Message from the Dean

We’ve passed the midpoint in the semester, and that means an uptick in the number of events.

See below for announcements of a presentation by Dr. Yvan Ilunga on *Trouble and Hope in the Heart of Africa* on November 4, Paul Lockhart’s book talk on November 5, a presentation and interactive discussion about *Kristallnacht* on November 8, and an evening with the National Air and Space Intelligence Center on November 9. *Mamma Mia!* runs in the Festival Playhouse until November 14, and the Kris Graves photography exhibit is in the Stein Art Galleries until December 3, with a featured speaker on December 2. I’m sure there are events I’ve missed. One of the terrific things about being on a college campus is the opportunity to learn new things and experience new points of view.

And speaking of learning new things, please remind your students about our COLA Career Advancement I and II certificates. These certificates bundle together courses that emphasize the critical liberal arts skills valued by employers and necessary for high levels of success in the workplace. In most cases, the courses are part of the general education curriculum, so students can grab an extra credential without needing to take more courses. We hear a lot in higher education about stackable credentials - these certificates form the base of the stack. Here’s the link: [Career Advancement Skills I Certificate | Academic and Career Advising | College of Liberal Arts | Wright State University](#)

The COLA Reorganization Committee has been hard at work, and the report is being finalized. Once I receive the recommendations I will share them with the faculty. We will have ample time for discussions. One opportunity will be at our COLA faculty meeting on November 18 at 3:00 pm in 301 Millett.

Linda Caron, Dean
College of Liberal Arts

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CLASS Programs and Events

An Evening with the National Air and Space Intelligence Center - Millett Hall Atrium -
Tuesday, November 9, 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Leveraging Social Media for the Job and Internship Search
Tuesday, November 16, 10:30 am - 11:15 am

Building a Professional Network and Connecting with WSU Alumni
Monday, November 22, 12:45 pm - 1:30 pm

Salary and Benefits Negotiation
Tuesday, November 30, 2:15 pm to 3:00 pm

NOTE: Workshops are virtual via WebEx unless otherwise noted:
https://wright.webex.com/meet/wayne.stark

Bolinga Black Cultural Resources Center Presents:

Humanitarianism & Security in Africa:
Trouble & Hope at the Heart of Africa

Dr. Ilunga is an assistant professor of political science at Central State University. In this guest lecture, he examines current issues such as the ongoing violence in Ethiopia, Congo, and Yemen and introduces local African humanitarian practices to address these issues.

Dr. Yvan Ilunga

Accessibility Statement:
Wright State University is committed to providing universal access to all of our events. Please contact the Bolinga Black Cultural Resources Center at bolinga-center@wright.edu to request disability accommodations. Advance notice is necessary to arrange for some accessibility needs.
**BOOK TALK**

Friday 11/5/21 3:30pm
4th floor lobby * Millett

Acclaimed historian & Wright State professor Paul Lockhart will discuss the research behind his groundbreaking history of weapons.

Free & open to students, faculty, staff, & friends.

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**A VIRTUAL discussion co-sponsored by Sinclair Community College and Wright State University**

Monday, November 8, 2021 | 4:15 p.m.

**KRISTALLNACHT**

Please join us as we commemorate the 83rd anniversary Of Kristallnacht – the beginning of the violent suppression of Jews in Nazi Germany in the form of breaking Jewish store windows, the arrest of 30,000 Jewish men sent to concentration camps, and the destruction of all Jewish houses of worship throughout Germany. Brief presentation by local survivor and educator Renate Frydman, Ph.D., followed by guest presentation by Lisa Lefstein-Berusch of Facing History & Ourselves, an international organization that uses lessons of history to challenge teachers and their students to stand up to bigotry and hate. Breakout discussion groups will follow.
AN EVENING
with
NASIC
National Air and Space Intelligence Center
Presentation, Panel, and Networking

Tuesday, November 9th
5:30—7:30 pm
Millett Hall Atrium

Join the College of Liberal Arts and the Center for Liberal Arts Student Success (CLASS) as we host representatives from the National Air and Space Intelligence Center (NASIC). The evening will feature a presentation, a panel of NASIC professionals and COLA ALUMNI, followed by a networking session.

At this time, the event is scheduled to be in person and masked. If necessary, we will make accommodations to switch to a virtual format based on COVID-19 exigencies.

Participants Include:

David Bignell, Chief, Civilian Personnel Division
– Geography Alumnus, ‘89, COLA Past Adjunct Faculty, Dean’s Advisory Board –

Megan Gstattenbauer, Principal Technical Advisor, Civilian Personnel Team

Reeshemah James, Talent Acquisition Specialist

Panel of Intelligence Specialists:

Denise Lee – Political Science – ’16

Jared McPherson - International & Comparative Politics – ’14

Sara Miles – Global Security and Intelligence Studies – ’13 from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Betsy O’Ryan – International Studies – ’93, Political Science Professor – 2001-2008


Nicole Wise – International Studies – ’11
Wright State Theatre presents a long-delayed musical extravaganza, MAMMA MIA! October 29-November 14

Wright State University’s Department of Theatre, Dance and Motion Pictures presents the worldwide dance musical sensation MAMMA MIA! from October 29th - November 14th in the Festival Playhouse of Wright State’s Creative Arts Center.

For tickets and information contact: Wright State Theatre Box Office (937) 775-2500

Kris Graves Exhibition

The Robert and Elaine Stein Galleries at Wright State University will host a solo exhibition by photographer Kris Graves examining Black representation in art and systemic racism.

Graves' exhibition, titled “Truth and Ruin,” is on display from Oct. 18 to Dec. 3 in the Stein Galleries, 160 Creative Arts Center.

A closing reception and talk on “Black Political Thought and Antiracism: The Civic Radical Tradition” by Alex Zamalin will be Thursday, Dec. 2, at 11:30 a.m.

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