucas Guatemala Water Filter	400
Rebecca Haggerty	STEAM Activities for School/Community Groups	2,875
Sharon Hudacek	CLN Nursing Academic Practice Partnership	18,500

Alpha Sigma Nu:

Sixty-nine students were inducted into Alpha Sigma Nu, the national honor society for students in Jesuit colleges and universities, at a ceremony held on April 2nd. Mary Engel, Ph.D., was presented with the Edward Gannon, S.J. Teacher of the Year Award.

Fulbright Nominations:

Three of our eight Fulbright applicants made it to the National Semi-Finals. I am pleased to announce that Albena Gesheva was awarded a Fulbright research grant to Germany, Janel Harach is an alternate for a Fulbright to Columbia. Unfortunately, the program that Summer Vaughan applied to in Ireland was suspended this year.

Fellowships and Scholarships:

I am delighted to announce that Matthew Reynolds a Biochemistry, Cell and Molecular Biology and Biophysics major has been named a 2017 Goldwater Scholar. This year 1,286 students from 470 institutions were nominated for this scholarship. The Foundation named 240 new Goldwater Scholars and identified 307 students as Honorable Mentions.

Faculty Handbook:

The Faculty Handbook Committee, the FPC and the faculty have recommended language changes for the *Faculty Handbook* in the following: Section 25.2 Appeals in Terminal Year and Section 23.0 Application for Promotion, 23.2 Applicant's Responsibility within Department, 23.5 Individual Recommendation, and Appendix I: Standard Operation Procedures for the Board on Rank and Tenure. I will included the language changes in my report to the Board of Trustees Education Committee in May.

The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs:

We will be celebrating the 17th Annual Celebration of Student Scholars on May 11th in the Loyola Science Center. Students will present their work (thesis research, FSRP research, President's Fellowship for Summer Research, research or other scholarly projects carried out as independent and extramural research) in the form of a poster presentation

Rankings:

U.S. News & World Report ranked The University of Scranton’s MBA program among the nation’s “Best Graduate Schools” in the 2018 edition of the guidebook, which became available online March 14. In addition, several of Scranton’s master’s degree programs were among a complete list of graduate school rankings exclusively published online by *U.S. News*. Scranton’s graduate programs ranked include: rehabilitation counseling (24); healthcare management (42); physical therapy (53); occupational therapy (58); nurse anesthesia (65); part-time MBA program (122) and nursing (155).

Approved Curriculum:

New Program	Date Posted
Physiology, BS	9/23/16
DBA	1/30/17
Business Analytics Minor	11/9/16
Business Analytics Concentration	11/9/16
Program Change	
RN to BSN remove Nutrition	11/10/16
Liberal Studies (PCPS)	1/31/17
EXSC 112: First-Aid & CPR	1/31/17
MS in Special Education	1/31/17
Liberal Studies (CAS)	11/10/16
Associate Degree in Electrical Engineering	11/10/16
Mathematics, BA	11/15/17
Mathematics, BS	11/15/17
Adult Gerontology Program	12/19/16
Curriculum & Instruction Supervision Program	1/31/17
Applied Mathematics	4/7/17
Mathematics, BA	4/7/17
Mathematics, BS	4/7/17
Biomathematics – Pre-Health Track	4/7/17
Biomathematics-Research Track	4/7/17
Information Technology	3/4/17
Computer Information Systems	3/4/17
Computer Science	3/4/17
Program Deletion	
Rehab Counseling/CJ Concentration	2/13/17
New Course	
ESPC 562: Assessment in Applied Behavior Analysis	12/19/16
ESPC 564: Advanced Principles of Behavior and Supervision	12/19/16
DBA 600: Applied Business Theory and Constructs	1/30/17
DBA 601: Applied Business Research Process & Design	1/30/17
DBA 602: Academic Governance	1/30/17

DBA 603: Applied Research Literature Review	1/30/17
DBA 604: Applied Research Methods I	1/30/17
DBA 605: Ignatian Seminar I	1/30/17
DBA 606: Applied Fraud Research Seminar	1/30/17
DBA 607: Applied Research Methods II	1/30/17
DBA 608: Ignatian Seminar II	1/30/17
DBA 609: Applied Auditing Research Seminar	1/30/17
DBA 610: Applied Research Methods III	1/30/17
DBA 611: Applied Practice Research	1/30/17
DBA 612: Applied Dissertation Design	1/30/17
DBA 613: Teaching & Pedagogy	1/30/17
DBA 614: Applied Dissertation Research Proposal	1/30/17
DBA 615: Ignatian Seminar III	1/30/17
DBA 616: Applied Dissertation Research I	1/30/17
DBA 617: Applied Dissertation Research II	1/30/17
DBA 618: Applied Dissertation Research III	1/30/17
ENLT 270: Science Fiction & Utopian/Dystopian Literature	11/10/16
PHIL 305: Symbolic Logic	11/10/16
NURS 412: End of Life Care	12/19/16
NURS 567: Professional Practice of the Clinical Nurse Specialist	12/19/16
NURS 568: Advanced Application of the Prof. Practice of the Clinical Nurse Specialist	12/19/16
OIM/EC 463: Data Mining	7/5/16
OIM/MIS 542: Data Mining	7/5/16
PHIL 330: Philosophy of Crowds & Violence	1/13/17
ESPC 507B: Foundational Knowledge of Applied Behavioral Analysis	2/20/27
ESPC 541B: Principles of Behavior Change for Educators	2/20/17
CJ 231: Environmental Criminology	1/31/17
S/CJ 211: Research Methods & Statistics for the Social Sciences	3/3/17
CMPS 144L: Computer Science II Lab	3/4/17
CMPS 134L: Computer Science I Lab	3/4/17

Course Change

ESPC 536: Evidence-Based Practices for Students with HI Disabilities	1/31/17
EDUC 363: Foundations of Literacy II	12/19/16
EDUC 339: Math for Grades 2-4	12/19/16
CHEM 330: Organic Chemistry III	2/14/17
PS 240: Research Methods in Political Science	3/4/17
PS 330: Western Europe in World Affairs	3/4/17
PS 140: Scranton & the World	3/4/17
IT 120: Human Computer Interaction	3/4/17
CMPS 370: Computer Graphics	3/4/17
CMPS 144: Computer Science II	3/4/17
CMPS 134: Computer Science I	3/4/17

College of Arts and Sciences

- The department of Physics and Electrical Engineering hosted the 14th annual Kane Competition for high school physics and engineering students on April 4th in the Byron Center.
- We will be hosting the AAPT-CPS conference on April 21st. Dr. Matthew Farrar, Assistant Professor of Physics at Messiah College will be the keynote speaker.

Panuska College of Professional Studies

In recognition of the outstanding support provided to active members of the military and reserve, the U.S. Department of Defense's Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) presented its Seven Seals Award to The University of Scranton's graduate-level Nurse Anesthesia Program. Mike Jones, northeast area chair for ESGR, presented the award to the faculty of the Nurse Anesthesia Program at a ceremony on campus in March. The award is presented in recognition of significant individual or organizational achievement, initiative or support promoting the program's mission. The program was nominated for this award by student Bandon Coury, a former Marine infantryman and current Army Reserve commissioned officer who is finishing up his studies to become a certified registered nurse anesthetist.