New Appointments to the Faculty, 2019-2020

**Art & Art History**

**Austin Stiegemeier, Assistant Professor of Art & Art History** *(tenure-track appointment)*

- M.F.A.  Washington State University  2013
- B.F.A.  Western Washington University  2010
- A.A.  North Idaho College  2006

Areas of Specialization: painting and printmaking.

**Biology**

**Lauren Klabonski, Visiting Assistant Professor of Biology** *(one-year appointment)*

- Ph.D.  Drexel University  2019
- B.S.  Pennsylvania State University  2011

Dissertation Title: *Understanding the Folding, Sorting and Secretion of Neuroprotective Growth Factors*

Areas of Specialization: biological sciences - cell and molecular biology and genetics.

**East Asian Studies**

**Yoko Nishimura, Assistant Professor of East Asian Studies** *(tenure-track appointment)*

- Ph.D.  University of California, Los Angeles  2008
- M.A.  University of California, Los Angeles  2002
- B.S.  Loyola University Chicago  2000

Dissertation Title: *North Mesopotamian Urban Space: A Reconstruction of Household Activities and City Layout at Titris Hoyuk in the Third Millennium B.C.*

Area of Specialization: archaeology.

**Minami Suzuki, Japanese Teaching Assistant in the Department of East Asian Studies** *(one-year appointment)*

- B.A.  Kansai Gaidai University  2019
Economics

Mohammad Ali, Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics (one-year appointment)

Ph.D. University of New Mexico expected 2019
M.A. University of New Mexico 2014
M.A. Xiamen University 2009
B.S. Lahore University of Management Sciences 2006

Dissertation Title: *3 Essays on Cognitive Production and Human Capital Formation*
Area of Specialization: microeconomics, macroeconomics, statistics, industrial organization.

Margaret Blume-Kohout, Assistant Professor of Economics (tenure-track appointment)

Ph.D. Pardee RAND Graduate School 2009
M.S. University of California, Berkeley 2002
B.A. Williams College 1996

Dissertation Title: *Essays on Government Policy and Pharmaceutical Innovation*
Area of Specialization: microeconomics, applied econometrics.

Gökce Özgür, Assistant Professor of Economics (tenure-track appointment)

Ph.D. University of Utah 2007
B.S. Middle East Technical University, Turkey 1999

Dissertation Title: *Changing U.S. Financial Structure and the Theory of Endogenous Supply of Money*
Area of Specialization: microeconomics and money, political economy.

Education

Benjamin Parker, Visiting Assistant Professor of Education (one-year appointment)

Ph.D. University of Georgia 2017
M.Ed. Edinboro University 2012
B.A. Shippensburg University 2006

Dissertation Title: *School facades: The ideological imposition of educational iconography*
Areas of specialization: Built schooling environments, Critical Race Theory, Urban Education

English

Aristides Dimitriou, Assistant Professor of English (tenure-track appointment)

Ph.D. University of California, Berkeley 2018
B.A. University of Miami 2009

Dissertation Title: *The Present Impasse: Hemispheric American Modernism and the Poetics of History*
Melissa Forbes, *Visiting Assistant Professor of English (one-year appointment)*

- Ph.D. University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign expected 2019
- M.A. University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign 2010
- B.A. Seattle Pacific University 2005

Area of Specialization: multimodal composition, digital literacies, online public discourse, feminist rhetorics, and social media.

Kalyan Nadiminti, *Assistant Professor of English (tenure-track appointment)*

- Ph.D. University of Pennsylvania 2017
- M.A. Michigan State University 2011
- B.A. St. Xavier’s College 2007

Dissertation Title: *Race, Transnationalism, and Labor in Contemporary Multi-Ethnic American Fiction*


Molly Reid, *Emerging Writer Lecturer in the Department of English (one-year appointment)*

- Ph.D. University of Cincinnati 2019
- M.F.A. Colorado State University 2007
- B.A. California Polytechnic University 2002

Dissertation Title: *Lifelike*

Area of Specialization: fragmented narrative; the literary ghost.

**Environmental Studies**

Natasha Gownaris, *Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies (tenure-track appointment)*

- Ph.D. Stony Brook School of Marine & Atmospheric Sciences 2015
- B.S. Gettysburg College 2009

Dissertation Title: *Understanding the Impacts of Changes in Water Inflow on the Fishes of Lake Turkana, Kenya*

Areas of Specialization: marine ecology.

**German Studies**

Justin Andreae, *Teaching Assistant in the Department of German Studies (one-year appointment)*

- State Examination for Teaching University of Leipzig, German 2019
Philosophy

_Mercedes Valmisa, Assistant Professor of Philosophy (tenure-track appointment)_

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Dissertation Title: _Changing Along with the World: Adaptive Agency in Early China_
Areas of Specialization: early Chinese philosophy, textuality and manuscript studies, early Chinese art and archaeology.

Political Science

_Lindsay Reid, Assistant Professor of Political Science (tenure-track appointment)_

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Dissertation Title: _Generating a Quality Peace: Negotiated Settlements and Governments’ Respect for Rights in the Wake of Civil War_
Areas of Specialization: international relations.

Physics

_Yunhua Ding, Visiting Assistant Professor of Physics (one-year appointment)_

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Dissertation Title: _Lorentz Tests with Confined Particles_
Areas of Specialization: theoretical particle physics.

Spanish

_Aarón Lacayo, Assistant Professor of Spanish (to tenure-track appointment)_

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Dissertation Title: _Ecologies of Violence: Biopolitical Paradigms in Contemporary Central American Cinema_
Areas of Specialization: twentieth and twenty-first century Latin American and Spanish literature.
Sunderman Conservatory of Music

Cesar Leal, Assistant Professor of Music (tenure-track appointment)

Ph.D. University of Kentucky 2014
Master in Instrumental Conducting Florida International University 2005
Bachelor in Instrumental Performance Universidad Javeriana 2002

Dissertation Title: Rethinking Paris at the Fin-De-Siecle: A New Vision of Parisian Musical Culture from the Perspective of Gabriel Astruc (1854-1938)
Areas of Specialization: instrumental performance and conducting.

Part-time Appointments

Art & Art History
- Shannon Gross, Adjunct Assistant Professor

Biology
- Brooke Coder, Lab Instructor
- Kathy Jo Serfass, Lab Instructor

Chemistry
- Nicholas Kettenhofen, Lab Instructor

Civil War Era Studies
- Carol Reardon, Adjunct Professor

English
- Matthew Barrett, Adjunct Instructor
- Sean Kennedy, CFD Post-doctoral fellow

Environmental Studies
- Gregory de Wet, Adjunct Assistant Professor

Interdisciplinary Studies
- Matt Greene, Adjunct Instructor
- Gregory Goodell, Adjunct Instructor

History
- John Wood III, Adjunct Assistant Professor

Mathematics
- Val Lochman, Adjunct Instructor

Political Science
- Paige Eager, Adjunct Assistant Professor

Theatre Arts
- Lisa Cadigan, Adjunct Instructor
- Jeremi Dilworth, Adjunct Instructor
- Bruce Moore, Adjunct Instructor
- Leslie Strongwater, Adjunct Instructor

Sunderman Conservatory of Music
- John Cradler, Adjunct Assistant Professor
- Ismar Gomes, Adjunct Assistant Professor
- Todd Goranson, Adjunct Professor
- Mary Kathleen Newell, Adjunct Assistant Professor
- I Ketut (Nyoman) Suadin, Adjunct Assistant Professor
Administrative Appointments

Robert W. Iuliano, President of the College

J.D.  University of Virginia School of Law  1986
B.A.  Harvard College  1985

A native of Watertown, Mass., Mr. Iuliano has dedicated nearly his entire professional life to higher education, most recently as Deputy to the President, Senior Vice President and General Counsel at Harvard University, and as a lecturer at Harvard College and the Harvard Graduate School of Education. For more than two decades, he has been deeply involved in issues fundamental to higher education leadership, including admissions, student life, athletics, governance, finance, and philanthropy.

Mr. Iuliano is a graduate of Harvard College and the University of Virginia Law School, where he served as Editor-in-Chief of the Virginia Law Review and was a member of the Order of the Coif. After clerking for the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, he worked for both the Department of Justice and in private practice. He then joined Harvard University, where he worked for more than 25 years helping to advance the University’s academic mission.

Mr. Iuliano began his tenure as Gettysburg College’s 15th president on July 1, 2019.

Academic Division

Betsy Bein, User Services Librarian

MLIS  University of Pittsburgh  2018
M.S.  McDaniel College  2008
B.A.  Swarthmore College  1989

Betsy Bein will contribute to student success by providing programs and services directed toward student colleagues and patrons in the library. Betsy will oversee circulation desk activities, coordinate library-wide mentoring and student training and provide guidance in interlibrary loan, stacks and reserves as needed. She will participate actively in her liaison role with the Sunderman Conservatory, participate in collection development, provide regular rotations at the Research Help Desk, and serve on library and campus committees.

Mary Elmquist, Scholarly Communications Librarian

M.S.  University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  2019
B.A.  Clemson University  2011

Mary Elmquist will play a key role in providing and expanding library services related to open access, open education, and library publishing. They will oversee sustainable growth and management of our open access institutional repository, The Cupola, and join the growing campus conversation about textbook affordability. They will provide education and support that enables faculty to adopt, adapt, and create Open Educational Resources for use in their courses. They will also participate in our active information literacy program.
Jesse Phillips, Assistant Director, Center for Global Education

M.A. Indiana University of Pennsylvania 2014
M.A. Seton Hall University 2007
B.A. Indiana University of Pennsylvania 2005

As Assistant Director, Mr. Phillips advises Gettysburg students on global study opportunities, and supports the Director on program development, data management and interpretation, technology integration, and policy alignment. He also coordinates campus visits for representatives from partner universities, program providers and other visiting faculty and staff.

College Life Division

Olivia Coyle, Counselor & Garrett Lee Smith Suicide Prevention Coordinator, Counseling Services

National Certified Counselor 2019
M.S. Shippensburg University 2019
B.S. Shippensburg University 2015

Olivia will be providing counseling to students during the fall and spring semesters. Olivia will also be coordinating suicide prevention efforts across the campus community through the Garrett Lee Smith Suicide Prevention grant. This will include coordinating outreach events, trainings, and education. She has experience with providing counseling to college students. Her focus is maintaining different techniques and adjusting to each individual’s needs. She is also working towards becoming a licensed professional counselor.

Joyce Galanti, Counselor, Counseling Services

Pennsylvania Licensed Professional Counselor 2011
M.A. Alvernia University 2009
B.A. Alvernia University 2004

Joyce will be providing risk assessment and counseling to students during fall and spring semesters. She has experience providing therapy in the private sector with an emphasis in Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Substance Abuse/Addiction, and anxiety reduction. She will be participating in outreach programs and psychoeducation.

Brooke Gutschick, First-Year Residential Life Coordinator, Residential and First-Year Programs

M.Ed. Vanderbilt University 2019
B.A. Gettysburg College 2017

Brooke has experience in working in many areas of student affairs, including student centers, student conduct, leadership development, student organizations, Greek Life, and career services. As a First-Year Residential Life Coordinator Brooke will oversee the West Quad and is excited to work with the RA staff.
Shantanique Johnson, Associate Director, LGBTQ+ Life, Office of Multicultural Engagement

M.S. Shippensburg University 2018
B.A. LaRoche College 2015

In addition to her role as Associate Director, Shantanique will serve a one-year appointment to oversee the work of the Office of LGBTQ+ Life. One goal is to set up a LGBTQ+ Life advisory committee to include students, faculty, and administration. A second goal is to lay a foundation for an ongoing and sustainable community on campus through a Queer leadership Student Group.

Zana Morris, Assistant Director, Office of Student Activities and Greek Life

M.A. University of Iowa 2018
B.S. Austin Peay State University 2016

As an Assistant Director, Zana will provide leadership and oversight to the Campus Activities Board to provide entertainment, opportunities for students to get involved and be exposed to a variety of experiences, and diverse programming on campus. Zana will also advise the National Panhellenic Council, multiple Greek chapters on campus, and coordinate New Member Education for the community. In her position, Zana will collaborate and partner with campus and community partners to create a variety of opportunities for students to engage with the campus.

Brenda Reyes-Lúa, Assistant Director, Center for Public Service

B.A. Georgetown University 2010

As Assistant Director, Brenda will continue the mission of the Center for Public Service by engaging students, community members, faculty and staff to facilitate partnerships, education, critical thinking and informed action. She will coordinate efforts to support immigrants in Adams County by staying informed of the changing political landscape and policies and engaging students and faculty with local energy around immigrant rights. In addition, Ms. Reyes-Lúa will assist with immersion projects and developing leadership opportunities and trainings for students.

Matthew Rose, Associate Director for Patrol and Investigatory Operations, Department of Public Safety

B.A. Lebanon Valley College 2003

Matt comes to Gettysburg College from the Harrisburg Area Community College (HACC) System for the past 15-years serving in a variety of positions including his current position of Public Safety Supervisor for the Gettysburg campus and as the Clery Compliance Coordinator for all six of the HACC campuses. Matt is experienced in leadership and supervision, investigations, compliance, training and staff development. He has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology, he is certified as a Clery Compliance Officer through the National Association of Clery Compliance Officers and Professionals (NACCOP) and he maintains a plethora of other certifications applicable to our campus law enforcement profession.
Kaitlin Wingard, Assistant Director, Garthwait Leadership Center

B.A. Gettysburg College 2015

Kaitlin will serve as the primary point of contact for all groups that would like a customized group development or Challenge Course experience. She will support the expanded learning group format of the Gettysburg College Leadership Certificate. Her contributions will be central to the success of the integration process between the GLC and Experiential Education.

Enrollment & Educational Services Division

Adrian Cooke, Director of Digital Strategy, Communications and Marketing Office

M.A. Yale University 2005
B.A. University of Queensland 2001

Adrian’s role is to guide the College’s approach to user experience on the website, in social media, through videos, and email marketing. He also works to ensure that we meet high accessibility standards for our content, and oversees digital analytics. Adrian’s background and experience includes data analysis, user experience design, search engine optimization, information architecture, and front-end development. He will be working with partners across campus with the goal of expanding audience reach and user engagement.

Greg Brown, Head Men’s and Women’s Swim Coach

B.A. Lycoming College 2002

Greg comes to Gettysburg after serving as the assistant coach and recruiting coordinator for the Army West Point swim program. Brown has also coached at Marywood University, University of Vermont, Siena College, and Florida Atlantic University. Greg will lead both the men’s and women’s swimming teams, and be the primary recruiter as well.

Molly Foster, Asst. Director of Communications, Communications and Marketing Office

B.A. Shippensburg University 2019

Ms. Foster is a part of the content team, and writes a variety of short and long-form content for the College’s website, social media platforms, and Gettysburg magazine, to reach key audiences and highlight the academic reputation of the College. Serving as the liaison to Career Engagement and Entrepreneurship, she encourages campus partners to look at the College through an innovative lens and helps them disseminate their messages in a way that prioritizes recruitment, retention, and outcomes employed through the Gettysburg Network.

Luke Frigon, Admissions Counselor

B.A. Gettysburg College 2018

Luke was a History major and the Student Body President here at Gettysburg. After a year in Admissions at Gannon University, Luke has returned to Gettysburg College as an Admissions Counselor. He will be the territory manager for Connecticut, parts of New York and Pittsburgh. Luke will also help coordinate campus visit programs.
NEW HIRES – prior to May 1, 2019

**Marc Belli**, Director of Creative Services, Communications & Marketing  
**Megan Miller**, Assistant Director of Communications, Communications & Marketing  
**Jaron Johnston**, Assistant Director of Digital Strategy, Communications and Marketing

**Development, Alumni, and Parent Relations Division**

**Justin Carson, Director of Orange & Blue Club**

- B.S. Salisbury University 2010

Mr. Carson will oversee all fundraising activities for Athletics including the annual Orange & Blue Golf Classic and the Hall of Athletic Honor Banquet

**Jordan Marshall, Assistant Director of Alumni Relations-Outreach**

- M.S. Shippensburg University 2019  
- B.A. California University of Pennsylvania 2017

Ms. Marshall is responsible for outreach efforts to engage alumni of the College for mutually beneficial purposes. Her duties include working with regional alumni clubs to provide programming in various locales; serving as the alumni relations liaison with several reunion committees to help them plan their Reunion Weekend activities; and developing opportunities for current students to understand their involvement with Gettysburg continues after they graduate.

**Katie Weigle, Grants & Restricted Funds Manager, Foundation, Government and Faculty Grants**

- B.S. Bridgewater College 1999

Ms. Weigle is responsible for post-award monitoring and reporting on both faculty and institutional grants, working collaboratively with faculty members, administrators, and Laura Runyan. Additionally, she will be developing processes and procedures related to the management of our restricted gifts, ensuring good stewardship according to the donors’ intent.

NEW HIRES – prior to May 1, 2019

**Rebecca (Kate) Sainer**, Assistant Director of Annual Giving  
**Jacob Henkoff**, Assistant Director of Annual Giving

**Finance & Administration Division**

**Jason Kahler, Director of Operations**

Previously, Jason was the Director of Operations at Trinity Washington University, in Washington DC, before which he held several positions in facilities management, building and plant operations. He joins us to lead the Facilities Trades and Housekeeping departments to a safe, efficient, and productive environment, while striving to create positive student and staff experiences.
Promotions, Title Changes, Position Changes

Academic Division

- Tina Gebhart, *Art & Art History*, received tenure and promoted for Assistant to Associate Professor
- Cassie Hays, *Sociology*, received tenure and promoted for Assistant to Associate Professor
- Ryan Johnson, *Physics*, received tenure and promoted for Assistant to Associate Professor
- Kimberly Spayd, *Mathematics*, received tenure and promoted for Assistant to Associate Professor
- Henning Wrage, *German Studies*, received tenure and promoted for Assistant to Associate Professor
- Shelli Frey, *Chemistry*, promoted from Associate to Full Professor
- Timothy Good, *Physics*, promoted from Associate to Full Professor
- Christopher Kauffman, *Theatre Arts*, promoted from Associate to Full Professor
- Kim Longfellow, promoted from Norway Intern to Program Coordinator, Center for Global Education
- Megan Sijapati, *Religious Studies*, promoted from Associate to Full Professor
- Deborah Sommer, *Religious Studies*, promoted from Associate to Full Professor

College Life Division

- Christopher Bloomford, promoted from Career Counselor and Coordinator for Marketing to Assistant Director, Center for Career Engagement
- Andrew Hughes, promoted from Director to Executive Director, Garthwait Leadership Center
- Shantanique Johnson, promoted from Assistant Director to Associate Director, Office of Multicultural Engagement
- Marcela Manzo Vessi, promoted from Career Counselor and Coordinator for Engagement to Assistant Director, Center for Career Engagement
- Paul Miller, promoted from Associate Director to Director, Garthwait Leadership Center

Enrollment & Educational Services Division

- Kathryn Adams, promoted from Associate Director to Senior Associate Director, Office of Financial Aid
- Lauren Alizio, promoted from Assistant Director to Senior Assistant Director, Admissions Office
- Alex Stowe, promoted from Assistant Director to Senior Assistant Director, Admissions Office

Development, Alumni, and Parent Relations Division

- Kathleen Regentin, promoted from Director of Major Gifts to Assistant Vice President for Development
- Adrienne Seitz, promoted from Director of Donor Relations and Stewardship to Assistant Vice President for Constituent Relations.
- Nick Redman ’12, promoted from Assistant Director to Associate Director, Alumni Relations
- Amanda DeFalco, promoted from Assistant Director of Annual Giving to Leadership Gifts Officer

Finance & Administration Division

- Christopher Elwood, promoted from Project Manager to Directors of Capital Projects
- James Baer, promoted from Supervisor of Trades to Project Manager
- Jessica Rudy, promoted from Administrative Assistant to Marketing Director