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School of Liberal Arts Dean Candidates

A nationwide search has identified three truly outstanding finalists for the deanship of our School of Liberal Arts. The candidates will be visiting campus over the next few weeks, and we want you to have the opportunity to engage with them in open forums. We ask that you save these dates and times for the candidate forums, and we will provide more details including CVs for review before each candidate's visit:

- Tuesday, November 6, 3:00-4:00 PM, Meeting Room B, Arcidi Center
- Monday, November 12, 2:00-3:00 PM, Executive Room, Crowe Hall
- Monday, November 19, 2:00-3:00 PM, Executive Room, Crowe Hall

Public forums are a vital step in the dean selection process. We ask that you make every effort to attend these forums and take part in the public discussion that will inform this decision, which is so important to the college's future successes. You will be able to share your feedback and comments on the candidates. That information will be shared with the committee and the president as the process proceeds. CVs will be posted [here](#) the night prior to each candidate's visit.

November Festival of Remembrance and Gratitude

Please join us for all of the events of this month during which we remember those who have gone before us in life and death, those who have served us in military service, and give thanks for all that we enjoy and try to share it with others.

Where We Come From

November 1 - December 31

Reception: November 8

5:30 PM

Rogers Center for the Arts

Everyone will soon be invited to participate in creating an art exhibition to be displayed in the Thagaste Gallery of the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College unlike anything we've done before. "Where We Come From" draws off the longstanding tradition of honoring our ancestors and personal family histories through photography. We would like to creating a living history of our community. and everyone will have the chance to contribute photographs representing our families past, representing relationships from several generations past up to more recent and immediate relationships. You may submit as many as you'd like. All photographs will be handled with great care and respect. You will soon receive a message from Father Rick Piatt, O.S.A., director of the Rogers Center with instructions on how to participate.

MACK Gives Back

November 1-9

Remembering the roots of Merrimack College as an institution founded to serve the educational needs of military veterans of World War II, we honor those who served by serving others.

Honoring Our Veterans

Tuesday, November 6

10:00 - 11:00 AM

MPR, Sakowich Campus Center

All are invited to gather in the Multi-Purpose Room in Sakowich Campus Center for a ceremony honoring and thanking veterans for the sacrifices they have made in order to bring us safety and security.

Kristallnacht/Holocaust Remembrance

Thursday, November 8

7:00 - 8:00 PM

Temple Emmanuel in Andover

Bus transportation will be provided to bring any interested students, faculty, and staff to join with the congregation of Temple Emmanuel in Andover as they remember what we must never forget. Rena Finder ("Schindler's List" Holocaust survivor) will be the featured speaker.

In Vino Veritas, Unitas, Caritas: The Wines of Tuscany and the Augustinian Tradition

Tuesday, November 13

4:30 - 5:30 PM

Rogers Center for the Arts

Celebrate St. Augustine's birthday by joining sommelier Father Stephen Curry, O.S.A., assistant to the dean of the School of Education and Social Policy, for a guided wine tasting and explanation of the Augustinian values of truth, unity and love. Faculty, staff and invited guests only.

5 Minutes and A Mic

November 6th

4:00 PM

The Writers House

No notes, no slides, just Merrimack professors talking about the work they do and why they love it. Speakers will be **Father Stephen Curry, Dr. Emma Polyakov, Dr. Jessica Peacock, Dr. Christy Pottroff, & Dr. Andrew Tollison.**

Changes to Human Subjects Research/IRB Guidelines Revised Common Rule Takes Effect January 21, 2019

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and fifteen other Federal Departments and Agencies have issued the new Federal Policy for the Protection of Human Subjects, known as the Common Rule. Starting on January 21, 2019, the Merrimack College Institutional Review Board (IRB) will begin following the guidelines outlined in the revised Common Rule. For detailed information, [click here](#). All IRBs nationwide will be required to operate under the provisions of the revised Common Rule.

The implementation of the new Common Rule will require researchers to fill out a revised application form on Merrimack's Cayuse IRB online application system. All researchers will be required to fill out the new form for all applications submitted on or after January 21st 2019. To avoid having to redo an application in process, the IRB strongly recommends that all researchers wishing to submit under the existing provisions do so before **December 15, 2018**. This will allow the IRB to review all applications before the January 21 transition date.

All IRB proposals received on or after January 21 will have to follow the new application process. Details on the new application process and an outline of the changes in the Common Rule will be made available in early November 2018 on the Merrimack IRB Website.

It should also be noted that research studies already approved as exempt, expedited or full (convened IRB review) before January 21, 2019 will not be required to comply with the changes in the revised Common Rule. Such research may continue to completion or closure under the old rules. If you have any questions please contact the IRB at irb@merrimack.edu.

Tolle Lege Call for Submissions

McQuade Library recognizes the academic scholarship and creativity of the Merrimack College community by collecting published works by faculty, staff, students and alumni for the Tolle Lege Collection. Each winter, authors of books, journal articles and papers published during the previous year are honored with a reception. This years reception will be held at the Writers House on Thursday, **February 7, 2019** at 4:00 PM (snow date: Feb 14th at 4:00PM).

We at McQuade Library ask the Merrimack community to please submit copies and/or citations of any book(s), article(s) or papers that were published between **January 1, 2018** and **December 31, 2018**. Please submit all materials/citations by Wednesday, **December 12, 2018** to Frances Nilsson, nilssonf@merrimack.edu and/or to Michaela Keating, keatingm@merrimack.edu.

Book Orders are Due!

Spring 2019 semester textbook and/or e-reader orders are due by **November 20, 2018**. Please submit all orders into the faculty portal at facultyportal.com. This includes textbooks and e-pubs that have been previously used and orders for "no textbook required", as orders are not

automatically renewed. Please remember that first-year, sophomore, and junior-level students have mobile devices with affordances that support learning needs and preferences, cost, and Lifestyle.

Please feel free to contact the bookstore at X5431 or by email at merrimackbookstore@bbasolutions.com or the CETL if you have any questions.

New iOS 12 Features

iPad Gestures

Access Control Center, including AirPlay and AirDrop by swiping from the right top corner. You can access the Home screen by quickly swiping up from the bottom screen.

Other Events this Week

November 7th

Atrium Performance: The Crosson Sisters: Violin, Voice, and Harp

12:30 PM

Rogers Center for the Arts

These three talented young, conservatory trained musicians return by popular demand. Their spring concert wowed our audiences. Don't miss your chance to hear them!

November 8th

Open Office Hours with the Provost

8:30 - 10:00 AM

Provost's Suite, Austin Hall

The Provost will have open office hours for faculty to drop in every Thursday from 8:30 to 10:00 AM. Whether you have a specific topic or just want to say "hello," all faculty are welcome to visit.

November 8th

MINTS Presents: Behavior Management PD Workshop Series 2 of 4 - Culturally Relevant Behavior Strategies

4:30 - 6:30 PM

Crowe Hall 126

The Merrimack Institute for New Teacher Support is hosting a Behavior Management professional development workshop series for students and K-12 teachers; this is the second in the 2018-2019 series and will focus on culturally relevant behavior strategies in and out of the classroom. This series of workshops is facilitated by Executive Director of APEX Behavioral Consulting LLC, Leslie Deutchman. Food and refreshments will be served, and certificates of participation will be awarded for the event.

November 9th

Last day to withdraw with a "W", convert to pass/fail Fall Session 2 graduate online courses

November 11th

Academic Preview Day

9:00 AM - 1:00PM

This Fall Admission is holding three Academic Preview days. This event centers solely around academic exploration and plays a huge emphasis around faculty. This program offers two blocks of mock classes from each of the five schools. Students have the option to attend two in the field of their choice, or to explore something else they are interested in. Students also take a academic specific tour, and then have mix and mingle lunch that includes several faculty, deans and admission staff. We receive great feedback from these programs which is entirely centered around the help of the faculty. Showing our prospective students and parents first hand what an actual course with a faculty member is like, truly portrays what it is like to be a student at Merrimack.

Future Events

Building Community, Reaching for Justice Fall 2018 Speaker Series: Michelle Muffett-Lipinski

Monday, November 12

5:00 - 6:30 PM

Crowe Hall, room 210

Michelle Muffett-Lipinski is the founding principal Northshore Recovery High School and founder of [icanhelp](#). icanhelp(SM) is a program for early engagement by establishing "safe" places for at-risk adolescents to develop a trusting rapport with adults in the community.

TIAA Enhancement Meetings

Wednesday, November 14, 9:30-10:30, 11:00-12:00 or 3:30-4:30

Thursday, November 15, 9:00-10:00, 2:00-3:00 or 4:00-5:00

Bouchard Center, Crowe Hall

Exciting enhancements are coming to the Merrimack College 403(b) Retirement Plan with TIAA in January 2019. These enhancements will be focused on improving the participant experience by:

- Streamlining the overall retirement plan design
- Simplifying how you can manage your retirement account

Join us for a discussion about the enhancements to your retirement plan. No RSVP required.

Last Lecture: Dr. Alicia Malone

Tuesday, November 13

7:00 PM

Cascia Hall

Please join us on Tuesday, November 13th as Dr. Alicia Malone, associate professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice, gives the annual "Last Lecture." The Last Lecture has become a staple event on the Merrimack campus and provides a beloved faculty member with the opportunity to speak to our community as if this were their final chance to do so.

Sponsored by the Honors Program in collaboration with the Merrimack Chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa.

Author Readings

Wednesday, November 14

12:00 PM

McQuade Library, Room 103

Come celebrate Merrimack Faculty Members/Authors, Joseph T. Kelley, F. Dorie Mansen, Emma O'Donnell Polyakov, and Autumn Alcott Ridenour from the Religious & Theological Studies Department. They will read excerpts from their newly published books.

Feel free to bring your lunch!

MINTS Presents: Storytelling PD Workshop

Wednesday, November 14

3:00 - 5:00 PM

Cascia Hall

The Merrimack Institute for New Teacher Support, along with the Kappa Delta Pi Education Honor Society, is hosting this exciting professional development workshop for students and K-12 teachers on incorporating storytelling into the classroom as a practice to increase student retention! This workshop will be facilitated by Professional Storyteller and Enrichment Teacher, Nicolette Nordin Heavey. Food and refreshments will be served, and certificates of participation will be awarded for the event.

Environmental Film Series: Journey of the Universe

Wednesday, November 14th

7:00 PM

Stevens Auditorium

This 2011 documentary explores the birth of the universe, evolution, and the impact we, as humans, have on the planet.

This event is co-sponsored by the McQuade Library, the Green Team and the McLaughlin Martin Family Environmental Innovation Fund.

All in the Timing: by David Ives

Thursday, November 15 - Sunday November 17

7:30 PM daily with 2:00 PM matinees on Saturday and Sunday

Rogers Center for the Arts

Absurdly funny, this series of short comedies explores the funnier and weirder sides of life. From comic con men to monkeys named Kafka, Milton, and Swift to really bad dates to "opposite days," you'll enjoy a performance of short plays that are long on laughs! Directed by Brianne Beatrice.

Climate Cafe

Friday, November 16th

11AM to Noon

2nd floor McQuade

Engage in discussion about arising climate issues with the women in STEM FYE class. All are invited!

MINTS Presents: Teaching the Holocaust: Empowering Students

Thursday, December 6

4:30 - 7:30 PM

Location TBD

The Merrimack Institute for New Teacher Support is hosting a professional development workshop for students and K-12 teachers on resources for teaching the Holocaust across a variety of classroom disciplines. The workshop will be facilitated by Echoes & Reflections, a professional development organization specializing in increasing competency and capacity around teaching the Holocaust. Food and refreshments will be served, and certificates of participation will be awarded for the event.

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