

2018-2019 Media Resource Guide

Dr. Paul Ache

Department Chair, Mathematics

- Technology in the classroom
- Mathematics curriculum reform
- Graphing Calculator
- Developmental mathematics
- Mathematics for elementary schools
- Common core Mathematics Assessment
- Standardized testing

Dr. Hank Alviani

Associate Professor, Music; Director of Chamber Singers

- Choral Music
- Voice
- Former member of the Pittsburgh Opera Chorus
- Guest conductor for County, District, & Region Honor Choruses

Dr. Angelika Marie Antoni

Associate Professor, Biology

- Articulation agreements
- Biology
- Auto immune
- Cancer
- Biomedical research

Dr. Marilyn Baguinon

Associate Professor, Biology

- Molecular biology
- Biotechnology
- Biochemistry
- Microbiology

Dr. Greg Bamberger

Director, Intercollegiate Athletics

- Athletes
- Sports
- Leadership
- Sports management

Dr. William Bender

Instructor, Social Work

- Reading, Pa
- Poverty
- Act 47

Dr. Anthony Charles Bleach

Assistant Department Chair, English

- Film Studies
- Media Studies

Dr. Christopher Bloh

Associate Professor, Special Education

- Applied behavior analysis
- Autism
- Current behavior analyst & consultant

Dr. Denise Bosler

Department Chair, Communication Design

- Typography
- Design
- Illustration

Dr. Ryan Bowers, LPC, NCC, CAADC

Assistant Professor, Counselor Education

- Clinical mental health counseling
- Substance abuse counseling
- Mentorship

Dr. Martin Brill

Business Consultant, Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

- International business and trade issues; unfair trade practices
- Risk mitigating and cross border risks
- Effects of trade (on PA); trade finance
- Agriculture exports
- Cross border trade negotiations; effective trade show techniques
- Overseas marketing
- Business & marketing plans; business continuity planning

Mr. Mark Buckwalter

Instructor, Criminal Justice

- Courts
- Corrections
- Law enforcement
- Former federal agent with U.S. probation

- 27 yrs. Law enforcement experience

Dr. Mario L. Cardozo

Assistant Professor, Geography

- GIS
- Remote Sensing
- Conservation
- Land use
- Latin American Geography
- Bio Geography

Ms. Leah Cassellia

Director, Student Involvement Academic & Student Affairs

- Student life programming
- Working with college students
- Student involvement
- Student Engagement

Dr. Angela M. Cirrucci

Assistant Professor, Communication Studies

- Social media: Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter
- Digital privacy and anonymity
- Internet culture; digital code; philosophy of programming
- Editor of book on Black Mirror and Critical Media Theory

Ms. Kate Clair

Professor, Communication Design

- Graphic Design

- Typography

Dr. Colleen Clemens

Associate Professor, English

- English
- Women's Studies
- Gender Studies
- Non-western literatures

Dr. Brad J. Congelio

Assistant Professor, Sport Management

- Modern Olympic Games & history of the Olympics
- Issues hosting the Olympics
- Politics, marketing, and sponsorship (Olympics)

Ms. Frances C. Cortez-Funk

Director of Health Promotion and Alcohol & Other Drug Services

- Wellness programs & events on campus
- Alcohol & other drug prevention programs and campaigns
- Community networking
- Health & wellness speakers on campus
- Tobacco-free initiatives

Dr. Richard S. Courtney

Department Chair, Geography

- Demographic maps
- Cartography in the GIS environment

Dr. Emily Cripe

Assistant Professor, Communication Studies

- Breastfeeding
- Health communication
- Social support

Dr. Jason Crockett

Associate Professor, Anthropology/Sociology

- Sexuality and GLBTQ issues
- Social movements
- Co-housing and intentional communities

Dr. Kunal Das

Professor, Physical Science

- Nanotechnology
- Physics
- Cold atoms
- Technological Issues

Dr. Patricia Derr

Associate Professor, History

- American colonial history
- American religious history
- African-American history
- American pop culture

Mr. Patrick Donmoyer

Director, Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center

- Cultural landscape and architecture of Pennsylvania
- Culture and language of the Pennsylvania Dutch
- Folklore, customs and folk medicine
- Hex signs and barn stars
- Translation of German language documents, inscriptions and gravestones; building & site conservator

Dr. Michael Downing

Professor, English

- English
- Journalism
- August Wilson
- Media trends
- Technology trends in contemporary media
- Internet trends
- Communication issues

Dr. Mary Eicholtz

Assistant Professor, Communication Studies

- Communication in the workplace
- Leadership
- Organizational culture and climate
- Women in the workplace
- Employee training and development

Ms. Shelly Faust-Jones

Instructor, Special Education

- Visual impairment

Dr. Jennifer Forsyth

Professor, English

- English
- Shakespeare
- Renaissance literature
- Literature – renaissance
- Literature – Shakespeare

Dr. Kurt Frieauf

Professor, Geology (Physical Sciences)

- Mineral resource geology (metals, chemicals, oil, natural gas, coal); mining geology
- Mineral exploration (geology related to discovery of new mineral resources),
- Geochemistry (chemistry of reactions between water and rock); mineralogy/petrology
- Licensed professional geologist; worked projects in Namibia, Indonesia, China, Mexico

Dr. Michael R. Gabriel

Professor, History

- American military history to 1865
- Colonial America
- Revolutionary America/Revolutionary War
- U.S. Civil War
- U.S. history to 1865

Dr. Ashwini Gangadharan

Associate Professor, Business Administration

- Management
- Organizational
- Behavior

Ms. Kerri Gardi

Director, Career Development Center

- Careers & career development
- Job market & job search
- Etiquette – dining & in the workplace
- Internships
- Interviewing Strategies

Dr. Janice Gasker

Professor, Social Work

- Social work education
- Economic justice in social work education

Dr. Russell Gross

Professor, Counseling & Psychological Services

- Anxiety-managing
- Reversing heart disease
- Parenting and teenagers
- Learning disabilities
- Career counseling
- Depression-conquering the disease
- Attention deficit/ hyperactivity disorder
- Stress management-mindfulness-based
- Meditation

Dr. Keshav Gupta

Professor, Business Administration

- Investments
- Financial management
- Portfolio management

James Gutierrez (1-year Appointment)

Frederick Douglass Teaching Scholars Fellow, Music

- Music psychology and cognition
- Music theory and history; music education
- World music; refugee issues
- Composer/Arranger/Keyboardist in Southern California
- Program Director – Center for World Music

Dr. George Hale

Associate Professor, Political Science & Public Administration

- State and local government
- Pennsylvania government
- Government budgets and finance
- Public administration
- Public policy

Dr. Muhammed Halim-Dalgin

Associate Professor, Business Administration

- Economics
- Macroeconomics
- Commodity of prices and agricultural economics

Dr. Edward Hanna

Assistant Professor, Social Work

- Social Work
- Internet dangers
- Customer satisfaction
- Six conversations to have with your child
- Dispute Resolution & Mediation
- Divorce & Custody

Dr. Joseph Harasta

Associate Professor, Communication Studies

- Branding
- Community, government, & corporate relations
- Crisis response
- Education policy
- Marketing & public affairs/relations
- Reputation management

Dr. Andrea Harmer

Department Chair, Library and Learning Technology

- New media & digital literacy
- Nanotechnology education
- STEM education

Dr. Daniel Haxall

Department Chair, Art and Art History

- Art-modern and contemporary
- African-American art and diaspora
- Collage-history
- Art theory and criticism

- Museum studies
- Sports culture

Mr. Richard Heineman

Assistant Professor, Biology

- Evolution
- Viruses; epidemiology
- Science songs for education (writes and sings parody science songs for students)

Dr. Alexander D. Hernandez

Assistant Professor, Biology

- Wildlife diseases
- Parasitology (especially worms)
- Aquatic ecology

Ms. Dolores Hess

Director, Health & Wellness Services

- Student healthcare for acute illness or injuries
- Campus health surveillance

Dr. Alisa Hobbs

Director, Clinical Experiences & Partnerships

- Education policy
- PA State Education Policy
- High stakes standardized testing policy/practices
- Policy maker-educator relationship building

Dr. Paula Holoviak

Professor, Political Science & Public Administration

- Local economic development
- State and local government (especially regarding Pennsylvania issues and Rural Pennsylvania)
- Rural Economic development
- Community development
- Pennsylvania-heritage - Should read Pennsylvania Heritage Tourism
- Pennsylvania-eco-tourism
- Local government mandates

Mr. Saehwa Hong

Associate Professor, Business Administration

- International Business (Asia)
- Strategic Management
- Innovation

Mr. Cory Hutcheson

Assistant Professor, English

- Folklore/mythology
- American studies & African American literature
- Business & Occupational Culture
- Former podcaster (8 yrs.); multiple publications

Dr. James Jackson

Associate Professor, Psychology

- Positive aspects of being a black father
- Psychology

Dr. Deryl Johnson

Professor, Communication Studies

- GLBTQ Issues; drag/performance art; sexuality/gender
- Centralia; coal
- Campus climate
- Public Speaking
- Storytelling
- Student retention/completion; enrollment
- University Governance

Dr. Eric Johnson

Associate Professor, History

- Medieval Europe and early modern Europe
- Renaissance, Reformation Europe
- Western Christianity
- French
- French Revolution

Dr. Matthew Junker

Associate Professor, Physical Sciences

- Apoptosis: programmed cell death
- Biochemistry
- DNA computing
- Gene expression
- Molecular biology

Ms. Leigh Kane

Associate Professor, Art & Art History

- 20th century contemporary art

- Gelatin silver/film and chemical photography
- Dye coupler color photography
- Documentary strategies in film, video and photography
- Gender and Identity in the Modern and Contemporary Art
- Experimental and Avant-garde film and video
- History of photograph
- Image and text in contemporary art
- Landscape vs. Land use in Fine Art photography
- Queer pictures: radical visual strategies by GLBTQ and Allies
- Feminist Film and Video—feminist theory and productions

Dr. Greg Kaufinger

Professor, Accounting

- Managerial Accounting
- Accounting Systems
- 25 yrs. of experience in both pharmaceutical & higher education industries

Dr. Amy Lynn Kennedy

Assistant Professor, Elementary Education

- Education issues
- Early childhood education
- Early literacy and development
- Movement to opt-out from standardized tests
- Education reform
- Reading habits and attitudes of teachers and pre-service teachers
- Computer-based Essay Scoring

Dr. Mahfuzul Khondaker

Professor, Criminal Justice

- Rape victims
- Bangladesh
- Criminal justice
- Gangs

Dr. Erin Kraal

Associate Professor, Physical Sciences

- Comets, planets (esp. Mars)
- Erosion, glaciers, floods, watersheds, surface processes
- NASA, rocket launches, space missions
- Science and art integration
- Solar system science

Dr. Jonathan Kremser

Department Chair, Criminal Justice

- Criminal justice
- Gang violence
- School-related offences and victimization

Dr. Brian Kronenthal

Associate Professor, Mathematics

- Algebra
- Combinatorics

Dr. Lynn Kutch

Professor, Modern Languages

- Modern languages

- German

Ms. Yishen Lai

Instructor, Modern Languages

- Mandarin Chinese

Dr. Eric Landquist

Associate Professor, Mathematics

- Cryptography (Bitcoin, Cryptocurrency, Altcoins, and Blockchain)
- Mathematical Modeling
- Mathematics in Sports, Games, & Lottery (e.g. NCAA tournament probabilities)
- Open Educational Resources (OER) & Inquiry-Based Learning
- Number Theory; Discrete Optimization (e.g, the Traveling Salesman Problem)

Dr. Jason Lanter

Professor, Psychology

- Attitudes and behaviors of sport fans
- Gender and social roles for men and women
- Issues in intercollegiate athletics

Ms. Sandra Leonard

Assistant Professor, English

- Library plagiarism
- Student blogs

Dr. Keith Logan

Professor, Criminal Justice

- Law enforcement - former DEA agent & federal prosecutor

- Whistleblower retaliation
- Homeland security
- Nuclear industry-federal agent
- Criminal procedures/law

Dr. Debra Lynch

Department Chair, Special Education

- Inclusion of special needs students
- Intellectual disabilities
- Physical disabilities
- Methodology for special education
- Autism/Asperger syndrome

Dr. Sharon Lyter

Professor, Social Work

- Wounded healers
- Troubled students choosing helping professions
- Social worker safety and risk management

Ms. Dannel Macilwraith

Assistant Professor, Communication Design

- Graphic design
- Web design

Dr. Kevin Mahoney

Professor, English

- Academic Labor Issues
- Social Media

- Online Advocacy/Activism
- Citizen Media
- Globalization and Global Justice Movements
- Rhetoric and Democracy
- Activist Rhetoric

Ms. Susan L. Mangold

Student Assistance Coordinator, Assistant Vice President & Dean of Students

- Office of the Dean of Students
- Academic & Student Affairs

Dr. Victor Massad

Associate Professor, Business Administration

- E-tailing/e-commerce
- Consumerism
- Retailing
- Marketing management
- Business ethics E-business

Dr. Keith Massie

Assistant Professor, Communication Studies

- Cultural studies
- Cyberspace phenomenon
- Facebook and social media
- Leadership technology studies
- Media ecology & history; media theories
- Race and sex depictions on television and on the web
- Research methodologies

- Rhetoric and philosophy
- Videogame representations in the media

Mr. Kevin McCloskey

Professor, Communication Design

- Children's books
- Illustration
- Visual thinking
- Comic Books and graphic novels
- Mexican Art

Dr. Nicole R. McClure

Assistant Professor, English

- Film studies
- Irish cinema, literature, and culture
- Documentaries; film adaptation
- Human rights cinema; film activism

Dr. Pdraig McLoughlin

Associate Professor, Mathematics

- Edometrics
- Logic: classical, fuzzy, etc.
- Measure theory
- Point-set topology
- Probability theory
- Psychometrics
- Real analysis
- Set theory

- Statistics

Mr. Will Meeker

Director of Campus Services

- Arboretum
- Landscaping
- Trees
- Arborist-Board Certified Master

Mr. Josh Miller

Associate Professor, Communication Design

- Interactive design & installations
- Web design; new media; animation
- Creative coding; projection mapping; font-end web development

Mr. Andrew Miness

Assistant Professor, Secondary Education

- Social studies education
- Democratic & citizenship education
- Teacher preparation
- Impact of media on teaching and learning
- High school social studies teacher (6 yrs.)

Dr. Lauren Moss

Assistant Professor, Counselor Education

- School counseling
- Social justice
- Student affairs

Dr. Lisa Norris

Associate Professor, Art and Art History

- Museums

Dr. Adrienne Oakley

Associate Professor, Physical Sciences

- Subduction zone events
- Sea-level rise, shoreline erosion
- Earthquakes
- Tsunamis

Dr. Amy O'Brien

Associate Professor, English

- Adobe InDesign
- Community-based learning
- Desktop publishing/document design
- Internships
- Professional writing
- Writing for public relations
- Service learning

Dr. Amber Jean-Marie Pabon

Assistant Professor, Secondary Education

- Urban education
- English teacher prep

- Black education
- Teacher retention & recruitment (POC)

Dr. Sylvie Pascale-Dewey

Professor, Modern Languages

- Spanish, Hispanic languages and cultures
- Intercultural communication
- Canadian studies (Quebec)
- Methods of foreign language teaching
- French language and culture
- USA vs. Mexico

Dr. Robert A. Portada III

Associate Professor, Political Science & Public Administration

- Latin American politics
- Caribbean politics
- South Sudan politics

Mrs. Wendy Pursell

Director of Student Accounts, Student Accounts

- Bursar

Dr. G. Dennis Rains

Professor, Psychology

- Clinical psychology
- Neuropsychology (brain and behavior)
- Social psychology

Mr. Michael Regensburger

Campus Radio Manager, Marketing and Communications

- Amateur weather spotter
- Audio electronics
- Broadcast television
- Contemporary Jazz
- Holistic medicine
- Journalism
- Radio station management

Dr. Robert Reynolds

Associate Professor, History

- Historic Preservation
- Pennsylvania Dutch Culture
- House Restoration
- Local History

Dr. Christine (CJ) Rhoads

Professor, Business Administration

- Business strategy
- Health
- Health finance topics
- Information technology
- Integrative health practices
- Leadership

Dr. Thomas Robinson III

Assistant Professor, Psychology

- Black racial identity
- Child and adolescent development
- Cultural diversity in the classroom
- Cultural diversity training
- Ethnic identity development
- Minority student academic achievement
- Psychology of race and racism
- Psychology of the black experience
- Undergraduate student retention
- Origins of sexual orientation

Dr. Cristen Rosch

Associate Professor, Biology

- Cell biology
- Developmental biology: embryology
- Molecular biology: DNA and cloning
- Cloning

Dr. Robert Ryan

Associate Professor, Psychology

- Applications of cognitive principles to classroom practice
- Analogical reasoning
- Cognitive process in problem solving
- Eyewitness identification
- Face recognition
- Learning algebra
- Neural networks

Dr. Christopher Sacchi

Department Chair, Biology

- Plant & general ecology
- Plant-animal interactions
- Horticulture
- Native plants in horticulture and landscapes
- Environmental issues and environmental biology
- Youth conservation education

Mr. Renard Sacco

Department Chair, Sports Medicine

- Athletics
- Sports Medicine
- Athletic Trainer
- Healthcare – athletics

Dr. Christine Saidi

Professor, History

- Gender in Africa and in Islamic world
- African Islam
- American Islam

Mr. Jerry Schearer

Associate Dean for Inclusion and Outreach

- New student transition
- Freshman transition
- Community service

- Service-learning
- GLBTQ issues

Dr. Jennifer Schlegel

Associate Professor, Anthropology/Sociology

- Hate activity
- Pennsylvania German studies
- Language and culture

Ms. Elizabeth Schneider

Assistant Professor, Art & Art History (Applied Digital Program)

- 2-D & 3-D animation
- Digital art & video game art
- VR/AR
- Interactive media

Dr. Jim Schnell

Assistant Professor, Communication Studies

- U.S.-China relations (28 trips to China)
- U.S. intelligence system
- Cross-cultural communication
- Colonel, U.S. Air Force; over 35 yrs. In U.S. intelligence system
- 14 yrs. As Attaché to U.S. Embassy in Beijing, China

Dr. Steven Schnell

Professor, Geography

- Local food
- Cultural geography

- Globalization

Dr. Gregory Setliff

Associate Professor, Biology

- Insect
- Biology
- Entomology

Dr. Laura Sherrod

Professor, Physical Sciences

- Geophysics
- Hydrology
- Groundwater resources and pollution
- Acid mine drainage
- Ground Penetrating Radar
- Magnetometry
- Geoarcheology
- Bagpipes

Dr. Kim Shively

Professor, Anthropology/Sociology

- Middle East
- Islam Religion
- Egypt
- Muslim
- Turkey
- Israeli-Palestinian

Dr. Edward Simpson

Department Chair, Physical Sciences

- Geology
- Sedimentation
- Pre-Cambrian geology (history of early earth)
- Paleontology
- Dinosaurs
- Jurassic

Dr. Georgeos Sirrakos

Department Chair, Secondary Education

- Cross-national studies
- Learning environment surveys
- Mixed methods
- Reality pedagogy
- Science education
- Scientific inquiry
- Urban education

Dr. Dawn Slack

Associate Professor, Modern Languages

- Latin American literature and culture
- Learning Spanish
- Spanish

Dr. Daniel Spiegel

Professor, Computer Science & Information Technology

- Client-server design

- Evolutionary techniques
- Integration of technology in the classroom
- Web-based software design
- User experience

Ms. Karen Stanford

Director, The Marlin & Regina Miller Gallery & Community Outreach

- Art Gallery events
- Miller gallery
- Exhibitions

Mr. Stephen W. Stoeffler

Assistant Professor, Social Work

- Poverty

Dr. Cynthia Stunkard

Assistant Professor, Special Education

- Cooperative/teaching
- Special education
- Foster care
- Professional development schools
- IEP development

Ms. Jennifer Suwak

Assistant Professor, Cinema Television & Media Production

- Narrative & experimental film.
- Stop motion animation
- Specialization in Documentary/Film History/Local film (Lehigh Valley, Berks, NJ)

- International films and film installations (including sculpture)

Dr. Teresa (Terre) Sychterz

Professor, Elementary Education

- Children's literature
- Student teaching/ teaching

Mr. Dan R Talley

Professor, Art and Art History

- Contemporary Art; Visual Arts
- Professional ethics in the arts
- Art and controversy
- Co-Founding editor of art papers & an art magazine

Mr. Steven Tranotti

Instructor, Computer Science & Information Technology

- Application programming
- Operation systems

Dr. Raymond Tumbleson

Associate Professor, English

- 17th- and 18th-century English literature
- Historicisms old, new, and newer

Dr. Todd J. Underwood

Professor, Biology

- Biology
- Birds

- Eggs

Dr. Krista Varano

Assistant Professor, Elementary Education

- Elementary education
- Middle school education
- Child development
- Children

Dr. Tracy L Vargas

Instructor, Anthropology and Sociology

- Work & labor
- Social class, inequality, unions & organizations
- Low-wage work (especially retail, specifically Dollar Store chain)
- Social change & political movements

Dr. Francis Vasko

Professor, Mathematics

- Theoretical mathematics
- Math-industrial
- Discrete math
- Little league baseball

Dr. Andrew Vogel

Department Chair, English

- English
- Modern American literature
- American literature

- Modern poetry

Dr. John Walker

Professor, Business Administration

- Investments
- Stock market
- Banking
- Portfolio management
- Privatization

Dr. David Webb

Professor, Anthropology/Sociology

- Forensic anthropology
- Human evolution
- Human footprints
- Human walking

Dr. Lisa Weckerle

Associate Professor, Communication Studies

- Communication
- Literature
- Performance and theatre
- Women's studies
- Film and theatre adaptation
- Creative writing
- Fairy tales
- Mythology
- Television

Mr. Wing Hong Tony Wong

Associate Professor, Mathematics

- Most branches of pure mathematics
- Specialization in discrete mathematics: combinatorics, graph theory, discrete probability, elementary number theory, and linear algebra
- Mathematics competitions at middle school, high school, and college level

Dr. Anne Zayaitz

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

- Food-borne illness/Food industry concerns
- Value of a liberal arts education
- STEM disciplines (at KU)
- Women in science
- Biology- general topics

Dr. Nancy Zimmerman

Associate Professor, Modern Languages

- Foreign languages
- Spanish language
- Spanish- as a heritage language
- Teaching methods
- Student teacher supervision