The next faculty meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 14, 2014, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Campus Center South Lounge. Immediately following the meeting, a reception to honor retiring faculty will be held.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Arcana Albright (Modern Foreign Languages and Literatures) will have two articles coming out this summer: “To View or not to View? Jean-Philippe Toussaint’s Televisual Imaginary.” *L’imaginaire: texte et image / The Imaginary: Word and Image. Word & Image Interactions 7*. Rodopi (Amsterdam/New York) and “Visual Traces of a Literary Manifesto: Jean-Philippe Toussaint’s LIVRE/LOUVRE” *Contemporary French and Francophone Studies*. 18.3 (June 2014) : 302-309.

Mary Jane Androne (English) presented a paper "Clothes Make the Man: Passing in Jackie Kay's Trumpet" at the Northeast Modern Language Association in Harrisburg. She also attended the African Literature Association conference at the University of Witswaterstrand in Johannesburg where she presented a paper, "Miriam Tlali: Postapartheid Critical Perspectives.”

Hilary Aquino (History) presented her paper "Speaking of Health: Dr. Leona Baumgartner, from Public Servant to Public Persona” at the American Association for the History of Medicine Annual Meeting in Chicago, which discussed the New York City Commissioner of Health’s use of multimedia to promote the polio vaccine in the 1950s.

Loretta Baryeh (Accounting) presented *Block Holders and Earnings* at the 2014 AAA Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting in King of Prussia on April 24-26, 2014.

Justin Couchman (Psychology) gave the keynote address at the 9th Annual Kutztown University Psi Chi Student Research Conference on April 26. Noelle Miller ’14 presented a poster at the conference entitled “Beliefs and Metacognitive Confidence during Freshman and Senior College Exams”.

Craig Czury (English) presented poems and a panel talk on Pilgrimage, Relics, Symbols, Rituals at the 2014 CloudBurst Council, May 9-11, in Naples, N.Y. [http://cloudburstcouncil.blogspot.com/](http://cloudburstcouncil.blogspot.com/). He was also part of “A Poetic Conversation” with Charlie Rossiter and Michael Czarnecki—a conversation about poetry amongst three poets who have nearly 150 years of aggregate poetic experience and have made poetry the prime focus of their lives; May 12, at The Harley School in Rochester, N.Y. [http://foothillspublishing.com/2014/id81.htm](http://foothillspublishing.com/2014/id81.htm). Craig was the featured poet [http://www.thelove4arts.com/](http://www.thelove4arts.com/) (photo: John Pankratz) for National Poetry Month.

Matt Fotis (Theatre) wrote the entry for “Improv Comedy” for the recently released *Encyclopedia of Humor Studies*. Additionally, monologues from his plays *Burying Mom, A Year in the Life of 25 Strangers Living in a City by the Lake,* and *The Adventures of Menorah Man & Dreidel Boy: A Play About Christmas* will be published in the forthcoming collection *interJACtions: Monologues at the Heart of Human Nature, Vol III.*
Richard Hamwi (Art) had a watercolor collage accepted for inclusion in the Lancaster County Art Association National Juried Exhibition. The juror of the exhibit was New York based art critic and contributing editor of Art News, Lilly Wei. The exhibit opens on June 15 and continues through July 24.

Steve Mech (Biology) gave an invited talk entitled “Ecological genetics: Using population genetics to assess anthropogenic effects on animal populations” on April 18 at East Stroudsburg University. Also, Andy Samuelsen (Biology) and Steve have agreed to work with the Department of Urban Forestry of DCNR to supervise students surveying the street trees in Reading this summer.


Kristen Woodward (Art) currently has a solo exhibition of her paintings titled Animal Games at the Art Deska Gallery in Phoenixville and has three prints on display in Me, Myself and I; a national juried exhibit at Runnels Gallery, Eastern New Mexico University, NM. She also has four works on paper in Upcycle; Refresh, at Studio B in Boyertown and will be participating in the Summer Exhibition at JAM Gallery in Malvern PA, opening June 6.

STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Brittany Bartok ‘14, history and education major, presented "Teaching the Teachers? Attempts at Educational Reform in the US Occupation Zone, 1945-1948" at the Fourth Undergraduate Research Conference in German Studies on April 14. Her paper was an excerpt of her senior thesis. Brittany also presented some of her findings at the HECBC Undergraduate Conference.

Ellie Smith, ’16, recently returned from the Kennedy Center where she represented Region II (a ten-state area) at the National Festival of the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival. Ellie was the Region II nominee for the LMDA Dramaturgy Award in Association with the Association for Theater in Higher Education. She won the Region II Award for her work on the Domino Players production of Vortex.

Following is the list of the student presenters at the HECBC Conference held on April 26, 2014. Students listed on one line presented together. Congratulations to these students and their faculty mentors!

Toe Aung
Brittany Bartok
David Basile
Sara Baum
Ciani Beatty
Angela Cremer
Joanna Culp
Joshua Ehlinger
Samantha Koller
Xiaoyang Li
Breale McCoy
Noelle Miller
Krystal Nelson
Justin William Nick
Vivienne Okafor
Lauren Pupko
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Erin Hand
Jourdan Harris
Joy Humphrey

Jennifer Raineri
Ryan Stanley
Hanna Rebecca Szigeti
Taylor Thompson
Ellen Underwood
Angela Walter
Erin Yanoviak

Congratulations to the following seniors for the completion of their honors thesis. Thank you to all of their faculty advisors and readers, as well as the honors committee, including Chris Catone (honors thesis coordinator) for supporting these students in their achievement of this notable academic accomplishment.

Brittany Bartok
Sheldon Carpenter
Zeke Cole
Jessica deOrnellas
Kelly Detweiler
Rieffe Dia
Cassandra Gregoli
Hilary Hanford
Amanda Havens
Nicholas Hultz
Chellsey Labik
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Sarah Mac Kenna
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Matthew Smith
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PROVOST’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

We applaud the following faculty as they retire at the end of this academic year: Dr. Ronald G. Green, Professor of Psychology; Dr. Bonnie Hamwi, Assistant Professor of Education; Dr. Richard G. Heller, Professor of Biology; Dr. William M. King, Professor of Religious Studies; Dr. Gerald L. Kreider, Professor of Biology and Dr. Patricia A. Snyder, Professor of Psychology. Together, they represent a total of 207 years of teaching!

Update on New Faculty Hires: The following new hires will be joining our faculty beginning Fall 2014: Dr. Erin Ventresca, Biology; Dr. Matthew Sonntag, Chemistry and Biochemistry, and Ms. Elizabeth Keister, Sociology. Searches in Accounting, Fashion and Political Science are still ongoing, while the positions for DCP Program Coordinator in Business and Assistant Professor of Computer Science have closed without a successful hire. In addition, we have begun searches for one year positions in Computer Science and Music.
With the opening of Rockland Hall, we will be relocating computers currently in Teel Basement Lab and Chapel 102 to the new labs in Rockland.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Library Support during the Final Exam Period:

Extended library hours:
- Mon-Thurs, May 5-8: 7:30 am - 4 am
- Friday, May 9: 7:30 am – midnight
- Saturday, May 10: 10 am – 10 pm
- Sunday, May 11: 10 am – 4 am
- Mon-Thurs, May 12-15: 7:30 am - 4 am
- Friday, May 16: 7:30 am – 10 pm
- Saturday, May 17: 10 am – 9 pm
- Sunday, May 18: 10 am – midnight
- Monday, May 19: 7:30 am – midnight
- Tuesday, May 20: 7:30 am – 7 pm

Library relaxation events will be available to encourage students to use the library:
- Monday 5/12 - Therapy dogs and soft pretzels in the Library from 2-4pm
- Tuesday 5/13 - Rita's Italian Ice available in the lobby starting at 2pm
- Pop-up maker breaks in the Library with button-making, kinetic sand, and more!

The last W(h)ine and Cheese Provost-Faculty Conversation Hour of this academic year will be held on Thursday, May 15 at 4:00 p.m. in the Faculty Club. Hope you can join us.

Jacob Albright Scholars Ceremony and Dinner for Seniors will be held on Saturday, May 24. Dinner will be held in the dining hall at 5:30 p.m. All Cabinet members are welcome. Please RSVP to Karen Shuker at kshuker@alb.edu or extension 7643.

Baccalaureate and Commencement
The Baccalaureate ceremony combining traditional, graduate and ADP students will be held on Saturday, May 24 at 4:00 p.m. This year's commencement ceremony will also follow the Baccalaureate format, combining traditional, graduate and ADP students and will be held on Sunday, May 25 at 10:00 a.m. in Shirk Stadium. Please click on http://www.albright.edu/commencement/weekend-overview.html for information regarding reporting times and locations.

Teaching and Learning Showcase – May 29, 2014
Albright College’s Teaching and Learning Showcase mini-conference will be hosted on Thursday, May 29 from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm. All faculty, administration, and staff are invited to attend this day of conversation about pedagogy, student learning and instructional technologies. There is something for everyone, including a prestigious keynote speaker, faculty presentations, and afternoon workshops. The keynote speaker, Dr. Tim McGee is Associate Director for Faculty Development at Rider University where he also teaches in the Baccalaureate Honors Program and in the Department of Communication and Journalism. After completing his
Ph.D. in Rhetoric from U.C. Berkeley, he taught Literature, Composition, Rhetoric, and Creative Writing. While serving as the Director of Graduate Programs in the School of Design and Media at Philadelphia University, he taught E-commerce and Web Design to Native Alaskan students in the Arctic Circle. His scholarly interests lie at the intersections between language arts and artificial intelligence, especially computer-based rhetorical pedagogy including such areas as grammar checkers, machine scoring of student essays, e-Portfolios, and videotaping of students’ performance for the assessment learning. This event is sponsored by the Teaching and Learning Committee with support from Academic Affairs and IT Services. Go to: http://albright.edu/itservices/happenings/events/tal0514_info.html for more information.

Albright’s Retirement Transitions Seminar will be held on Monday, June 2, 2014 from 9:00AM to 3:00PM in the Campus Center South Lounge. The seminar is open to all faculty who are 55 or older, as well as those who have retired within the last two years, along with their spouses and domestic partners. Whether you have recently retired, are about to retire, just beginning to consider retiring, or simply want some information, join us to learn more about resources available both in the Albright and local community. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Watch your emails and mailboxes for more information. Please RSVP to sroy@alb.edu no later than Friday, May 23, 2014. Please indicate if you will bring someone in your RSVP.

Please note that on July 16th, the Academic Affairs Division will be holding its annual retreat. All administrators from the Academic Affairs Division, including the entire Academic Affairs Office, will not be on campus that day.

Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow
During the week of November 10-14, 2014, Albright will be hosting a Woodrow Wilson Fellow as part of the events celebrating the opening of Roessner Hall. Fellows reside on campus for one week and are available to share their expertise with the community. Dede Bartlett, a former Fortune 25 executive, is Director of the American University of Central Asia Foundation, the Corporate Alliance to End Partner Violence and Co-Chair of the Jim and Dede Bartlett Foundation, where she is committed to increasing the number of women pursuing degrees in mathematics, computer science and engineering. Bartlett was Vice President of Corporate Affairs Programs for Altria Group, Vice President and Corporate Secretary of Philip Morris, President of Mobil Foundation and Corporate Secretary of Mobil Corporation. Bartlett has been honored for helping survivors of domestic violence and was the Chair of the Advisory Board for the National Center for Victims of Crime and the National Domestic Violence Hotline. Bartlett has lectured at over 30 colleges and universities on a wide variety of work/life and career development issues. Bartlett is an honors graduate of Vassar College and holds a Master’s Degree from New York University. Please take advantage of her residency through classroom visitations, lectures, workshops, student meetings, etc. Please contact Beverly James at b.james@alb.edu to make arrangements or feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Save the Dates: As you plan your summer, please keep in mind the following important events leading to the start of the 2014-2015 academic year.

Faculty Retreat: Wednesday, August 20, 2014 - Details forthcoming.
Convocation: Thursday, August 21, 2014
Welcome Weekend: August 22-24 2014
Classes Start: Monday, August 25, 2014
PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The 2014 Blended Learning in the Liberal Arts Conference will be held at Bryn Mawr College on May 21 and 22. This year's conference has something for everyone, from reports on experiences with flipping a classroom to faculty experiments with using threaded discussion, gaming, mapping and Twitter to achieve pedagogical goals. Speakers were drawn from almost a dozen colleges across the country, and include a range of perspectives -- faculty across a range of academic disciplines, instructional support staff, administration, and students. Registration is free and the deadline to register is Thursday, May 15. A detailed schedule is available here: http://repository.brynmawr.edu/blended_learning/2014/. For more information about the conference and to register, go to: http://blendedlearningblogs.brynmawr.edu/conferences/

ICELAND EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Seeking faculty interested in participating in our Iceland Exchange program for the January 2016 session. If you are interested, please send a course description of no more than a paragraph (note this will be used by the university for listing the course) and an up-to-date vita to the Provost by September 12, 2014. Please also send information from the chair of your department regarding how your Albright courses are to be covered in your absence. Transmit all items electronically. The materials will be forwarded to our Icelandic partners for review and approval. Faculty from a variety of disciplines have participated and I encourage you to speak with them about their experience: Kristen Zacharias (Philosophy), Jon Bekken (English), Chuck Brown (Sociology), Dick Androne (English), Archie Perrin (Modern Foreign Languages and Literature), Barty Thompson (Anthropology).

Additional information:

1. Courses offered by Albright faculty have varied from three to five weeks. Faculty often will miss the first two weeks of the spring semester, although this does vary.
2. Applicants should be full-time members of the faculty at Albright College.
3. Albright pays for transportation to Iceland.
4. The University of Iceland provides an apartment.
5. Customarily, Albright faculty have taught in English, although other options are possible. Almost all Icelanders speak English.
6. The cost of food in Iceland is high.
7. Touring time should be before the course starts or on weekends as one should return to Albright immediately after the course ends to minimize impact on spring teaching responsibilities.