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# PROVOST REPORT

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

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## A Message from Academic Affairs

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Greetings!

The new academic year is well underway. There are many new faces, new ideas, and new projects. Here is a peek at some of the highlights in this report:

1. Prof. **Dan Hollis** was honored September 8, 2022, as one of five finalists for the Faculty Merit Foundation of West Virginia 2021 Professor of the Year Awards.
2. **Michaelson, G.**, Subterranean Research, ERDC, \$3,045,000. This grant is for continuation of the construction of the subterranean research facility at Marshall for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Dr. Michaelson is an Associate Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering.
3. **Isaac Larison**: Presented at the International Board on Books for Young People World Congress, Putrajaya, Malaysia September 5-8, 2022 and at the Institute of Polish Philosophy, University of Wroclaw, Poland June 17-19, 2022.
4. The first DNP class started this fall. The new BA/BS to BSN program will start in January 2023. In addition, there has been continued work on the new nursing lab at Glenville State University with the first sophomore class in Fall 2023.
5. **Dr. Robin Riner & Dr. Christina Franzen** received a **WV Humanities Grant for their project, Testament: Recovering Identity After the War**. Veterans study classical literature about war and warriors and lead discussion groups with other veterans in the state. Participants write about their experiences and post their stories on the Movable: Narratives of Recovery & Place web platform created by Marshall's Digital Humanities program.
6. Our Master's in Forensic Science program's class of 2022 participated in the Forensic Science Assessment Test (FSAT) and earned the highest score of any other program, ranking our program first in the nation.
7. There are 56 students in the flight program at the Bill Noe Flight School and due to increased interest in the program, they will start accepting new students for an incoming spring cohort.
8. In August, the College received the decision letters for its AACSB reaccreditation. The Continuous Improvement Review Committee of the AACSB recommended extending

accreditation for the degree programs in business and accounting for five additional years. As noted in the team report, Marshall University is to be commended on its best practices in business education. AACSB accreditation in both business and accounting puts the Lewis College of Business, Brad D. Smith Schools of Business among the top 1.5% of business schools worldwide.

9. MUSOP Alumni **Keaton Kaplan, Pharm.D., Kyler Gator Hazelett, Pharm.D., and Megan Dillon, Pharm.D.** recently collaborated with Marshall Health researchers and have been published in the online journal [Exploratory Research in Clinical and Social Pharmacy](#).

In addition to our academic units, our numerous student support services and programs report that:

1. The Office of Recruitment reports they have made upgrades to the Welcome Center and have revised the campus tour experience.
2. The Office of Career Education held their grand re-opening on August 30. The building underwent a complete remodel. The remodel provides better space utilization. Three additional offices were added for employers to use for student recruitment and interviews. Students also use the spaces for remote interviews.
3. The Center for Teaching and Learning has partnered with the Office of Career Education to embed National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) learning objectives and competencies directly into the First Year Seminar educational experience beginning in Fall 2022.
4. Partnering with the College of Science, CSS hosted the HErd REady Math & Chemistry workshops during the first two weeks of the semester. Top faculty in each of these subjects facilitated workshops for students taking introductory math and chemistry classes as part of Marshall's ongoing efforts to help new students catch up on any learning they may have missed in high school because of the pandemic.
5. The Counseling Center, in International and Student Affairs, offered a "We Are Here For You" event on the plaza, where 400 students checked in. Since August 15, they have seen 651 different students and held 2,369 appointments with students.
6. Dr. Monica Brooks, Dean of University Libraries, reports that the Drinko Library gate counts have doubled compared to this time last year indicating that students have returned to campus in full force!
7. Dr. Sabrina Simpson, Director of New Student Orientation and Coordinator of Tutoring Services in University College, has completed her certification as a National Tutoring Association Professional Tutor and Academic Coach Trainer and will strengthen and

centralize our tutoring services. Additionally, over 900 high school students have registered for one or more college level courses offered by Marshall University.

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

Sincerely,

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Provost

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## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND MEDIA (INTERIM DEAN: DR. WENDELL DOBBS)

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

- Carroll and Birke Art Galleries exhibit *Heirlooms and Bloody Soil* through September 15.
- Internship program uses *Handshake* (MU Career Education) to track intern placement and evaluation.
- Drum Corps International (DCI) event at JC Edwards Stadium - August 1.
- "Band Day" event for the Marching Thunder, JC Edwards Stadium - September 3.

### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Professors **Ian Hagarty** and **Danny Kaufmann** exhibition *Shared Reverence* – Commemorating the New River Gorge at the 6th edition of the European Cultural Centre's (ECC) continues through November 27, 2022.
- Professor **David Noel** presented at *Do Not Research* (July 2022); *Maternal Fantasies* (August 6, 2022); *Isantbul '74' Random Rainforest* (September 15, 2022).
- Dr. **Allyson Goodman**, published three class exercises published in textbook - *Advertising Creative: Strategy, Copy, and Design* (c. 2023).
- Prof. **Dan Hollis** was honored September 8, 2022, as one of five finalists for the Faculty Merit Foundation of West Virginia 2021 Professor of the Year Awards.
- Faculty Collage Concert, Smith Music Hall - August 26.
- **Johan Botes, Solen Dikener, Wendell Dobbs**, Woodlands & Smith Music Hall - August 31.
- Faculty Brass Quintet and Carline Waugh performed for the Presidential Investiture Ceremony, Morrow Library - Sept. 16.
- **Jack Colclough** presented Keynote Address, Fifth Annual WV Shakespeare Festival Huntington, WV.
- **Leah Turley** named Dir. of Education at Alban Arts Academy (Summer of 2022); directed two productions; and Playwriting Instructor (Week Summer Arts Camp).
- **Olivia Trees** has worked with costumes for *Traditions*, *Steel Magnolias* (Louisiana KY Theatre Company), and *Silent Sky* (Frostburg State University).
- **Jamez Morris Smith** remounted Scenic and Lighting Design for *Traditions* and supported the Governors Honors Academy, and the Governor's School of the Arts.
- **Kevin Bannon**, lighting and sound designer and operator for HART this summer.
- **Deb Carder-Deem** served as Stage Manager, Staff and Supervisor for productions with the Governor School of the Arts, the Governors Honors Academy.



## STUDENT & ALUMNI NEWS:

- **Barb Lavalley Benton** (Senior, BA Arts) presents her BFA Capstone Exhibition in Fall 2022 and is the inaugural apprentice at West Edge Arts for the academic year 2022-23.
- Painting BFA, **Levi Simpkins**, VAC Student Gallery solo show (September 2022).
- BFA Graphic Design, **Josh Perry**, Huntington Museum of Art exhibit (September 2022).
- **Samantha Taylor** (Painting BFA) and **Alexa Preston** (BA Visual Art & Design) were in residence at Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts in August 2022.
- BFA Graphic Design, **Cassandra Bhagroo** hosted an art show, featuring 10 watercolor and ink pieces from her time in Korea, as part of a summer study abroad scholarship.
- Fibers BFA, **Amy Pabst** will exhibit "Micropiecing: 200K" at the International Quilt Festival in Houston, TX on November 3-6, 2022.
- The spring 2022 and spring 2021 capstone students (**Sydney Starkey, Juliana Everly, Ralph May, Maggie Salmons, Emily Hayslett, Trey Delida, Lumina Fioravante, Chloe Cook, Mary Chapman, Olivia Bird, Cassie Hunt, Mariah Clay, Abby Hangan, Tabitha Hensley, Ben Wheeler, Tyler Spence, and Zane Adkins**) of **Dr. Terry L. Hapney, Jr.** earned six Public Relations Society of America – West Virginia Chapter Crystal awards on August 25, 2022, Clay Center in Charleston.
- Chamber Choir, Fife and Drum Corps, Marching Thunder performed for Presidential Investiture Ceremony, Sept 16.
- MU Theatre cast for *She Kills Monsters!* earned Society of American Fight Directors certificates for training with production weapons, choreographed by guest artist Fulton Burns, SAFFD Certified Fight Choreographer & Teacher.
- Jimi Lawson, Technical Director and Scenic Designer, and Chelsey Lily (2021), Asst. Director and Intimacy Director, on *Sing Down the Moon* with First Stage Theatre Company and 4th Ave Arts.
- Nathan Mohebbi (2012) stars in hit *Afterglow*, at the Hudson Theatre in Los Angeles, CA.
- Laura Frye (2005) stars as Imogen in *Cymbeline* at the Huston Shakespeare Festival.
- Brandon McCoy (2004) Peter in *Rhino Leap* Theatre Company's production of *The Pavilion*.
- Ethan Lyvers (2018) stars as Posthumus in *Cymbeline* at the Nashville, Shakespeare Festival.
- Ali Fletcher (2022) joined WV Summer Arts Camp as Advanced Acting Instructor.

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

- Marching Thunder performed with the Huntington Symphony Orchestra - September 10.
- Jack Colclough: Shakespeare Performance workshop with The Alchemy Theatre Troup.
- Mike Murphy is serving on a national task force to develop a mental health and substance abuse support mechanism for the Behind-the-Scenes Charity Foundation.

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

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### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Salary, R.**, Investigation of the Functional Properties of Ceramic Composite Materials, Fabricated Using Pneumatic Micro-Extrusion Additive Manufacturing Process, NASA, \$100,000.
- **Yoo, W. and D. Dampier**, GENCyber Grant for Teacher Training, NSA, \$140,249.41. This grant will fund teacher camps for Cyber Security Education over the next two summers. Dr. Yoo and Dr. Dampier are both Professors in the Department of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering.
- **Salem, A. and D. Dampier**, BBB: Battery Research Institute, \$6,000,000. This grant is part of the LIFT Center Proposal funded for the state of West Virginia and will be used to create a Battery Research institute to investigate batteries primarily for eVTOL aircraft but will also explore other types of batteries as well as fundamental research for the creation, maintenance, and reuse of batteries throughout their lifecycle. Dr. Salem is a Professor in the Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering and Dr. Dampier is a Professor in the Department of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering.
- **Lee, S.**, Engineering Research Initiation Grant, NSF, \$199,198. This grant is to support Dr. Lee's research in bioinformatics. Dr. Lee is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering.
- **Michaelson, G.**, Subterranean Research, ERDC, \$3,045,000. This grant is for continuation of the construction of the subterranean research facility at Marshall for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Dr. Michaelson is an Associate Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering.
- **Dampier, D. and J. Chute**, Law Enforcement Training for Digital Forensics and Forensic Genealogy, BJA, \$1.75M. Dr. Dampier is a Professor in the Department of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering, and Jason Chute is the Director of the Forensic Science Graduate Program.
- **Chowdhury, T. et al**, "Use of Scaling to Improve Reach in Virtual Reality for People with Parkinson's Disease," accepted for SeGAH 2022 (10th International Conference on Serious Games and Applications for Health). His co-authors are from U.T. San Antonio and College of New Jersey. Dr. Chowdhury is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Computer Sciences and Electrical Engineering at Marshall.
- **Nosoudi, N. et al**, "The predictive value of serum bilirubin in the post-liver transplant de novo malignancy: A data mining approach." *Healthcare Analytics, a Science Direct*. Dr. Nosoudi and Dr. Shim are Assistant Professors in the Department of Biomedical Engineering at Marshall, Co-authors include two students in biomedical engineering as well as two colleagues from Wright State University.

## COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

(DEAN: DR. TERESA EAGLE)

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- The healthy and growing Counseling program added a new faculty member this fall. **Dr. Jerry Dooley** is now on board, as the faculty are working on updating reports and policies to address the growing enrollment.
- The Marshall University OSEP-sponsored *Special Education and Resiliency Grant Project*, a joint interdisciplinary initiative between the **Special Education, School Counseling, School Psychology, and Psychology Programs**, awarded 18 graduate candidates in 2022 up to \$16,000 per candidate to fund tuition in their graduate degree programs. After graduation, these candidates will provide services to children who require special education, related services, and/ or early intervention services in the schools. The following faculty from the COEPD are members: **Drs. Lanai Jennings, Conrae Lucas-Adkins, Sandra Stroebe, Debra Lockwood, Jennifer McFarland-Whisman, Missy Reed and Carol Smith.**
- The **School Psychology Program** has partnered with Berkeley County Schools in West Virginia to train a cohort of 14 school psychologists.
- Special Education faculty members collaborated on chapters in the soon-to-be available textbook *Collaborative Models and Frameworks for Inclusive Educator Preparation Programs*. Authors include **Wendi Dunham, Debra Lockwood, Jennifer McFarland-Whisman** along with Kimberly Floyd, a colleague at WVU.

### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Bob Rubenstein:** Invited presentation to Upshur County Public Schools Transportation Department Conference on August 8.
- **Sandra Stroebe:** Awarded \$40,000 by the WV HEPC Behavioral Health Workforce Education Initiative. The money was awarded to 10 school psychology practicum candidates placed in rural practicum sites to increase the number of behavioral health professionals in rural communities.
- **Isaac Larison:** Presented at the International Board on Books for Young People World Congress, Putrajaya, Malaysia September 5-8, 2022 and at the Institute of Polish Philosophy, University of Wrocław, Poland June 17-19, 2022.
- **Debra Lockwood and Eugenia Lambert** completed the first Department Chair Leadership Academy.

- **Feon Smith-Branch**, Chair of the local Health Sciences & Technology Academy (HSTA) and Vice-Chair of the West Virginia HSTA Joint Governing Board, served on the planning committee for the HLC QI Marshall University and HSTA “Near Peer Mentoring Program.” Marshall students will serve as research and college near-peer mentors to students in Southern West Virginia High School HSTA clubs.
- **Melinda Isaacs** was named to the Board of Directors of Shepherds College, a post-secondary program in Union Grove WI, designed specifically for students with intellectual or developmental disabilities..
- **Jeff Garrett** Presented at the American Mental Health Counselor Association in Las Vegas, NV in June: “Twelve-Step Cognitive Behavior Therapy for Substance Use and Co-Occurring Disorders.”

#### STUDENT & ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Matthew Messer** (EdD 2020) is serving as a Boone County Commissioner and as the Principal of Scott High School in Madison, WV.
- **Abby Broome** and **Allyson Perry**, doctoral candidates, presented at Cabell County Educational Excellence Summit in June 2022. Graduates of the Literacy Education Program, **Greg House**, **Deanna Racer**, and **Linda Long** also made presentations at the Summit.

#### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- In the 14 months since Senate Bill 632 (2021) passed the WV ATC has trained more than 1,200 officers.
- In August, the College Program provided autism-specific training (through a program called Allies for Autism) to 1091 faculty, staff, and students during WOW!
- The college program supports a 20-year high of 67 students this semester.
- The JHC in collaboration the CDA and ECE faculty partnered with the international literacy organization, Worldreader, to enhance family outreach.
- “An Evening with Dolly” on August 9 at the Clay Center in Charleston, Statewide celebration of Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library in WV had 1,500 guests in attendance and raised \$51,000 in sponsorships and donations. As of September 2022 48,500, children are enrolled in the program (51% of all eligible WV children are participating).
- **Brian Kinghorn** helped to coordinate efforts in “Helping Hands” relief efforts in Eastern Kentucky in August. Nearly 3,000 volunteers came from 8 states to assist with cleanup efforts. Brian also directed the third virtual National Youth Science Camp in July. Delegates represented over 40 states and 12 Western Hemisphere nations.

## COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS (DEAN: DR. MICHAEL PREWITT)

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The first DNP class started this fall. The new BA/BS to BSN program will start in January 2023. In addition, there has been continued work on the new nursing lab at Glenville State University with the first sophomore class in Fall 2023.

### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

- Mountain Health Network held a Care Symposium entitled “Compassion Care” on 6/24/22. **Dr. Bobbie Taylor** was the keynote speaker. The presentation was titled “Understanding Addiction.”
- **Dr. Ferguson** presented at the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Nursing Faculty Development Conference at UK in May on her research finding regarding the “Psychological Impact of COVID-19 on Rural Appalachian Acute Care Nurses.
- **Dr. Nancy Elkins** and **Dr. Bobbie Taylor** presented “Nursing Students' Perceptions of Caring for Patients with Substance Use Disorders” at the Sigma International Nursing Conference Creating Healthy Work Environments 2022.
- **Dr. Bobbie Taylor** and **Dr. Nancy Elkins** presented “Nursing Students’ Knowledge of Substance Use Disorders and the Development of Substance Use Disorders Course” at the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Doctoral Education Conference.

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The SON was awarded the WVHECP Nurse Faculty Investment Award for the Heartmath training. The School of Nursing is launching the resiliency program in which seven faculty members became certified. This plan is to implement within the SON with faculty and students and expansion to clinics and the community.

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

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- The **Psychology Department** began their Bachelor of Science degree option this fall with twenty-nine students enrolled.
- The **English Department** and **Graduate Humanities** programs are developing a partnership with **Mountain State Press**, a local publishing enterprise previously headquartered at College of Charleston. The press is directed by **Cat Pleska**, author, teacher, and currently an Instructor in the English Department at Marshall.
- The **Department of Communication Studies** has opened a new **Presentation Center** this fall. Headed by Dr. Clinton Brown, assistant professor of Communication Studies, the Center provides tutoring and coaching for students in any course or program on campus to prepare and refine speeches and oral presentations for their courses.

### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Dr. Robin Riner & Dr. Christina Franzen** received a **WV Humanities Grant for their project, Testament: Recovering Identity After the War**. Veterans study classical literature about war and warriors and lead discussion groups with other veterans in the state. Participants write about their experiences and post their stories on the Movable: Narratives of Recovery & Place web platform created by Marshall's Digital Humanities program.
- **Anna Rollins** published "The Dangerous Myth That Hurts College Freshmen" in *Slate*, won a Love of Learning Award from Phi Kappa Phi honorary society, published an essay "I'm Letting My 5-year-old Watch Stranger Things" in *TinyBeans*, and had her story "Between the Sunflower Stalks" published in the *New York Times*.

### STUDENT & ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENTS

- Nine COLA majors were inducted into Phi Kappa Phi national honorary society (top 10% of seniors and graduate students, top 7.5% of juniors): Psychology majors **Sarah Smith, MacKenzee Bell, and Lauren Gaal**; English majors **Jordan McGee, Molly O'Callaghan, Madeline Merritt, and Payton Salmons**; ENG grad student **Hallie Knipp**; and SPN major **Ethan Matovich**.
- **Kelsey Beilstein**, a graduate student in English, has a paid internship doing research, writing, and publicity for the "In Their Own Country" project, celebrating the work of 14 acclaimed West Virginia writers.

- **Sarah Statz**, senior double majoring in Psychology and Health Sciences, is working as an **intern with the Fairfield Community Development Council**, working with Executive Director Rashad Sanders.
- **Dr. Matt Richards** (BA, Communication Studies, 2007) has been **promoted to Associate Professor of Communication at Appalachian State University**. Matt earned an MA at Syracuse and a PhD at the University of Utah before joining the faculty at Appy State. In 2009, Matt spent a year teaching English in Korea.
- **Jordan Garrison**, a 2019 graduate in Communication Studies, is a **data analyst at the Prince George's County Health Department in Maryland**. Jordan previously served as an administrator and project manager for Capital Area Asset Builders.
- **Stephen McClung** (MA Speech/Communication Studies, 1986) is **Director of Sustainability at Florida A&M University**. Dr. McClung previously served as a Marketing faculty member at Florida State University, Associate Dean of Business & Economics at Mercer University, and Dean of the School of Business at Jacksonville State University.
- **Sophie Ezell**, English BA 2020, has **published an essay**, "Without Ceasing" in the June issue of *The Sun*. Sophie is currently pursuing an MFA at Oklahoma State University.
- **Nate Hensley** has been an employee at Marshall for nearly 10 years. In September he began a new assignment as **Coordinator of Campus Based Services for the College Program For Students With Autism** Spectrum Disorder. Nate is a 2010 BA graduate in Psychology.

#### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- **Dr. Kevin Law**, professor of Geography, serves as the **state Climatologist for West Virginia**.
- **Dr. Hilary Brewster and Dr. Dawn Goel** serve as Victim Advocates at the CONTACT Rape Crisis Center. Dr. Brewster is associate professor of English and Director of the Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies program. Dr. Goel is professor of Psychology.
- **Dr. Robin Riner**, professor of Anthropology, serves on the Board of Branches Domestic Violence Shelter.
- Psychology undergraduate student group, Psi Chi, serves lunch once a month at Harmony House; PsyD students work with Dr. Sydney McElroy at the free medical clinic providing behavioral health services to Harmony House and Vanity Fair clients; and clinical psychology students provide group recovery support for homeless, newly housed, and unstably housed persons in the community.
- **Lisa Hamm**, junior Anthropology major, volunteers with the Huntington Children's Museum project, providing programming that will foster learning, curiosity, research, and discovery for children in our community.

## COLLEGE OF SCIENCE (INTERIM DEAN: MR. BRIAN MORGAN)

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Our Master's in Forensic Science program's class of 2022 participated in the Forensic Science Assessment Test (FSAT) and earned the highest score of any other program, ranking our program first in the nation.
- The **Department of Physics** started a new program in Fall 2022: MS in Physical and Applied Science, Physics for Physics Teachers, which is a fully online program for in-service teachers.

### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Dr. Xiaojuan Fan**, Physics, was named a 2022 Air Force Research Laboratory Summer Faculty Fellow and received a 2022-2023 NASA WV Space Consortium Research Initiative Grant.
- **Dr. Yousef Fazea**, CIT, published three papers, including "Quantum Computing: Current Progress and Future Directions."
- **Dr. Maria Babiuc Hamilton**, Physics, presented at the North American Einstein Toolkit School 2022, University of Idaho and Star Quest XVI, Central Appalachian Astronomical Society, Green Bank, WV and published "Merging Black Holes: Assessing the Performance of Two Analytic Gravitational Waves Models."
- **Dr. John Markiewicz**, Chemistry, published a peer-reviewed paper, "Synthesis, optical and electronic studies of a "clickable" quinoxaline-based pH sensor."
- **Dr. Davide Andrea Mauro**, CIT, presented "Preserving, Restoring, and Passing Down Video-Game Music from the Past: The Case of DirectMusic" at the 19th International Sound & Music Computing Conference in Saint-Etienne, France in June.
- **Dr. Laura McCunn-Jordan**, Chemistry, presented at the International Symposium on Molecular Spectroscopy in Urbana-Champaign in June 2022, and had 2 publications, including "Developing an Undergraduate Research Laboratory for Experimental Physical Chemistry."
- **Dr. Kyle Palmquist**, Biology, published three articles, including "Fire history and vegetation data reveal ecological benefits of recent high-severity fires in the Cumberland Mountains, West Virginia, USA." Dr. Palmquist also received a combined \$114,016 from the USGS and Department of Navy MCRD for two projects.
- **Dr. Pam Puppo**, Biology, signed a Non-Assistance Cooperative Agreement (NACA) with the US Department of Agriculture for "Sunflower pollinator foraging on Non-Helianthus



plants;" organized a 2-day workshop on Bioinformatics and Genomics at West Virginia University and gave two talks at Botany 2022 in Anchorage, Alaska.

- **Dr. Leslie Quick**, Criminal Justice and Criminology, published a book chapter entitled "A Failure to Accommodate: Inequality, Disability, and the Criminal Legal System."
- **Dr. Rosalyn Quinones**, Chemistry, published two articles, including "Quantification of Cannabis in infused consumer products and their residues on skin" (with Dr. Lauren Waugh, Forensics). Dr. Quinones also received a "Love of Learning Award" by The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi.
- **Dr. Michael Schroeder**, Math, published two papers titled "Primitive Cycle Decompositions of  $K_n$  and  $K_{n-1}$ " and "On a completion problem for Latin arrays."
- **Drs. Jayme Waldron and Shane Welch**, Biology, received funding for "Current and Historical Land Management as Predictors of Amphibian Occupancy and Diversity in the Longleaf Pine Ecosystem" and "HERPETOFAUNA AND SMALL MAMMALS SURVEYS YEAR 2."
- **Dr. Waldron** received funding for "Reproductive Ecology of Insular Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnakes" and "Mark-Recapture Methods in Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnakes."
- **Dr. Stephen Young**, Criminal Justice & Criminology, published "Teaching Preparation and Professional Development Coursework in Doctoral Programs: The Example of Criminology and Criminal Justice"; "Content Analysis in Rural Criminology"; and "Emerging Intersections in Appalachia: #BLM, Police Abolition, and Anti-Capitalist Social Movements."

#### STUDENT & ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Eden Cantrell**, Biology, received HEPC Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowship (SURE) and a NASA West Virginia Space Grant Student Fellowship for her work in **Dr. Nadja Spitzer's** lab.
- **Cody Goodson**, working with **Dr. Kyle Palmquist**, received a \$12,000 WV NASA Space Grant Consortium Student Fellowship titled "Changes in coastal vegetation distribution over a 23-year period in response to sea-level rise."
- **Paul Summers** and **Brooke Burns**, seniors in Geology, conducted field work for the NSF sponsored project in Greenland, "Architecture of Earthquakes in the Deep Crust: International Arctic Expedition Science for Undergraduates."
- **Peter Starnes** (BS Geology, 2013) presented "Hydrogeology and Geochemistry of Arsenic Contaminated Shallow Alluvial Aquifers in Florida and Alabama" to the Geology department.

## DIVISION OF AVIATION (CHIEF AVIATION OFFICER: MR. BILL NOE)

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

#### Bill Noe Flight School:

- 56 students in the flight program; accepting an incoming spring class with an additional 8 students
- Current GPA average 3.18 / 3.6 in major
- Excellence in Aviation Series - Professional industry speaking series in August and September.
- First FAA 141 (Aviation Program) Audit inspection was completed with no FAA findings
- Received FAA approval for the schools operating & procedures manual
- Implemented a professional uniform code
- Created and executed the first overflight process and flight team for Marshall University events
- Intra - Marshall University support flying continues to be successful
- Accepting non-degree seeking flight training students, which provides an additional revenue stream
- Employed 5 new flight instructors with 2 additional in process
- Employed 5 student assistants to cover some part time and some single opportunity events

#### Aviation Maintenance Technology Program HTS:

- In the first class the program accepted its first twenty students August 22nd
- Received \$50,000 donation from Embraer to purchase tools for student use
- Delta staff Training early in August delta airlines set their instructor performance trainer to our facility at tri-state airport to conduct two days of instructor training with the staff of the maintenance and flight school. Delta will continue to work with the program to create opportunities for specialized instructor training.

### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

#### Aviation Maintenance Technology Program HTS:

- **Jim Smith**, Program Director of the AMT program will be the PI for an Earmark grant of \$1,000,000 to collaborate with the RCBI with a focus on continued aerospace economic development.
- **Jim Smith** is now in the Legislative board for Aviation Technician Education Council program director. ATEC is the industry body that represents most aviation maintenance schools nationwide. He has also been nominated to the board of directors for the council beginning in October of 2022

## **STUDENT & ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENTS**

Bill Noe Flight School:

- 6 private pilots and 2 instrument rated pilots and 19 have soloed

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Bill Noe Flight School:

- Developing pathways to the aviation and airline industry (NetJets, FlexJet, the Air National Guard). These relationships will lead to state-of-the-art instructional techniques and employment for our graduates during and after their education.
- Hosted two Open Houses

Aviation Maintenance Technology Program HTS:

- Ribbon Cutting on August 25th attended by many industry formal partners, Delta Airlines technical operations, Embraer, FedEx, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries and GE.

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

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- The Lewis College of Business, Brad D. Smith Schools of Business welcomed six new faculty members and three new staff members this fall.
  - Dr. **Dan Chen**, Assistant Professor of Management, recently received her doctorate from the University of Texas at Arlington and started in a tenure-track position here at Marshall.
  - Professor **Jennifer Mak**, and Assistant Professors **Jungsu Ryu** and **Lei Ouyang** transferred from the College of Health Professions to the Lewis College of Business, along with the Sports Business undergraduate and graduate programs.
  - **Clifton Dedrickson** from MURC is serving as the Director of the Service Wire Transformative Sales and Service Excellence Center and teaching sales and marketing classes, and **Chad Peltier** from the US Military joined the College as Professor of Military Science.
  - The new staff members include **Jeanette Porter**, Business Manager in the Deans Office; **Hannah Dillenbeck**, Student Services Specialist in the College's Advising Office, and **Paige Leonard**, Assistant Director for the iCenter. The college is looking forward to collaborating with these individuals and hopes they will have a successful career here at Marshall.
- The College's second DBA cohort of 16 students started this semester. The class of 2025 has an average of 19 years of work experience and a mean age of 46 years. Forty-four percent are from academia (56% from practice); four are concentrating in accounting, four in healthcare management, and eight in management/entrepreneurship. Students are from across the US including the states of West Virginia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas, California, Kentucky, New York, and Georgia. All students partook in design-thinking trainings held by Dr. Ben Eng, Executive Director of the iCenter and Paige Leonard, the Assistant Director.
- In August, the College received the decision letters for its AACSB reaccreditation. The Continuous Improvement Review Committee of the AACSB recommended extending accreditation for the degree programs in business and accounting for five additional years. As noted in the team report, Marshall University is to be commended on its best practices in business education. AACSB accreditation in both business and accounting puts the Lewis College of Business, Brad D. Smith Schools of Business among the top 1.5% of business schools worldwide.

- The Lewis College of Business awarded \$130,5512.75 in named scholarships from 60 donors.

#### **FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS**

- The West Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants (WVSCPA) recognized several alumni of Marshall University as award winners at their annual meeting:
  - Kathy Eddy WV Young CPA of the Year: Charles A. (Alex) Peach, 2010
  - Outstanding CPA in Business & Industry Anna K. Neil, 2011
  - Public Service Award Tomi J. Weber, 1979
  - Outstanding Educator Award Dr. Amanda K. Thompson-Abbott, 2001-03
  - Outstanding CPA in Government Erica L. Boggess

#### **STUDENT & ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENTS**

- The Student Center for Public Trust (Student CPT) achieved Golden Star status for the 2021-2022 school year. The Marshall chapter is led by Dr. Timothy Bryan, Assistant Professor of Accountancy and is sponsored by the Maier Foundation.
- Marshall's chapter of Beta Gamma Sigma (BGS) received High Honors from the BGS Global HQ office. Congratulations go to faculty advisor Dr. Ben Eng, Associate Professor of Marketing, and chapter leaders Lacie Bittinger, Nabaneeta Biswas, Tim Bryan, Annika Behnke, Laney Blatt, and Kelly Leonard for their contributions in leading the group last year.

#### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

- The college hosted Dr. Viswanath Venkatesh, an Eminent Scholar and Verizon Chair of Business Information Technology at the Pamplin College of Business, Virginia Tech as its Dean's Distinguished Speaker at its College Retreat in August. Dr. Venkatesh is widely regarded as one of the most influential scholars in business. He is also involved with a number of organizations, advising them on their strategic directions and has traveled across the globe and presented to the academic and business community including a presentation to the United Nations. During his visit, Dr. Venkatesh showed faculty how rigorous research can have social impact. He discussed his recent research in India that involves bringing technology to help women become successful entrepreneurs.

## SCHOOL OF PHARMACY (INTERIM DEAN: DR. ERIC BLOUGH)

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- October is American Pharmacists Month. We have multiple events planned for the month. Details, along with participants, will be provided in the next report.
- The school had the following staffing additions:
  - **Mr. Nicholas Adams**, Experiential Learning Coordinator & Continuing Education Specialist
  - **Dr. Jordan Browning**, Clinical Assistant Professor

### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Dr. Gayle Brazeau** had a paper published in the August edition of the American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education. "Pursuing Excellence in Your Academic Journey."
- **Dr. Jen Sparks** is speaking on Antibiotic Awareness at a continuing education event in September.
- **Dr. Brittany Riley** is speaking on Drug Diversion for a continuing education event at the West Virginia Pharmacist Association meeting in October.
- **Dr. Craig Kimble** co-authored a publication appearing in the September edition of Pharmacy Times, Coustasse A, Maxik K, and **Kimble C**. Prescribing Controlled Substances Goes Electronic: Eliminating Paper Prescriptions Allows for Greater Legibility, Security, and Tractability for Pharmacists, Providers. Pharmacy Times – Health System Edition. Publication Pending Sept. Edition. Pg. 12-13.
- **Dr. Craig Kimble** was elected as the new Chair of the Department of Pharmacy Practice, Administration, and Research. Previously, Dr. Kimble served as interim chair.

### STUDENT & ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENTS

- MUSOP Alumni **Keaton Kaplan, Pharm.D., Kyler Gator Hazelett, Pharm.D., and Megan Dillon, Pharm.D.** recently collaborated with Marshall Health researchers and have been published in the online journal [Exploratory Research in Clinical and Social Pharmacy](#).

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Multiple MUSOP faculty and students participated in the Save a Life Day Naloxone event in locations all over Huntington.
- MUSOP students collaborated with Marshall Medical Outreach and the School of Medicine to provide vaccines, over-the-counter products, and offer counseling on tobacco cessation.
- The SOP sponsored a golf team to participate in the 31<sup>st</sup> annual Golf Tournament on August 8<sup>th</sup>. **Drs. Craig Kimble** (faculty), **Casey Fitzpatrick** (faculty, alumni), **Chris Fitzpatrick** (Alumni, Encompass Health), and student **Lee Chaffin** represented the school at the event.

- The school is collaborating with Hurricane Family Pharmacy (owned and operated by an alumnus) and the Hal Greer Walgreens location to offer several Flu and Covid vaccine clinics to students, faculty, staff, and the community throughout the months of September and October.
- MUSOP participated in the Hospice of Huntington “Heating up the Greens” golf tournament on August 8<sup>th</sup> at Guyan Country Club. The following third-year students, along with **Professor Lisa Nord**, volunteered at the event, **Jocelyn Hodges, Logan Wakham, Shadi Bashai, Cole Hollifield, Hannah Carreon and Kylie Hatfield.**

ADMISSIONS: ENROLLMENT SERVICES (DEAN: DR. TAMMY JOHNSON)

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# FALL 2023 RECRUITMENT CYCLE UPDATE

## GREEN & WHITE DAY ATTENDANCE COMPARISON



## FAIRS/VISITS COMPARISON

### ANTICIPATED VISITS THRU DEC. 31

402

FALL 2023 FAIRS/VISITS  
INCLUDING NEW METRO COUNTY VISITS

313

FALL 2022 FAIRS/VISITS

### ANTICIPATED VISITS THRU OCT. 19

187

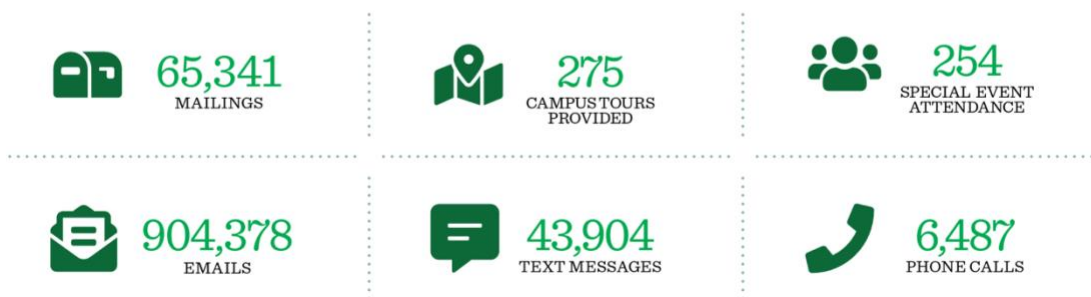
FALL 2023 FAIRS/VISITS  
INCLUDING NEW METRO COUNTY VISITS

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FALL 2022 FAIRS/VISITS

Scheduled visits for Fall 2023 recruitment cycle include new metro counties that are still to be scheduled (approximately 80 fairs/visits). Scheduled visits through Dec. 31 are subject to change and include projected numbers.

## RECRUITMENT EFFORTS TO DATE FOR FALL 2023



Numbers are accurate as of 10/03/2022.

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

## RECRUITMENT (ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS FOR RECRUITMENT - ELLA CURRY)

### FALL 2022 RECRUITMENT EFFORTS

During the Fall 2022 admission cycle, the Office of Recruitment engaged in various recruiting efforts, including

- 678,000 mailings (brochures, postcards, and information packets for students and their parents/guardians;
- 5 million emails
- 209,000 texts
- 115,000 phone calls
- 350,000 social media impressions (increase of 791% over previous recruiting cycle)
- 500 school visits
- 150 college fairs
- 3,500 campus tours
- 2,260 with direct on-campus contact
- digital communications, in-person visits, and on-campus experiences.

### RECRUITMENT CHANGES FOR FALL 2023

For the upcoming Fall 2023 admission cycle, recruiting efforts from the previous year will continue, with enhancements to increase the effectiveness and volume of those efforts. Significantly, in alignment with the University-wide Strategic Enrollment Management Plan, communications will be tailored for each identified student segment, providing specific information for the following student segments: first year, transfer, graduate, distance, international, adult/nontraditional, military-connected, non-degree/dual enrollment/professional development, metro, and non-resident.



In addition to the shift to a more student-centered recruitment strategy, recruitment has also begun in the new metro counties that were recently approved. These 44 new counties are home to 148 schools, necessitating the addition of 296 school visits to the recruitment schedule. Two new enrollment counselors will be added to the Office of Recruitment staff, with travel and recruiting assignments tailored to these new metro counties.

Green and White Day Open House events for this upcoming cycle are in-person and back to normal following the pandemic. Four events have been scheduled for fall 2022: September 17<sup>th</sup>,

October 15<sup>th</sup>, November 11<sup>th</sup>, and November 12<sup>th</sup>. Spring 2023 dates are to be determined. Interested prospective students can register for upcoming Green and White Day events at <https://apply-new.marshall.edu/portal/greenandwhite>.

## UPGRADED CAMPUS VISIT EXPERIENCE

A college campus visit is one of the most meaningful activities for prospective students and their families when choosing a university. A positive experience during the prospective student's campus visit will likely cause a school to become one of the top choices for that prospective student. In alignment with an increased focus on the student experience, the Office of Recruitment has upgraded the campus visit experience.

### *Lobby Experience in the Welcome Center*

The Welcome Center is often the first place prospective students and their families visit. To create a positive impression for each visitor, updated furniture and a new television that plays a continuous video about Marshall were installed. Other improvements included: iPad stations for students to check in, apply for admission, or pay enrollment deposits on-site; a wheelchair was added to serve visitors better, and a new Marshall branded piece of wall art was installed in the presentation room. Finally, a photo-op station, where students can pose for photos to share on social media, is coming soon!

### *Campus Tour Improvements*

Every visitor to Marshall University's campus should feel like a VIP. To help accomplish that goal, we have upgraded student giveaways, increased tour options to better accommodate guests' schedules, and put a new eight-seat electric golf cart into service. Visitors can now experience our campus while shaded and without walking, elevating the experience for everyone and increasing campus accessibility for all guests.



Welcome Center Lobby Before



Welcome Center Lobby After



Walking Tour



Golf Cart Tour



## CAREER EDUCATION (DIRECTOR: MS. CRISTINA MCDAVID)

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The Office of Career Education held their grand re-opening on August 30. The building underwent a complete remodel during the fall 2021 semester. The remodel provides better space utilization. Three additional offices were added for employers to use for student recruitment and interviews. Students have also been using the spaces for remote interviews.



## CENTER FOR TEACHING & LEARNING (INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: DR. APRIL FUGETT)

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Prior to the start of each term, The Center for Teaching and Learning hosts New Faculty Orientation (NFO) programs for full-time and adjunct faculty who are joining the faculty in the upcoming semester. We welcomed a total of 72 new faculty members, with more than 30 attending NFO opening events. NFO programming will extend into the fall and spring terms.
- TRACE (Teaching, Research, and Community Engagement) Tuesday is a day of presentations and workshops devoted to a focus on faculty. All Marshall University faculty are invited to attend. More than 65 current and new faculty participated in events throughout the day

### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

April Fugett, along with colleagues from Psychology and the School of Medicine and current students, presented research at two conferences.

- Fugett, A., Black, B., Beard, K.W., & Kinsey, M. (2022, August). The Psychology of Our Favorite Villains. Paper presented at C2E2 (Chicago Comic and Entertainment Expo). Chicago, IL.
- Beard, K.W., Fugett, A., Black, B., Kinsey, M. & Kinder, L. (2022, July). The Psychology of the Cosplayer. Paper presented at San Diego Comic-Con International. San Diego, CA.

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Two community engagement projects were highlighted at our TRACE Tuesday event.

- Making Work That Can Make a Difference: Filmmaking as Community Engagement was presented by Tijah Bumgarner, Assistant Professor, W. Page Pitt School of Journalism & Mass Communications. The presentation focused on students in her Advertising/Public Relations Video Production engaging with community partners (clients), such as Stepping Stones and the MU Collegiate Recovery Community, where they are invited into the classroom to share their needs for fundraising, awareness, promotion, and other needs. Within a participatory framework, students learn not only the real-world fundamentals of filmmaking in technical aspects through hands-on learning, but also gain knowledge of their surrounding communities and the complex relations of representation, access, and story.

- The Value of Community-Based Learning for Communities, Scholars, and Students was presented by Sandra Kemper, Director, Community-Based Learning Program. This interactive presentation was for all faculty who have an interest in thinking about how to make curricular connections to the community.

#### **COLLABORATIONS & PARTNERSHIPS**

- First Year Seminar (FYS) has partnered with the Office of Career Education to embed National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) learning objectives and competencies directly into the FYS educational experience beginning in Fall 2022.

## CENTER FOR STUDENT SUCCESS (DIRECTOR: DR. KATERYNA SCHRAY)

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- The Friend-at-Marshall (FAM) Peer Mentoring Program assigned peer mentors to 1558 freshmen and 337 transfer students, and reconnected FAMs with 1552 returning sophomores. There are a total of 31 FAM Peer Mentors working with students this fall, reaching out on a weekly basis by email, text and/or in-person to help students get adjusted to campus, answer any questions they might have, and point them to any resources they might need.
- This fall, 37 students are being served by the Alternative Suspension Program. This high-touch program allows students who are suspended for academic reasons to serve their suspensions while taking UNI 104 instead of sitting out a term. Students in the program receive support from CSS as they working to identify and overcome the challenges that impeded their success in the past
- After a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic, Supplemental Instruction (SI) is back at Marshall! SI is an academic support program that targets historically difficult courses; it is a non-remedial approach to learning enrichment that increases student performance and retention. SI sessions are facilitated by student leaders, near-peers who guide students in learning how to learn the material and succeed in the class. There are three SI sections offered this fall, two for Anatomy (BSC 227) and one for Chemistry (CHM 211) with an average attendance across the three sections of 40 students.
- Thanks to the generosity of Lake Polan, so far in the fall semester, CSS assisted 42 students with textbook and access code purchases totaling over \$11,000.

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Assistant Director of Student Success Jay Rader returned for the third season as head Coach for the Winfield Boys' soccer team.

### COLLABORATION & PARTNERSHIPS

- Partnering with the College of Science, CSS hosted the HErd REady Math & Chemistry workshops during the first two weeks of the semester. Top faculty in each of these subjects – Dr. Elizabeth Niese, Dr. Shannon Miller-Mace, Prof. Mary Crytzer, Dr. Leslie Frost, Dr. Rosalynn Quiñones, and Prof. Jen Markiewicz – facilitated workshops for students taking introductory Math classes (MTH 127, MTH 130, MTH 132) and chemistry classes (CHM 111, CHM 205, CHM 211) as part of Marshall's ongoing efforts to help new students catch up on any learning they may have missed in high school because of the pandemic. 57 students

participated in the workshops. Results from the post-survey are overwhelmingly positive and indicate that the workshops helped students not only with the course content but also with feeling more connected to and welcomed at Marshall.

- CSS hosted the first of four Intercultural Dinner Groups on Tuesday, September 13, 2022, as part of Marshall's three-year HLC Quality Initiative "Building a Stronger and More Inclusive Marshall Community." Thirty-six students met in small groups to make new friends and celebrate their identities and the identities of their new friends over a Tour of Asia dinner buffet, origami, and engaging discussion prompts.



## INTERCULTURAL & STUDENT AFFAIRS (VICE PRESIDENT: DR. MARCIE SIMMS)

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The Intercultural and Student Affairs division started with a busy semester welcoming new and returning students. As the university returns to normalcy after COVID, the division is happy to return to in-person events and in-person meetings with students.

#### COUNSELING CENTER:

- “We Are Here for You” event on the plaza (400 students checked in at the event)
- Since 8/15/22, 651 students (237 new students, 414 returning students)
- Since 8/15/22, 2,369 appointments

#### DISABILITY SERVICES:

- Disability Services has 521 registered students. (At the end of Fall 2021, there were 414)
- 134 students have had academic accommodations sent to instructors
- 49 approved Emotional Support Animals
- 67 approved housing accommodations approved

#### INTERNATIONAL & INTERCULTURAL AFFAIRS:

##### *Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Queer/Questioning+ Office (LGBTQ+)*

- Reactivated the LGBTQ+ Support Group Queer to Slay
- Revamped the Gay Straight Alliance Student Organization
- Celebrating LGBTQ+ History Month, October 1<sup>st</sup> – October 31<sup>st</sup>
  - a. Partnering with Relay for Life
  - b. Partnering with Huntington Pride

##### *Center for African American Students*

- Chaired Committee for West Virginia University’s Statewide Multicultural Student Leadership Retreat, the Reimagining Engagement with Action, Culture and History (R.E.A.C.H) Conference, September 23<sup>rd</sup> – September 25<sup>th</sup>
- Working with Marshall University Black Alumni Association and Black United Students to host homecoming events for students and returning alumni

##### *International Students Office*

- Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month September 15<sup>th</sup> – October 15<sup>th</sup>
- Hosted International Students and Faculty Reception
- Reactivated the International Students Organization

*Military & Veterans Affairs:*

- The student chapter of Student Veterans of America has been reestablished and is looking forward to growing the membership for all military-connected students.
- Four students from the Student Veterans of America student chapter will attend the national conference in Orlando in January.

*Student Advocacy/Parent & Family Programs:*

- Parent and Family member focus groups completed
- Family Weekend 9/30-10/3 (730 registered) Largest we have had, and it was a great success.
- Received the Benedum grant for over \$33,000 to work on efforts to make our campus a Trauma Informed Resilience Infused Campus
- Received grant from HEPC to provide Mental Health First Aid to EMS Workers as a community initiative. We can train over 100 individuals.
- Friends of Herd Chat rolled out this semester. Students answer the chat Monday through Thursday from 7 pm to 9 pm.
- Resource Fair on the MSC plaza had 30 participating departments.
- Completed 2 Tristate Transit Authority training for students

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

*Diversity and Inclusion:*

- Co-sponsor of the Tri-State Diversity Conference held on September 22, 2022

## LIBRARIES (DR. MONICA BROOKS)

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

- In July, the Special Collections library faculty and staff hosted the Huntington Rotary Club for a unique luncheon and meeting opportunity to tour the collections and view several one-of-a-kind items housed in the University Archives, General Chuck Yeager Collection, and Rosanna Blake Library. Also this summer and into fall, they are collaborating with the Huntington Area Convention and Visitors Bureau to host the American Countess Riverboat visitors from all over the country for tours of the Morrow collections and resources.
- Prof. Gena Chattin, Research & ETD Librarian, and Dr. Kathy Murphy, Library Research Specialist, hosted the WV Library Association's Summer Refresher meeting in August dedicated to Open Educational Resources (OER) for statewide librarians on the South Charleston Campus. Prof. Chattin organized speakers for the event and conducted a workshop on Creating and Publishing OER. More than 40 academic, special, and public librarians attended in person and online.
- According to Drinko Library gate counts, the daily capacity of the building has already doubled compared to this time last year indicating that students have returned to campus in full force!
- Dr. Monica Brooks, Dean of University Libraries, is attending the Driving OER Sustainability for Student Success (DOERS3) Collaborative convening in Denver, Colorado in September on behalf of the WV Higher Education Policy Commission. Tying growth in the use of open textbooks and materials to student success is the next phase in this exciting state and campus-wide movement.

### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Dr. Kelli Johnson was appointed Associate Dean of Libraries in August to replace Prof. Jingping Zhang in this capacity for the university library system. She was named the 2022-2023 Sarah Denman Faces of Appalachia Fellow and is working with a community group to create a documentary on the Underground Railroad in the tri-state area. She recently published a review of the book, *Gone Home: Race and Roots through Appalachia*, by Karida L. Brown, for volume 16(1) of the *West Virginia History* journal.
- Prof. Larry Sheret, Scholarly Communications Librarian, contributed to *Female Friendship: Literary and Artistic Explorations*, an edited volume that includes chapters authored by Marshall Faculty colleagues, Drs. Ida Day and Victor

Fet. <https://www.marshall.edu/wamnewsletter/2022/09/faculty-achievement-dr-slav-gratchev-11/>

- Dr. Margaret Sullivan, Scholarly Communications Specialist, will guest edit a special issue of a new scholarly journal, *Critical Humanities* (MDS, MU pub). The forthcoming edition will be called "Portraits of Resilience: Queer Past, Presents, and Futures."
- Prof. Sarah Mollette, Online Learning Librarian, participated in a faculty panel entitled, *HyFlex FLC Presents: Best Practices in HyFlex Teaching & Learning* (Aug 16, 2022) for TRACE Tuesday, sponsored by Marshall University's Center for Teaching and Learning. Presenters also included Jill Underhill, Bill Gardner, Nancy Lankton, Sumeeta Patnaik, Boniface Noyongoyo, and Marty Laubach. In July, Prof. Mollette also completed a 3-week American Library Association course, entitled *Increasing Engagement Using Active Learning Techniques*. <https://acrl.ala.org/acrlinsider/increasing-engagement-using-active-learning-techniques-online-course/>

## UNIVERSITY COLLEGE (DIRECTOR: DR. SHERRI STEPP)

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### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- 1931 students (new freshmen and transfers) registered for New Student Orientation
- 1800 attended New Student Orientation
  - 80 did not enroll
- 131 students registered but did not attend.
  - 70 did not enroll
  - 61 enrolled

### FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

Dr. Sabrina Simpson, Director of New Student Orientation and Coordinator of Tutoring Services, has completed her certification as a National Tutoring Association Professional Tutor and Academic Coach Trainer.

### COLLABORATIONS & PARTNERSHIPS

These are current HERD Start Early Academy partnerships with our dual credit high schools for the Fall 2022 semester (some courses yet to be finalized).

- 12 counties (Cabell, Greenbrier, Harrison, Kanawha, Lincoln, Marshall, Mason, Putnam, Randolph, Wayne, Wood, and Wyoming).
- 23 schools including 5 private schools
- 40 teachers in the high schools
- 25 different course titles
- 70 total courses (Recent history: Spring 2021 = 62 courses, Fall 2021 = 47 courses, Spring 2022 = 49 courses)