

COLA Monthly

April 2021

Message from the Dean

Congratulations to this year's CoLA Awards recipients. We have so many accomplished faculty and staff in the college that it can be hard to select the top recipients. Great Job All!



CoLA Outstanding Faculty TET: Karen Lahm, *Sociology and Anthropology*
CoLA Outstanding Teaching TET: Amelia Hubbard, *Sociology and Anthropology*
CoLA Outstanding Research TET: Drew Swanson, *History*
CoLA Outstanding Professional Service TET: Noeleen McIlvenna, *History*
CoLA Outstanding Faculty NTE: Sarah McGinley, *English*
CoLA Outstanding Teaching NTE: Jamie Cordes, *Theatre, Dance and Motion Pictures*
CoLA Outstanding Service NTE: Cynthia Marshall Burns, *English*
CoLA Outstanding Adjunct: Sally Struthers, *Art and Art History*
CoLA Outstanding Staff: Carly Kimmins, *Theatre, Dance and Motion Pictures*

April is always the month that sees a hectic uptick in academic activities, as we all try to finish out the semester with a bang. This year most of the activities will be virtual, but there is a discernable increase in in-person events as more and more people become eligible for vaccination. We will hold small, socially distanced commencement ceremonies in the Nutter Center, and although we won't be able to shake students' hands, we will be able to see their big smiles and snazzy shoes in real life. I'm looking forward to it.

Enjoy the rest of the semester and some nice spring weather.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Linda Caron, Dean
College of Liberal Arts



CLASS Programs and Events

Building a Professional Network and Connecting with WSU Alumni

Wednesday, April 7, 1:15 - 2:00 pm

First Year on the Job Success

Thursday, April 15, Noon - 1:00 pm

NOTE: All CLASS Workshops are virtual via WebEx:

<https://wright.webex.com/meet/wayne.stark>



Planning underway to welcome back Wright State faculty, staff and students to campus this fall

Wright State University plans to welcome back students, faculty and staff to learn, teach and work on its Dayton and Lake Campuses this fall.

In an email sent to the campus community on March 10, President Sue Edwards announced that planning has begun to allow a larger percentage of students to have access to in-person classes and increased residence hall capabilities during Fall Semester, which begins Aug. 23.

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Class Action

Teaching English has given Teresa Troyer a magic carpet ride to more than a few foreign countries.

The Wright State University double-degree alumna has taught English to university students and professors in China, Indonesia and Turkey, to teens and K-12 teachers in Honduras, and to teachers in Colombia. She also taught in Slovakia.

"I feel alive when I am abroad," said Troyer

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Wright State will hold in-person commencement ceremonies this spring

"Commencement is a special day for graduates and their families," Edwards said. "I cherish watching our graduates beam with pride as they receive their diplomas in front of their families and friends."

College of Liberal Arts (combined with College of Nursing and Health Saturday, May 1 at 6 p.m.

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Wright State Theatre to present in-person outdoor production of 'Hamlet'

Wright State University Theatre will produce its first live performance in more than a year with "Hamlet: unloaded" by William Shakespeare Saturday, April 3, at 6 p.m. and Sunday, April 4, at 2 p.m.

Wright State's outdoor production of "Hamlet" will be performed on the Creative Arts Center loading dock to ensure physical distancing for the audience and cast.

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Life Support

Degrees in urban affairs and public administration, let William Lutz to a career in local government and now as the leader of one of the largest human service nonprofit organizations in the region.

In 2014, Lutz was named executive director of New Path Inc., which operates food pantries in Tipp City and Piqua, lends medical equipment, and provides emergency financial assistance for rent and utility bills.

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WSU Alum Kristen Johnson featured in the Dayton Daily News

Kristen studied Spanish and Art Education at Wright State where she earned a B.S. in Spanish and Art Education and a B.A. in Spanish Literature. At Wright State, Kristen also went on to earn a Master of Arts in Applied Behavioral Sciences.

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**CAMPUS SCHOLARSHIP &
INNOVATION CAMPAIGN**

A Legacy of Giving

“With the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, our students continue to face many challenges,” said Amy Jones, director of annual giving. “Many students have lost their part-time jobs during the pandemic and they’re struggling to pay for tuition, rent, and even the most basic of necessities like groceries and toiletries. They need our help now more than ever. By making a gift to a scholarship or student emergency fund during this year’s CSIC, Wright State faculty and staff can help our students when they need it the most.”

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New fundraising endeavors provide opportunities to support student scholarships amid ArtsGala cancellation

To encourage contributions to the ArtsGala Scholarship Fund, the College of Liberal Arts partnered with Global Love Dayton to create a limited-edition snow globe featuring some of the most iconic buildings and landmarks on Wright State's campus.

Only 250 snow globes will be available for purchase with proceeds going directly to the ArtsGala Scholarship Fund. Snow globes are \$125 each and can be pre-ordered online at wright.edu/snowglobes.

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