

Congratulations to our COLA colleagues who were selected for the fourth cohort of the highly-competitive [Wright Leader Academy](#): **Joe Deer**, *Theatre, Dance and Motion Pictures*; and **Carol Meija-LaPerle**, *English*. This program allows leaders from different units to strengthen collaborations and create new partnerships across campus. I know Carol and Joe will represent COLA well.

It's that time of year again when I begin strolling the parking lots in search of COLA window clings. At this year's First Flight Friday, I handed out window clings to our new freshmen, encouraging them to display them proudly on their cars. Winners I select at random will get to stop by the Dean's Office for yummy homemade treats or gift cards.



I hope you'll help me welcome two new COLA staff members who will be making a big impact in the college this year.



Colleen Lampton-Brill is COLA's new Director of Major Gifts, where she is responsible for fundraising initiatives. She served in various roles within the Wright State advancement division from 2002-2008 and then joined the advancement team at UD where she held various positions of increasing responsibility, including her most recent role as Executive Director of Planned Giving. Colleen brings a great deal of fundraising experience, community knowledge and Wright State understanding to her responsibilities in support of the College of Liberal Arts. She started her new role with us on June 17.

Nick Warrington became COLA Director of Events and Community Engagement on September 1, 2019. This is the position formerly occupied by Jennie Buckwalter and includes responsibility for **ARTSGALA**, the COLA Mentoring Program, the Dean's Leadership Board, COLA's Donor Recognition event, the COLA Emergency Scholarship Fund, and various other bits and pieces. Nick is a 2012 Wright State alum, and went on to receive a Masters of Education in Higher Education Administration from Virginia Tech. Since 2014, he has been the Assistant Director of the Office of Alumni Relations at WSU. He is an experienced event planner and volunteer coordinator, and an enthusiastic advocate for Wright State.



We are thrilled to have Colleen and Nick join the college.

Once again this year COLA will offer our students the opportunity to be professionally mentored by a volunteer from the community. Please ask students to take advantage of this opportunity. They can apply by following this [link](#) or picking up a paper application in the Dean's office.

This year our **Ohio Center of Excellence in Collaborative Education, Leadership and Innovation in the Arts (CELIA)** will be hosting a series of events celebrating the 100th anniversary of the passage of the women's suffrage amendment. The first is a series of workshops led by alumna **Alicia Rodis** on intimacy direction. Intimacy direction and intimacy coordination are emerging fields for stage, film and TV drama. Rodis is working with companies including HBO, Julliard School, NYU and others to create new protocols for safe working environments throughout the acting industry. She will present workshops for acting, musical theatre and theatre studies students today, September 6 from 1-2:30 in 178 CAC, and for film students on Saturday, September 7 from 10-11:00 in 004 Hanks.



Linda Caron, Dean
College of Liberal Arts

[Upcoming Events](#)

Guest Pianist Recital: Dr. Bomin Park and Friends, Tuesday, September 24, Noon, Schuster Hall, Creative Arts Center. No tickets required.

Jazz Ensemble, Thursday, October 3, 7:00 p.m. Spring Valley Academy



CLASS CORNER

Crafting Effective Networking and Job/Internship Correspondence
Tuesday, September 10, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. 106 Millett

Job Search Strategies for Liberal Arts Students
Thursday, September 19, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. 106 Millett

Internships 101 for Liberal Arts Students
Wednesday, September 25, Noon - 1:00 p.m. 106 Millett