

COLA Monthly

December 2021

Message from the Dean

Can you believe it's almost December?

Dr. Sharon Lynette Jones will be moderating a webinar called "Reconsidering Angela Davis: Reflections on Engagement and Societal Transformations" on December 7, 2021 at 5 pm. This webinar is hosted by the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center in partnership with the English department at Wright State and The Ohio State University. Roundtable panelists are Dr. Kimberly Nichele Brown (Virginia Commonwealth University), Dr. Kimberly Lamm (Duke University), Dr. Jo-Ann Morgan (Western Illinois University), and Dr. Robyn Spencer (Lehman College of the City University of New York). More information and the link to register is below.



As you begin to plan for your Spring semester classes, don't forget about the forthcoming Undesign the Redline exhibition coming in February. This exhibit portrays the effects of redlining—within the United States, outlining areas with sizable Black populations in red ink on maps as a warning to mortgage lenders. This topic and exhibition will fit in any number of classes, and it is possible to schedule a class visit. More information is here: [Undesign the Redline | Department of Sociology and Anthropology | College of Liberal Arts | Wright State University](#)

The COLA Reorg committee has finished its work and issued a report, which was sent to everyone in the college. Discussions will continue through the early part of the spring semester, and we are on track to have it considered by the Board of Trustees at their February meeting.

The **College of Liberal Arts Dean's Leadership Board** awards multiple scholarships annually to deserving COLA students. The **Leadership Scholarship** recognizes COLA students who have shown and are engaged in leadership activities and the **Study Abroad Scholarship** is for COLA students planning to study abroad in the following academic year. Both scholarship applications are due by February 15 of each year, and both require letters of reference. Please encourage your students to apply.

This is the last *COLA Monthly* until the New Year, so let me take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and safe holiday break.



Linda Caron, Dean
College of Liberal Arts



CLASS Programs and Events

Salary and Benefits Negotiation

Tuesday, November 30, 2:15 pm - 3:00 pm

First Year on the Job Success

Thursday, December 2, 10:30 am - 11:15 am

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



Freedom Webinar

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[**For more details and to Register...**](#)



Dr. Damaris Serrano receives national Panamanian award for book on literature

The University of Panama has honored Damaris Serrano, Ph.D., associate professor of [Spanish at Wright State University](#), with a national award for her book on Panamanian literature.

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WSU Theatre presents regional premiere of 'Circle Mirror Transformation'

Wright State Theatre will present the regional premiere of Annie Baker's Obie Award-winning play, "Circle Mirror Transformation" from Nov. 19–21 and Dec. 3–5 in the Herbst Theatre in the Creative Arts Center.

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Presidential protection: Wright State alumnus Michael Townsend thrives in his career with the U.S. Secret Service

Today, the Wright State University **crime and justice studies** alumnus is part of an honorable calling. Townsend has been a member of the U.S. Secret Service for more than two decades, serving on protective details for numerous presidents and foreign heads of state.

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Promo producers

Wright State University **motion picture** graduates donated their time and expertise to help several local businesses this summer, creating promotional videos for Sand Dollar Music, Twist Cupcakery and Jubie's Creamery.

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Book season

In her new novel, "Deer Season," Wright State University professor of **English language and literatures** Erin Flanagan, Ph.D., examines what happens in a small town when tragedy strikes and whether the town's residents would protect each other or turn on their own.

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