

## PROVOST REPORT

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

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## A Message from Academic Affairs

#### Greetings!

In our last newsletter (https://www.marshall.edu/academic-affairs/academic-affairs-highlights/), we stated our commitment to looking ahead and the view is improving! Recent evidence of that improvement came to us on March 24, 2022, when the CDC classified Cabell County as low risk for community spread of COVID. Marshall shifted to the new recommendations for low risk counties. This meant that wearing masks inside public buildings was not required. New signage has been installed across campus and weekly updates are available every Thursday evening on Marshall's website.

Since our last newsletter, Marshall's academic programs, faculty, staff, and students have continued to make advancements and accumulate successes. Some of these successes include:

- In the College of Arts and Media, students working with WMUL-FM continued accumulating awards for their work. Award winners from the Virginias Associated Press Broadcasters contest included first and second place <u>Best Station Promo</u> – Zane Bowles, second place <u>Best Sports Playby-Play</u> announcer – Andrew Rogers, <u>Color commentator</u> – Nick Verzolini, <u>Engineers</u> – Johnathan Edwards and Grant Goodrich and second place <u>Outstanding Sports Operation</u> of the Virginias 2021 Spring Semester WMUL-FM Sports Director – Nick Verzolini and 2021 Fall Semester WMUL-FM Sports Director – Andrew Rogers.
- 2. The **College of Engineering and Computer Science** has received full approval from the Faculty Senate to offer the Bachelor of Science in Engineering (BSE) program with specializations in Industrial and Systems Engineering and General Engineering. The college also received approval to add an Aerospace Engineering specialization to our BS in Mechanical Engineering degree.
- 3. In the **College of Education and Professional Development**, Dr. Kimberly McFall was selected as a 2022/23 Fulbright U.S. Scholar. She will conduct her research in Poland in the Spring of 2021. Additionally, Dr. Brian Kinghorn produced the 4th annual TEDxMarshallU event "Stories That Change Us" as the lead organizer and licensee. He led a team of five other faculty and staff and four students who produced the event with 11 different speakers and performers.
- 4. **College of Health Professions'** Layne Assif, a junior Exercise Science student, has been selected to present her NASA funded research at the Experimental Biology (EB) annual meeting in this April.
- 5. The **College of Liberal Arts** and the English Language Institute (ELI) will welcome a group of students from Kansai Gaidai University in Japan for a month-long intensive language learning program. ELI will offer their developmental English classes fully online beginning in Fall 2022.

- 6. The **College of Science** will see a change in leadership on July 1, 2022, when Dr. Chuck Somerville steps down from the dean's position. He wants to retire from the classroom so will teach in the fall semester. Brian Morgan has been appointed as Interim Dean effective July 1, 2022.
- 7. The **Division of Aviation** and the Bill Noe Flight School welcomes Assistant Chief Instructor, Nancy Ritter, who has executive experience with pilot training programs, and Todd Kingsolver, a Certified Flight Instructor.
- 8. Dr. Amanda Thompson-Abbott, in the **Lewis College of Business**, is the recipient of the 2022 West Virginia Society of CPAs Outstanding Accounting Educator Award. This award is given annually to one accounting educator who is a member of the society and teaches at a West Virginia college or university. She is recognized for her excellence in classroom teaching, outstanding interaction with students, and significant contributions to the accounting profession.
- 9. The **School of Pharmacy's** Dr. Tiffany Davis authored a 3-part continuing education series on food allergies. This is being adopted by Kroger for all its stores.

On behalf of Dr. Carl Mummert, Assistant to the Provost, the administration and staff of Academic Affairs, we invite you to share our pride and celebrate the scholarly and creative works of our faculty, along with the successes of our students and our alumni.

Sincerely,

Avinandan "Avi" Mukherjee, Ph.D. Interim Sr. Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost Karen McComas, Ed.D. Interim Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs & Associate Provost

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## ADMISSIONS AND ENROLLMENT SERVICES (DEAN: DR. TAMMY

JOHNSON)

#### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

Current FY deposit number is the highest at this point in the enrollment cycle compared to any of the last five years, Fall 217 – Fall 2021.



### RECRUITMENT EFFORTS TO DATE FOR FALL 2022



#### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Mike Murphy** coordinated the West Virginia Thespian Festival (WVTF), March 24, 25, 26 hosted by the School of Theatre and Dance and Auditoria. Theatre students, staff, and faculty actively engaged 400+ high school students, their chaperones, and teachers in live events, workshops, and recruiting activities.
- Jack Colclough directed *Post-Mortem*, a modern whodunit February 23-26. Set Design: Jamez Morris Smith; Costume Design: Olivia Trees; Lighting Design; Lang Reynolds.
- Jack Colclough and Leah Turley presented an invited performance of *Charlotte's Web*, Theatre ETC. Youth Tour at Southeast Regional Theatre (SETC).
- Shelby Nelson, MaShawn Morton produced and choreographed the Spring Dance Workshop March 6.
- **Fulton Burns** coordinated the Society of American Fight Directors Workshop in January: Theatrical Firearms Safety Course, 12 students, 3 faculty, and 2 staff earned their safety certificates.
- **Mike Murphy** presented OSHA 10 Workshops at United States Institute of Theatre Technology and at Southeast Regional Theatre (SETC).
- Jack Colclough presented a Dialect Workshop for West Virginia Thespians Festival.
- **Fulton Burns** presented at SETC a panel, "The Stage Combat Panel" addressing the SAFD Archives at Marshall University.
- **Fulton Burns**, **Jamez Morris Smith**, **Deb Carder**, and **Kevin Bannon** served as adjudicators and presenters at the West Virginia Thespian Festival (WVTF).
- **Olivia Trees** was awarded the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival's Certificate of Merit for her beautiful Costume Design for *Decision Height*.

#### **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

Annual Student Juried Exhibition, Birke Art Gallery, award ceremony March 23. Jurors Awards: Jurors' Choice to **Dawn Kushner**; 1<sup>st</sup> place to **Chandreonia Harris**; 2<sup>nd</sup> place to **MaKayla Vance**; and 3<sup>rd</sup> place to **Alexa Preston**. School Faculty Awards: Director's Choice to **Katie Spencer**; 1<sup>st</sup> place to **Baylee Grueser**; 2<sup>nd</sup> place awards to **Jillian Brown** and **Jenna Nichols**; and 3<sup>rd</sup> place awards to **Megan Randolph** and **Kylie Roark**.

Students working with WMUL-FM won several awards from the Virginias Associated Press Broadcasters contest including first and second place <u>Best Station Promo</u> – **Zane Bowles**, second place <u>Best Sports</u> <u>Play-by-Play</u> announcer – **Andrew Rogers**, <u>Color commentator</u> – **Nick Verzolini**, <u>Engineers</u> – **Johnathan Edwards** and **Grant Goodrich** and second place <u>Outstanding Sports Operation</u> of the Virginias 2021 Spring Semester WMUL-FM Sports Director – **Nick Verzolini** and 2021 Fall Semester WMUL-FM Sports Director – **Andrew Rogers**.

**Chelsey Lilly,** theatre student, class of 22, was awarded the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival's Certificate of Merit for Intimacy Direction for *Decision Height*.

#### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

Two Capstone Exhibitions Carroll Gallery in the Visual Arts Center (VAC): *Phases* – April 11 (reception April 12, 4:30 to 6:30) and *Looking Forward, Looking Back* – April 18 (reception April 19, 4:30 to 6:30).

The Parthenon, Marshall's student news organization, and campus radio station WMUL-FM hosted the Student Government Association student president and vice president candidate debates. The WMUL-FM debate was March 28 and aired on WMUL-FM 88.1, Channel 25 and can be viewed on YouTube by searching for *Newscenter 88: 2022 SGA Presidential Debates*.

The School of Music hosted numerous events presents both on and off campus during Spring Semesters. Here is a sampling of this season's activities.

- Marshall University Orchestra March 1 Young People's Concert, performed to area elementary school students, Keith-Albee Theatre **Elizabeth Reed Smith**, conductor.
- West Virginia Music Educators Association (WVMEA) Conference– March 3-5, Charleston, WV Civic Center featured performances and presentations by numerous Marshall faculty, students, and alumni, including faculty members Jeff Wolfe, Michael Stroeher, Ed Bingham, Nick Vassar, Duane Flesher, Briana Nannen, and Adam Dalton along with alumni Christy Carson, Josie Fisher, Hunter Blankenship, and Cody Henley.
- Conference USA Basketball Tournament in Dallas, TX March 7 10 **Chris Schletter** directed the Sixth Man Band.
- Stephen Lawson and Alexander Hummel (student) attended Southeast Horn Workshop in Greensboro, NC March 11-13.
- Installation of the Bishop of the Episcopal Churches of West Virginia, West Virginia Wesleyan College, Buckhannon, WV March 11 12 -- Chamber Choir, **David Castleberry**, Conductor, featuring Marshall faculty soprano **Carline Waugh**.
- Opera America, NYC -- March 13 music faculty **Alexander Lee** presented a guest recital. Dr. Lee also presented two masterclasses -- Indiana University of Pennsylvania on March 11 and Grove City College on March 14.
- Faculty Recital: Alexander Lee, Julio Alves and Henning Vauth March 20, Songs of Pangia.
- Marshall University Chamber Choir *Mozart Requiem* with West Virginia Symphony Orchestra and Chorus April 2.
- KY All-District Orchestra, Morehead State University March 25 Elizabeth Reed Smith Conductor/Clinician.
- Green & White Day -- April 2 Jazz Combo I.
- Faculty Recital April 3 Michael Stroeher and Henning Vauth.
- Advancement in Higher Education Music Settings, music faculty **Briana Nannen** continues nationally acclaimed work with a cohort for mixed methods in this multi-year project.
- Numerous student recitals and spring ensemble concerts through the end of the spring semester. Visit https://www.marshall.edu/music/calendar/

## COLLEGE OF ENGINGEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE (INTERIM DEAN: DR. DAVID DAMPIER)

#### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

**Dr. Sanghoon Lee**, Assistant Professor in Computer Sciences, has been awarded a second NSF grant for nearly \$200K to develop artificial intelligence machine learning methods for cancer researchers.

**Dr. Sungmin Youn**, Assistant Professor in Civil Engineering, has been selected to participate in the Air Force Research Lab Faculty Fellowship in the Summer of 2022. Dr. Youn will be undertaking a project entitled, *Biological Process Research for Environmental Applications*, and his research will be hosted by the Air Force Institute of Technology at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio.

**Dr. Andrew Nichols and Dr. Sungmin Youn**, both faculty in the Department of Civil Engineering, have been awarded an NSF grant to run a Research Experiences for Undergraduates Site on Subterranean Research.

**Dr. Richard Begley, Dr. James Bryce, and Dr. Mehdi Esmaeilpour** in collaboration with the Center for Business and Economic Research, have been awarded a grant to conduct a Phase I Engineering Study on Geothermal Resources in Mine Pools.

**Dr. Wael Zatar** has been awarded a Marshall University Distinguished Artist and Scholars Award -Senior Recipient for 2021-2022. Dr. Zatar is Professor of Civil Engineering.

Multiple researchers from across the institution received the Hedrick Program Grant for Teaching Innovation from the Center for Teaching and Learning for their project titled *Marshall University Presentation Center: Developing a Campus-Wide Resource to Enhance Communication Fluency Across the Curriculum.* Dr. Clinton Brown (Communication Studies, COLA) is the PI on the project. Co-investigators include: Dr. Julie Snyder-Yuly and Dr. Stephen Underhill (Communication Studies, COLA); Dr. Timothy Melvin (Leadership Studies, COEPD); Olen York (Marketing, MIS and Entrepreneurship, LCOB); Dr. Husnu Narman (Computer Sciences and Electrical Engineering, CECS); and Dr. Kyle Palmquist (Biological Sciences, COS).

#### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

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## COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (DEAN: Dr. TERESA EAGLE)

#### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

Dr. Lori Howard: Presentation and paper at the Appalachian Studies Association Conference. Paper is in Press Title of paper: "Building Inclusive Environments through Employment Actions: Considering the Disparate of People with Disabilities in Appalachia." McKinney, R., Potts, E.A., & Howard, L.A. (2022)

Drs. **Debra Lockwood** (Special Education Program Director) and Jeremy Lopuch, Winthrop University, presented at the American Council on Rural Special Education, titled: "Plotting the Course: Examining Concept Maps to Evaluate Rural Special Education Candidate's Knowledge and Application."

Drs. **Debra Lockwood** and **Wendi Dunham** co-presented at the American Council on Rural Special Education a presentation titled, "Making Waves: Trauma Exposure and Students with EBD in Rural Areas."

Dr. **Debra Lockwood** co-published with Dr. Jeremy Lopuch, Winthrop University, in the *Teacher Education Journal of South Carolina* an article titled, " Ensuring Excellence: A Pilot Study to Investigate Concept Maps to Evaluate Preservice Teacher Understanding of Differentiated Instruction."

Dr. **Carol Smith** serves as the Founding President of the International Association for Resilience and Trauma Counseling (IARTC), which has just been designated as a recognized division of the American Counseling Association (ACA).

Dr. **McKenzie Brittain**, Assistant Professor in Curriculum and Instruction, co-authored an article for a peer-reviewed journal, *The Mathematics Educator*. The title of the article is "Scholarly Practice and Inquiry: Dynamic Interactions in an Elementary Mathematics Methods Course."

Dr. **Kimberly McFall** was selected as a 2022/23 Fulbright U.S. Scholar. She has also been granted a sabbatical and plan to travel in Spring 2021 to Poland.

On Feb. 26, 2022, **Brian Kinghorn** produced the 4th annual TEDxMarshallU event "Stories That Change Us" as the lead organizer and licensee. Brian led a team of five other faculty and staff and four students who produced the event with 11 different speakers and performers. The event can be watched on demand at https://www.marshall.edu/livestream/livestream/tedxmarshallu-stories-that-change-us/

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#### **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

The Maier Scholars, **Carolyn Kinder, Bailey Arkell, Kirstin Hill and Dylan Collier**, are scheduled to participate in International Summer School in June at the University of Stirling, UK.

#### **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

**Layne Assif**, a junior Exercise Science student, has been selected to present her NASA funded research at the Experimental Biology (EB) annual meeting this April.

#### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

On March 30, 2022 the SOK programs of Athletic Training, Biomechanics & Exercise Science hosted a group of 40 students from Webster County School district. They experienced all three programs in an interactive immersive event. Early feedback from the students & educators with them was appreciative and very positive.

## COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS (DEAN: DR. ROBERT BOOKWALTER)

#### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

COLA faculty continue to earn many of the most prestigious faculty teaching and scholarship awards at Marshall University. The 2022 award-winning faculty are:

Hedrick Outstanding Faculty Award	Zelideth Rivas (Modern Languages)
Reynolds Outstanding Teacher Award	Del Chrol (Classics/Humanities)
Council of Chairs Award for Excellence in Teaching	Ryan Lidster (Modern Languages)
Hedrick Faculty Teaching Fellow	Zelideth Rivas (Modern Languages)
Distinguished Artists and Scholars Award Senior Recipient for Arts, Social Sciences, Humanities, Education and Business	Timothy Burbery (English)
Distinguished Artists and Scholars Award, Junior Recipient for All Fields	Stefan Schoeberlein (English)
Hedrick Program Grant for Teaching Innovation	Clinton Brown (Communication Studies) Julie Snyder-Yuly (Communication Studies) Stephen Underhill (Communication Studies) (along with colleagues from Biological Sciences; Leadership Studies; Marketing, MIS and Entrepreneurship; Computer Sciences and Electrical Engineering)

#### **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

**Rebecca Tomblin**, Psychology major, earned the Anne Crum Leadership Award from the MU Educational Opportunity Center TRIO Project. Rebecca works in the Collegial Recovery Program, assisting students in overcoming challenges and obstacles impeding their progress toward graduation.

**Sarah Pappas**, Geography major, has earned a Lapenta Summer Internship with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. She will work at the Weather Prediction Center (in College Park, MD) of the National Center for Environmental Protection, on the Winter Storm Severity Index project.

**Mallory Stanley**, majoring in History and Psychology, was awarded a John Marshall Undergraduate Research Scholar grant to study and archive data and artifacts related to the Owen Clinic Institute, a rural mental health clinic that operated from the 1940s through the 1960s. Her research will result in digitizing and archiving thousands of pages of historical data.

**Destiny Tomblin**, Psychology major, has earned a John Marshall Undergraduate Research Scholar award this spring. Her study focuses on how students use social media to get health information about nutrition and exercise during the pandemic.

#### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

The **English Language Institute (ELI)** will welcome a group of students from Kansai Gaidai University in Japan for a month-long intensive language learning program. ELI will offer their developmental English classes fully online beginning in Fall 2022.

**The Psychology department** will introduce a Bachelor of Science option, beginning in the fall, to assist students in the program who wish to focus on STEM-based preparation for graduate and professional programs.

The **Sociology department** will put a generous donation from the estate of alumna Dr. Ann Louise Page to good use. They will transform their graduate student offices and lounge into the Ann Louise Page Center for Sociological Research.

#### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**Chris White,** History professor, has used his podcast to focus attention on the attack on Ukraine. Guests include Marshall faculty with history and ties to Ukraine, faculty from other institutions, and journalists with experience in Ukraine. Dr. White has committed to weekly episodes focused on events in Ukraine for the duration of the conflict.

The Wars Within project for WV Veterans. Dr. Robin Riner (Anthropology) and Dr. Christina Franzen (Classics/Humanities) have a grant to support veterans in West Virginia. They are using civil war literature from ancient Rome to help veterans understand their own experiences in battle. Veterans from Vietnam and Operation Iraqi freedom study this literature and train to facilitate discussions with veterans groups around the state.

**The** *Movable Project*. **Dr. Stefan Schoeberlein**, assistant professor of English and Director of Digital Humanities, is heading the **Movable Project** with former MU professor Dr. Kristen Lillvis. The project creates an interactive online community for people in recovery across Appalachia. Participants share their stories of recovery and hope. The project is sponsored by Marshall Health, and grants from SAMSHA and the WV Humanities Council. <u>https://www.movableproject.org/</u>

**Huntington's Literary Laureate**. **Daniel O'Malley**, assistant professor of English, was named Huntington's sesquicentennial **Literary Laureate** by the Mayor's office. He will serve for two years, designing educational activities for students, citizens, and visitors to the city.

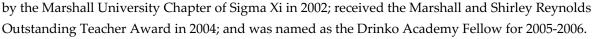
**Japan Outreach Initiative**. In cooperation with the Laurentian Institute and the WV Department of Education, the Japanese program in the Department of Modern Languages is co-hosting Ms. Akiko Praylow as a Japanese Outreach Coordinator. Ms. Praylow teaches courses at the International School, *for the children of executives at West Virginia's several major Japanese businesses, and she teaches at* the summer Japanese Immersion Camp. She is assisting Huntington in connecting with a sister city in Japan. She teaches Japanese business etiquette to Marshall students. She also works with Nippon Thermostat, Toyota, Okuno International, and others to forge relationships that could facilitate the hiring of Marshall graduates in these organizations.

**Cat Pleska**, English instructor, is an artist in residence for the West Edge Factory in West Huntington. Her project is the creation of a museum dedicated to former employees of Corbin LTD, including garments made in the factory, oral histories, and other artifacts documenting the history of the Corbin family, their global garment business, and the (mostly women) employees from 1957-2003.

### COLLEGE OF SCIENCE (DEAN: DR. CHARLES SOMERVILLE)

#### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

**Charles "Chuck" Somerville** will step down as Dean of the College of Science (COS) on 30 June 2022 after serving 13 years as dean, and 25 years at Marshall University. He will return to the faculty in the Department of Biological Sciences for the Fall 2022 semester. Chuck came to Marshall University in the fall of 1997 as an Assistant Professor in Biological Sciences (BSC). As a faculty member, Chuck received the Phi Eta Sigma Fabulous Faculty Award in 2001; was named the Researcher of the Year



**Brian M. Morgan**, currently the associate dean in the College of Science and professor of computer and information technology, was appointed as interim dean of the College of Science, effective July 1, 2022. . He served as an assistant professor in the Integrated Science and Technology/Computer and Information Technology programs at Marshall University from the fall 2000 semester until summer 2008, an associate professor from summer 2008 until summer 2013, when he was promoted to full professor. Brian served as chair of the department from 2012 to 2020.

Marshall University's **Institute for Cyber Security** (ICS) is teaming up with the West Virginia National Guard and Forge Security LLC to enhance cyber security efforts and strengthen the future of cyber security professionals.

#### FACULTY AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

**Dr. Mindy Armstead** in the Department of Natural Resources & the Environment (NRE) has written an Intent to Plan (ITP) for a new Master of Science program in NRE. The MS NRE ITP has been approved by the Graduate Council.

The Department of Biological Sciences (BSC), led by Dr. **Brian Antonsen**, revised its curriculum to separate the lecture and laboratory components of all its courses. The separation of courses allows for more flexibility for students in setting course schedules, and it allows the department to be more efficient in offering courses for both BSC majors and students of other majors who require BSC content in their programs.





#### **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

Four Student Senators from the College of Science organized a mental health awareness event for COS students, staff, and faculty. **Walker Tatum** is a Junior majoring in Biological Sciences with Minors in Chemistry, Pre-Professional Healthcare Studies, General Business, and Psychology. **Makena Rauch** is a Senior double majoring in Criminal Justice and Criminology, with a concentration in Legal Studies, and Political Science. Makena also plays on the MU Women's Golf Team. **Maddy Scott** is a Senior Biological Sciences major, with minors in Chemistry, Physics, Pre-Professional Healthcare Studies, and General Business. **Dylan Ellison** is a Junior, majoring in Biochemistry with a minor in Biological Sciences. The event was held in the John Marshall Room of the Marshall University Memorial Student Center on Wednesday, 9 March 2022.

#### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

#### From Bill Noe Flight School (BNFS)

The BNFS has hired an Assistant Chief Instructor, Nancy Ritter, who brings significant executive experience with pilot training programs. We also recently hired a new Certified Flight Instructor (CFI), Todd Kingsolver.

#### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

#### From Bill Noe Flight School

We received our first multiengine plane, a Piper Seminole, on February 18th. This is our fourth aircraft and we have two additional Cirrus aircraft under contract.

Our students continue to conduct solo flights and move on towards cross-country training.

#### From Aviation Maintenance Technology

The Aviation Maintenance Technology (AMT) program and MU Foundation are in late-stage talks with a multinational aerospace manufacturer about possible grants to fund student tools and also fund student scholarships in the program. This would complement our status as a Delta School Partner.

The program continues to prepare for a start in Fall 2022. Several faculty attended the Aviation Technology Education Council conference in March 2022, where the FAA presented more information about the updated regulations for FAA Part 147 programs. Renovations for the second hangar are progressing, now with an expected completion date in late May or early June. FAA approval is still expected in June. We are meeting weekly with principals from Mountwest to coordinate the final details for the program opening.

# LEWIS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS (INTERIM DEAN: DR. JEFFREY ARCHAMBAULT)

#### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

**Dr. Amanda Thompson-Abbott** is the recipient of the 2022 West Virginia Society of CPAs Outstanding Accounting Educator Award. This award is given annually to one accounting educator who is a member of the society and teaches at a West Virginia college or university. She is recognized for her excellence in classroom teaching, outstanding interaction with students, and significant contributions to the accounting profession. A few of her notable contributions include serving as faculty adviser to the Kappa Phi Chapter of Beta Alpha Psi and Site Coordinator for the Marshall Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program for 14 years.

#### **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

Business students engaged in several activities during the months of November and December:

- West Virginia Innovation and Business Model Competition
  - Marshall University students, March 2
  - Universities from state of West Virginia, March 28
- Ethics Competition, March 9
- Perfect Pitch Showcase, March 3
- Sales Networking Day, March 24
- VITA by Beta Alpha Psi, several Thursdays during spring semester
- Formed chapter of Financial Management Association
- Student Advisory Board meeting, March 4
- Society for Advancement of Management International Business Conference & Competition (virtual), March 31- April 2
- Sales Team Competition at University of Kansas, April 8-9
- City on Campus Series with City National Bank (Cohen Business Professional Development)
  - Careers in Banking Panel, March 2
  - Cohen Talks with Dr. Skip Hageboeck, President/CEO, March 23
  - o Annual & Stakeholder Meeting, April 12 (John F. Rahal Center for Strategic Engagement)
- Business Leadership Symposium, April 14

#### Other Activities

- Sponsor of TEDxMarshallU, February 26
- Hosted community members and faculty at reserved box of basketball game, February 19
- Hosted FBLA meeting and made presentations to students, March 14-15
- Spring 2022 Business Teaching and Learning Conference, April 8
- Host City Holding Company Annual Meeting, April 12

#### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

- Authors: Lin X, Gaudino SJ, Jang KK, Bahadur T, Singh A, Banerjee A, Beaupre M, Chu T, Wong HT, Kim CK, Kempen C, Axelrad J, Huang H, Khalid S, Shah V, Eskiocak O, Parks OB, Berisha A, McAleer JP, Good M, Hoshino M, Blumberg R, Bialkowska AB, Gaffen SL, Kolls JK, Yang VW, Beyaz S, Cadwell K and Kumar P. IL-17RA signaling in Lgr5+ intestinal stem cells induces expression of transcription factor ATOH1 to promote secretory cell lineage commitment. *Immunity*, 2022, Feb 8; 55(2): 237-253.
- **Dr. Gayle Brazeau** is currently a visiting scholar at the Keck Graduate Institute in Claremont California. She is working with colleagues in pharmacy and the other health professions on manuscripts exploring the future of graduate professional and graduate education until the middle of May 2022.
- S. Plummer, J. Sparks, K. Broedel-Zaugg, D.A. Brazeau, K. Krebs, and G.A. Brazeau, "Trends in the Number of Authors and Institutions in Papers Published" in AJPE 2015-2019, *American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education*, March 2022, 8972; DOI: https://doi.org/10.5688/ajpe8972
- **Dr. Gayle Brazeau** presented "Cultures and Environments within Colleges/Schools", American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Academic Leadership Fellows Program. Westin, San Diego, CA, February 19, 2022.
- **Dr. Gayle Brazeau** was selected as one of 15 recipients for the March 2022 15 Days of Woman of Impact by Dress for Success River Cities.
- **Dr. Tiffany Davis** completed authoring a 3-part continuing education series on food allergies. This is being adopted by Kroger for all its stores.
- The Department of Pharmacy Practice, Administration, and Research submitted two posters for the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) mid-year meeting.
- The MUSOP poster displays our *Substance Use Disorder (SUD) program* and will feature interdisciplinary work including Continuing Education and the Office of Experiential Learning.
- An individual poster was submitted by **Dr. Craig Kimble, Dr. Omar Attarabeen, Professor Lisa Nord**, and **Dr. Chris Booth**: *Impact of Using the ADVANCE Platform on Student Professional Identity Formation*. This is a new tool the school is piloting through a grant from the American Pharmacists Association (APhA) with the P1 class.
- Kimble Craig. Pharmacies Should Review Automated Dispensing Cabinet Practices. Pharmacy Times – Health System Edition. March 2022:11(2): <u>https://www.pharmacytimes.com/view/pharmacies-should-review-automated-dispensingcabinet-practices</u>.
- **Kimble Craig, Clay Tyler, Attarabeen Omar**, et al. Analysis of student perceptions before and after interprofessional international medical mission APPEs to Honduras. *J Pub Health Issue Pract*, Feb 2022; 6(1):195: <u>https://doi.org/10.33790/jphip1100195</u>
- **Dr. Tim Long** was selected as grant reviewers for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) ZRG1 AIDC-D (80) A AREA/REAP: Infectious Diseases and Immunology Study Section

#### STUDENT / ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENTS

- The Student Executive Council (SEC) held a student organization fair in the lobby of the school for potential new memberships
- Phi Delta Chi members held a bingo fundraiser event at the school
- Kappa Psi held a diploma frame fundraiser for alumni and upcoming graduates
- SEC held a Penny Wars competition between the classes; pizza party prize for the winning class and proceeds to SEC
- APhA-ASP is currently holding a toiletries donation drive for the city mission

**Melba Vargas** received a \$15,000 West Virginia Health Sciences Service Program Award for loan repayment.

#### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- The School of Pharmacy hosted the Grand Vice President of Phi Delta Chi Professional Pharmacy Fraternity in March.
- The School of Pharmacy has entered into an affiliation with Caresource to provide experiential managed care experiences for up to 9 MUSOP students.
- The School of Pharmacy has developed a relationship with Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio to provide experiences for service-connected students.
- The School of Pharmacy has entered into an affiliation with the West Virginia Drug Intervention Institute in Charleston to provide experiential and community service opportunities focused on medication safety, SUD, education and other key areas for up to 9 students next academic year.
- Marshall University is working with the Accreditation Council for Medical Affairs to implement an elective course in Pharmaceutical Industry next year. Students would earn their Medical Affairs Competency Certificate (MACC) as part of this program. Implementation timeline is Spring 2023.

#### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

- **Dr. Gayle Brazeau** has been invited to serve another 3-yeat term on the Fairfield Community Development Corporation. She has also been elected as the Vice-Chairman for Hospice of Huntington Board of Trustees.
- **Dr. Angel Kimble** and **Dr. Craig Kimble** completed a brown bag session Feb 25th with the following students at the Health Fair at the AD Lewis Center in February. Students: **Jeff Hollifield, Victoria Dunford, Ashton Rexroad, Shadi Basai, Amber Daniel, Jordan Beer**.
- In February, student members of the MU chapter of the Association of Managed Care Pharmacy (AMCP) hosted a donation drive for Harmony House
- Student members of APhA-ASP held a blood drive on Feb 15