



## PROVOST BRIEFING

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**Here are some of this week's top stories *and a look ahead.***

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## **Forging Your Feminist Future: Merging Jobs and Passions, A Conversation with Carmen Rios, Digital Editor, Ms. Magazine**

**Monday, January 28**

**3:30 PM**

**Cascia Hall**

Ms. Magazine Digital Editor Carmen Rios will share her path from Women's and Gender Studies major to digital editor of this national, feminist magazine. She'll share advice on putting a liberal arts degree to work, as well as background on Ms. and tips for writing for the magazine's blog.

Sponsored by Women's and Gender Studies.

Refreshments will be served.

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## **CETL News & Workshops**

### **CETL Open House**

**Wednesday, January 30**

**11:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

**Sullivan Hall, Office Suite B-2**

Visit the new CETL space complete with dedicated classroom designed for professional development! Learn about programming offered and chat with faculty fellows and colleagues about your teaching and learning interests, passions, and needs. Please feel free to stop by anytime, as your schedule permits, and/or join us for lunch at noon. RSVP kindly requested:

[\*\*CETL Open House\*\*](#)

## **Lunch and Winter Book Discussion: *iGen* by Dr. Jean M. Twenge**

Wednesday, February 20

12:00 - 1:00 PM

Sullivan Hall, Office Suite B-2

Come discuss the pedagogical impact of teaching "a new generation growing up more slowly and more anxious - but also more socially tolerant and safe - than any generation in history."

RSVP kindly requested: [iGen Book Discussion and Lunch](#)

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## **Spring Global Education Fair**

Wednesday, January 30

4:00 - 6:00 PM

1st floor Lounge, Sakowich Center

Alumni/ae of GEO programs--from Copenhagen, Denmark to Iringa, Tanzania, from Monteverde, Costa Rica to Sydney, Australia--will be representing the various opportunities that enable Merrimack students to take their disciplines abroad, do internships, and to learn more about meaningfully engaging our common world. Please come to talk to these students and encourage your classes to come.

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## **Faculty Development Grants: Call for Proposals**

The Faculty Development Committee would like to announce that applications are now being accepted for 2019-20 Faculty Development Grants. This includes both academic year grants, which cover specific expenses related to a planned project, and summer 2019 grants, which can cover specific expenses or offer salary support for work undertaken during the summer.

The deadline for applications is **February 1, 2019**.

### **Electronic Submission NEW THIS YEAR:**

Electronic Submissions are optional, but encouraged. If you choose the electronic submission option, email one PDF file attachment of all completed and signed application forms and supporting information to: [fdg@merrimack.edu](mailto:fdg@merrimack.edu)

For more information [click here](#) or refer to the Faculty Handbook, Section 5.9.

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## **Faculty Funding Opportunities for AY 2019-2020**

The Office of the Provost offers a wide range of development and scholarship funding for faculty. This can be attributed to sustained internal funding (e.g. Faculty Development Grants, Provost Innovation Fund, Murray Fellowship and CETL Fellowships), as well as new endowed funding streams (e.g., Sakowich Foundation, McLaughlin-Martin Environmental Innovation Fund, Margaret "Fiz" Lake '62 and Orley "Leon" Lake, Ph.D. Fund, and the Zampell Family Faculty Fellowship Program) that were successfully secured during the College's capital campaign, Together for Good.

To better align the opportunities and recalibrate the timing of calls for proposals and funding timeframes to better match the cadence and cycle of faculty work, we are pleased to present the following funding options and corresponding application dates. Click on the links for more comprehensive information including details on the purpose, funding focus, level of support and other information.

- Combined [Sakowich Center for Undergraduate Research](#) and [Provost Innovation Fund](#) - February 15, 2019
  - [CETL Faculty Fellowship](#) - February 15, 2019
  - [Davis Education Foundation Grant](#) - February 15, 2019
  - [Zampell Family Faculty Fellowship](#) - February 15, 2019
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## **From Wall Street to Rwanda to the Vatican: A Personal Journey Linking Investment to Development**

**Tuesday, February 5**

**5:00 pm**

**Cascia Hall**

Beth Collins, Director of Impact Investing, Catholic Relief Services, has a 30-year executive leadership career with global experience spanning corporate and NGO sectors throughout Africa, the Middle East, Southeast Asia, and other emerging market regions. Beth will provide an overview of her career path from Wall Street to the Vatican while providing a closer look at impact investing, corporate responsibility, and the work of Catholic Relief Services.

To register for the event, click [here](#). For questions, please contact Ryan Irwin in the Office of Development & Alumni Relations at [IrwinR@merrimack.edu](mailto:IrwinR@merrimack.edu)

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## **16th Annual Tolle Lege Reception**

**Thursday, February 7**

**4:00 PM**

**The Writers House**

Please join us for this year's celebration of Merrimack scholarship and creativity. Speakers include **Thomas Anderson, Rodrigo Bandeira de Mello, Lyena Chavez, Juliana Cohen, Christopher Duston, Karen Hayden, Daniel Herda, and Allan Weatherwax**. Refreshments will be served.

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## **Interdisciplinary Institute Faculty Research Forums:**

**The Post Office, the Information Economy, and the U.S. 19th Century**

**with Zoe Sherman & Christy Pottroff**

**Monday, February 11**

**12:30 - 2:00 PM**

**Sullivan Hall, CETL conference Room (B-2)**

## **Brave New Biology: Ethics in Genetic Research**

**with Lisa Fuller, Autumn Ridenour, and Janine LeBlanc**

**Thursday February 28**

**4:00 - 5:00 PM**

**Cascia Hall**

For more information contact: [director.institute@merrimack.edu](mailto:director.institute@merrimack.edu)

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## **Merrimack Faculty-Led Global Education Course: Call for Proposals**

The Office of Global Education invites proposals for 2019-2020 Faculty-Led courses. Deadline for proposals for Spring 2020 Semester or Summer Intensive Courses: Monday, **March 18, 2019**.

If you've got an idea for a course or just want to find out more, join the GEO Staff for lunch at the Mack Club (we're all going dutch on this one). On Tuesday, **January 29**, the GEO staff will be there to have conversations with interested faculty.

Questions: email Liesl Smith, Director of Global Education, [smithlr@merrimack.edu](mailto:smithlr@merrimack.edu).

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## **Save the Date - 2019 Research and Creative Achievement Conference**

**Thursday, May 2**

The Office of the Provost and The Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning are excited to announce that the 2019 Research and Creative Achievement Conference will take place May 2 for graduate and undergraduate students. More details to follow.

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## **Through Knowledge to Wisdom Faculty Retreat**

**May 14 - 16**

**Wylie Inn and Conference Center at Endicott College**

Our second Through Knowledge to Wisdom Faculty Retreat at the end of the semester has been scheduled from the evening of Tuesday, May 14 through lunch on Thursday, May 16 at the Wylie Inn and Conference Center at Endicott College in Beverly, MA. As was the case last year, all faculty who participate will receive a stipend of \$500.00 for your time as well as accommodations and meals at the Wylie Inn for the course of the retreat. You may opt to stay at the Wylie Inn or commute to the retreat from your home depending on your needs and preferences.

Rory Tannebaum and Stephanie Garrone-Shufran of the School of Education and Social Policy have agreed to work with me to develop structures and content to facilitate deep and meaningful conversations among us. As we have more specific plans about that, we will let you know. In the meantime, if you have any suggestions for questions we might want to explore together or input we might want to experience in the form of guest speakers, readings, or other media, please let me, Rory, or Stephanie know about it.

Below is a Registration/Reservation link that you may use to secure a place on the retreat. In the event that we might need to limit the number of participants, we will do so on a first come, first served basis. Please complete your registration as soon as you can. Periodic reminders about this will be sent out during the course of the semester.

[Registration Link](#)

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## **Baby Shower Drive**

**January 29-31**

**11:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

**MainStreet in Sakowich Campus Center**

The Austin Scholars will be collecting items for **Pregnancy Help** in Haverhill. Please see the [list of items](#) needed.

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## Other Events this Week

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### January 31th

**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.

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### February 1st

**Connecting with CoworkHERS**

**Merrimack College vs. Providence**

**3:30 - 4:15 PM Chalk Talk**

**5:00 - 7:00 PM Women's Hockey Game**

**Merrimack College Athletics Complex, 2nd Floor, Suites 3 & 4**

Let's kick off 2019 with the first CYI event of the year! Join your coworkHERS for an evening of socializing, networking and a chance to meet new colleagues at the women's ice hockey game. Head Coach of Women's Ice Hockey, Erin Hamlen, will provide a scouting session on what to look for on the ice. We look forward to cheering on our lady Warriors with you!

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### February 2nd

**Admitted Students Day**

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## Future Events

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### 5th Annual Feed Your Neighbor

**Interfaith day of service to benefit the Merrimack Valley Food Bank**

**Wednesday, February 6, 2019**

**10:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

**Multi Purpose Room, Sakowich Center**

Last year we packed 15,000 meals for the Merrimack Valley Food Bank in the middle of a snowstorm! Join us this year to pack meals for our food insecure neighbors at a time of year when supplies tend to run low. This event is open to any individual, club, congregation, or community - religious or nonreligious - interested in participating.

Sign up for a [one-hour shift here](#). Print a [flyer](#) for your house of worship, place of work, or favorite local hangout. Get updates and share on social media: [Facebook event page](#)

[Donations](#) toward the meal-packing supplies are also welcomed! Visit our [website](#) for more information and complete instructions. We are grateful to Outreach, Inc. for this collaboration.

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## Professional Development Retreat: Juniors - Applications are



## Live!

At this two-day conference students will learn "soft skills" such as problem-solving, conflict resolution, critical observation and adaptability. Through an application and selection process, sixty juniors will be selected for the retreat. Our goal is to have all academic disciplines represented.

If you know a junior student who would benefit from this event please encourage them to apply at [bit.ly/juniorspdr19](http://bit.ly/juniorspdr19). All applications are due by **February 17, 2019**

Sponsored by the O'Brien Center for Career Development

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## Interdisciplinary Institute Featured Public Event

**Tuesday, February 26**

**3:30 - 5:00 PM**

**Blue Line Club**

Please join us for the National Interdisciplinary Honors Society Induction Ceremony

For more information contact: [director.institute@merrimack.edu](mailto:director.institute@merrimack.edu)

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## “Where We Dwell Together” 16th Annual Interfaith Prayer

**Tuesday, February 26**

**7:00 - 8:00 PM**

**Cascia Hall**

Join us in Shalom, Peace, Salaam, Shanti!

Guest sermon by Cantor Vera Broekhuysen, spiritual leader of Temple Emanu-El of Haverhill, with Rev. Ray Dlugos, OSA, presiding.

For more information: [web event](#) and [Facebook event](#)

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