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Welcome New Faculty and Staff

FAU College of Education welcomed one new non-tenure earning faculty member, two postdoctoral fellows, and six staff members during the COE Welcome Back event on Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022 at the Live Oak Pavilion C & D on the Boca Raton Campus.

In addition, 24 new administrators, faculty and staff members joined A.D. Henderson University School/Florida Atlantic University High School.

Dean's Office

Kelli Wilder Moransais, M.Ed.
Coordinator of School Engagement, Office for School Engagement

Nicholas Carr, B.A.
MS Financial Literacy Instructor (Middle School)

Kristen Coniff, B.A.E.
MS ELA Instructor (Middle School)

CE

Bridget Glass, Ph.D.
Postdoctoral Fellow

Jessie Forbes, M.Ed.
MS Journalism/Yearbook Instructor (Middle School)

Taylor Irvine, Ph.D.
Postdoctoral Fellow

Jessica Foreman, M.S.
2nd Grade Instructor (Elementary)

ELRM

Kimberley McKeag, A.A.
School Leaders Office Administrator, OELL

Ilyssa Goncalves, Ed.S.
4th Grade Instructor (Elementary)

Samantha Grimaldi, M.Ed.
KG Instructor (Elementary)

SE

Peggy Goldstein, Ed.D.
Visiting Instructor

Caroline LaCagnina, B.Ed.
2nd Grade Instructor (Elementary)

Melissa Laverde, B.S.
MS Math Instructor (Middle School)

Hector Garcia, B.S.
ACI Job Coach

Ella Pelliteri, B.A.
MS Social Science Instructor (Middle School)

Marijayne McMahon, B.Ed.
2nd Grade Instructor (Elementary)

Elizabeth Barney, M.A.
CARD Coordinator, Clinical Programs

Jenna Justin
AIT-ST Candidate—6th and 8th Grade Social Studies

Luann Bertaux, M.A.
CARD Clinical Support Specialist

Maryam Zilouchian, M.Ed.
Academic and Extracurricular Support Assistant

Janet Madri-Flores, M.S.W.
CARD iRISE2 Mentoring Program Assistant

Bonnie Moore
Teacher Aide

ADHUS & FAU High School

Keith Fisher, M.Ed.
Assistant Principal
FAU High School

Elyssa Leventhal, M.S.
Teacher Aide

Kelley Fisher, B.S.E.
Director of ESE and Student Support Services

Anjanette Senior, B.A.
Teacher Aide

Jill Deskin, M.S.
School Counselor (Elementary)

Tatyana Senior, B.A.
Teacher Aide

Gigi Kean, M.Ed.
MS SEL Counselor (Middle School)

Sara Smith
Front Office Assistant

Grantis Bell, M.Ed.
HS Counselor (High School)

Pine Jog
Rachel Wellman, Ph.D.
Climate READY Program Coordinator

Lisa Spaulding, M.S.
HS Counselor & Counseling Director (High School)

Tamara Cook, M.S.
Behavior and Assessment Coordinator

New COE Appointments; Staff Promotions

COE Dean Stephen Silverman, Ed.D., announced new appointment of interim chair of the Department of Special Education, who in turn, announced a new appointment in the Academy for Community Inclusion:

Rangasamy Ramasamy, Ph.D.
Interim Chair
Department of Special Education

Kelly Kearney, Ed.D.
Associate Director of ACI Programs and Instructor
Department of Special Education

In addition, COE staff promotions in 2022 include:

Traci Catto, M.Ed.
Director of School Engagement
Office for School Engagement
Dean's Office

Vicky Ramirez, B.B.A.
Coordinator, Administrative Services
Dean's Office

Joe Waters, M.Ed.
Director, Office for Academic and Student Services

Mikaela Kursell, M.F.A.
Coordinator, Academic Programs
Department of Counselor Education

Sita M. Ramnarace, M.Ed.
Assistant Director, Office for Academic and Student Services

Jeremy Bayne
Office Manager
Department of Communication Sciences & Disorders

Jessica Stupec, M.P.A.
Assistant Director, Graduate Education and Advising
Office for Academic and Student Services

Tranekqua Davis-Thomas
Office Manager
COE Northern Campuses

COE Faculty Tenure and/or Promotions

Melanie Acosta, Ph.D.
Associate Professor & Tenure

Bryan Nichols, Ph.D.
Associate Professor & Tenure

Ann Musgrove, Ed.D.
Associate Professor & Tenure

Jarrett Warshaw, Ph.D.
Associate Professor & Tenure

FAU Grants Three Retired Professors Faculty Emeritus Status

Florida Atlantic University's Board of Trustees approved awarding the rank of Faculty Emeritus in the College of Education on June 7, 2022 for the following retired professors:

- Greg Brigman, Ph.D., Counselor Education
- Valerie J. Bristor, Ph.D., Curriculum and Instruction
- Len Sperry, M.D., Ph.D., Counselor Education

FAU President Kelly expressed his "warmest congratulations on this deserved recognition" of their professional service and his deep appreciation for their contributions to FAU over many years. For a complete COE list of those holding this rank, visit [Emeritus Faculty](#).

A.D. Henderson & FAU High School Administration Promotions

Molly Adam, Ph.D.
Director, FAU High School Programs and Admissions

Alvaro Frydman, B.F.A.
Director, Creative Design and Communication

Tammy Bresnahan, Ph.D.
Director, Curriculum, Instruction and Professional Learning

Melissa Cipyak, M.A.
Speech & Language Pathologist

Pilar Taylor, M.Ed.
Director, Stiles Nicholson STEM Teacher Academy

Kimberly Hallstrom, M.A.
Interim Assistant Principal

A.D. Henderson & FAU High School Faculty Promotions

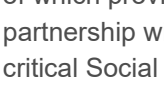
Gina Hufty, Ed.S.
Univ. School Associate Professor

Megan Foster, M.Ed.
Univ. School Accomplished Instr.

Ana Simzer, Ed.S.
Univ. School Assistant Professor

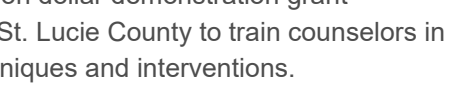
ACI SPOTLIGHTS

FAU ACI RECENT GRADUATE PERSEVERES



Persistence despite challenges culminated with landing competitive employment in the community for Patricia Johnson, who graduated on Aug. 9, 2022 with a Certificate in Supported Employment from FAU's Academy for Community Inclusion (ACI), a program for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities offered by the College of Education's Department of Special Education. ...[Read more](#)

BOOK CLUB MAKES A DIFFERENCE



Members of the Next Chapter Book Club, hosted by the MacArthur Campus Library in collaboration with FAU's ACI in the COE's SE, show that reading and discussing books and current events makes a difference. ...[Read more](#)

DID YOU KNOW?

The Office for Academic and Student Services in the College of Education assists current and prospective undergraduate and graduate students in all stages of their academic journey. For contact information, visit [Advising \(OASS\)](#). Helpful resources are available at [FAU's Owl Resources](#).

Current students may make an appointment with an advisor through the [Student Success Network](#). To check progress toward a degree, visit [DARS Degree Audit](#). Information on applying to Florida Atlantic University and to the College of Education is available at [Prospective Students](#).

Important Dates

Faculty

Sept. 9—Faculty Assembly
Oct. 21—Faculty Assembly

Students

Sept. 9—[Application for Degree](#) due for fall 2022
Sept. 15—[Spring Student Teaching](#) Application due
Sept. 16—Fall 2022 Undergraduate Student Orientation (current and prospective COE undergraduates)
Sept. 21—[Graduate College Open House](#)
Sept. 22—Virtual Transfer Student Open House
Sept. 23—[COE Scholarship](#) submission deadline for 2022-2023
Sept. 23—Defense announcement and signature page draft due to Graduate College ([online submission](#))
Oct. 8—FAU Explore (prospective students FTIC & Transfer)
Oct. 17-21—National Transfer Week (Boca Raton campus visit every day)
Oct. 25—FAU Transfer in a Flash, Davie Campus
Oct. 24—Fall Dissertation Defense deadline
Oct. 31—Fall Dissertation due in the Dean's Office

Publications



Book

Department of Special Education

Percival, J. (2022). *Autism Friendly Cities: How to Develop an Inclusive Community*. CRC Press. Routledge Taylor & Francis. <https://www.routledge.com/Autism-Friendly-Cities-How-to-Develop-an-Inclusive-Community/Percival/book/97811032028224>

Book Chapters

Department of Educational Leadership and Research Methodology

Warshaw, J.B., & McNaughtan, J. (2022). Outsourcing presidential selection in higher education: Exploring the use of executive search firms. In M. Cooney & Q. Martin III (Eds.), *The evolving college presidency: Emerging trends, issues, and challenges* (pp. 223-242). Hershey, PA: IGI Global

FAU High School faculty

Meredith, T.L., Kajjura, S.M., Newton, K.C., Tricas, T.C., and Bedore, C.N. (2022). Advances in the Sensory Biology of Elasmobranchs. In J.C. Carrier, C.A. Simpfendorfer, M.R. Heithaus, and K. Yopak (Eds.), *Biology of Sharks and their Relatives* (3rd ed., pp.143-176). CRC Press. ISBN 9780367861179.

Peer Reviewed Articles

Department of Counselor Education

Kearney, K., & Torres, A. (2022). Teaching job search skills to college students with intellectual and developmental disabilities through screensharing and remote audio coaching. *Education and Training in Autism and Developmental Disabilities*, 57(2), 167-176.

Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Alford, N., Vaughan, M., & Saltzman, K. (2022). Online Course Lead-in: Reimagining the First Weeks of School. *Journal of Educators Online*.

Department of Educational Leadership and Research Methodology

Salcedo, B., Serrano, B., Salinas, C., & Cervantes, D. (2022). "I am a miracle, Yo soy un milagro, I am not supposed to be here": A conversation with Bamby Salcedo. *Journal Committed to Social Change on Race and Ethnicity*, 8(1), 86-105. <https://doi.org/10.15763/issn.2642-2387.2022.8.1.86-105>

Department of Special Education

Kearney, K., & Torres, A. (2022). Teaching job search skills to college students with intellectual and developmental disabilities through screensharing and remote audio coaching. *Education and Training in Autism and Developmental Disabilities*, 57(2), 167-176.

FAU High School students

Maier, K., Zaniolo, L., & Marques, O. (2022). Image quality issues in teledermatology: a comparative analysis of AI solutions. *Journal of the American Academy of Dermatology*, 87(1): 240-242

Lopez, O., Ouyang, B., Lawrence, T., Ernce, A., Gong, S., Gilly, N., Malkiel, E., and Twardowski, M. (2022). Frugal hyperspectral imaging via low rank tensor reconstruction. *Ocean Sensing and Monitoring XIV*. 12118: 139-149.

Prestigious Lectures

Invited Seminar

Vasquez-Colina, M. (2022, June 24). *Una Sinopsis de Métodos Mixtos en las Ciencias de la Salud* [An Overview of Mixed Methods Research in Health Sciences] [Invited Seminar]. I Congreso Internacional de Investigación en Ciencias de la Salud, Universidad Católica de Santa María, Arequipa, Peru.

International Presentations

Department of Counselor Education

Irvine, T., Peluso, P., Beattie, E., & Cipriano, G. (2022, July). *Applying evidence-based strategies for facilitating affair recovery*. Education session presented at the Oxford Institute for Marriage, Couple, and Family Therapy, The University of Oxford, Oxford, England, UK.

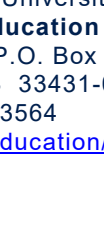
Irvine, T., Peluso, P., Beattie, E., & Cipriano, G. (2022, July). *An affair to remember: Evidence-based recommendations to help couples heal from infidelity*. Education session presented at the Oxford Institute for Marriage, Couple, and Family Therapy, The University of Oxford, Oxford, England, UK.

Interview & Quotes on the News

Department of Educational Leadership and Research Methodology

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