Message from the Provost...

New year’s—and new semester’s—greetings to faculty and staff colleagues! Wishing you each a fulfilling and rewarding 2014...and looking forward to continuing our working together on all matters academic at ‘dear old Wake Forest.’

On that theme, an update from the first half of the current (2013-14) academic year, reporting on two of the primary objectives articulated in my last newsletter.

Enhancing academic programs/faculty excellence

A grateful salute to Chemistry professor Rebecca Alexander, Foundation/Corporate Relations director Linda Luvaas, and a group of faculty/staff colleagues on winning a coveted 2014 Beckman Scholars Award for Undergraduate Science Research (sponsored by the Beckman Foundation). WFU is one of 12 schools nationwide to win the Award; this a first for us, joining past winners like Stanford, Yale, Brown, Vanderbilt, Duke...a tremendous testament to our STEM faculty and URECA program specifically.

Hearty thanks also to two of our trustees—Bobby Burchfield and Debbie Rubin—for their generous commitment to our Presidential Chairs program, dedicated to attracting and retaining WFU’s outstanding teacher-scholars. Debbie and Mike Rubin have designated Jewish Studies as their field for a Chair; the holder will have a primary appointment in History and likely also connect with Religion and the Divinity School, among other disciplines. Bobby’s gift will support a Chair in Political Economy, to be housed in our Economics department with expected interdisciplinary engagement with Politics/International Affairs, Philosophy, and Business School faculty and students.

Searches for distinguished holders of these Chairs will be launched in coming months. The new arrivals will join our initial Presidential Chair designate, Michele Gillespie. As our Reynolda Campus endowed chairs heard a few weeks back, Michele’s current research project, on the fascinating colonial Georgian Mary Musgrove, promises to be another landmark work.

Along with these enduring testaments to the teacher-scholar ideal, we continue to make strong strides on the sponsored-research front. Last academic year, our Reynolda campus grants total was nearly $10 million, our second-highest total ever; the first half of this academic year (July–December 2013) marked our best-ever six-month period, at $6.7 million. Working with Bruce King, associate provost for research, our Office of Research & Sponsored Programs, as well as Deans’ offices across campus, we will continue to encourage and incentivize grant proposals: recent totals are all the more impressive given this past year’s significant sequester-induced reduction in NSF, NIH, and other sources of federal grant support.

Build and sustain an engaged, high-functioning provost’s-office team.

As I’ve noted many times since arriving last year, I’m immensely fortunate to inherit such a remarkable group of co-conspirators in this office. And I’m not the only one to notice their excellence: Jennifer Collins, our beloved vice provost, has been snapped up by SMU as their new Dean of the Law School. Rick Matthews, our CIO and associate provost for technology/computing, isn’t moving as far away; he will join Dean Fetrow’s office to promote more technology-enhanced teaching efforts in our College classrooms. These two lamented departures will require considered thought about how best to organize my team to provide maximally beneficial service to the University. I welcome conversation with you all to that end.
The Office of Global Affairs is pleased to announce the renaming of the Center for International Studies to the Center for Global Programs and Studies. This change comes at a pivotal time when Global Affairs is evaluating the successful implementation of international initiatives set forth by the University’s Quality Enhancement Plan in 2006. Looking ahead to the next seven years, we are charting a course to emphasize the importance of an increasingly Global Wake Forest.

Our vision for 2020 focuses on programming and opportunities for students, faculty and staff across the Collegiate University as they go OUTBOUND to study, engage or research abroad, when they come INBOUND as international students, scholars and colleagues, and while they are WITHIN BOUNDS on campus developing and enriching their global mindsets. Our team is looking forward to working with partners campus-wide to advance a more global culture.

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On February 5-7, Wake Forest will host the sixth annual WISE Conference. Coordinated by the Center for Global Programs and Studies and a faculty steering committee, WISE has become the premier conference focused on the development of intercultural skills and awareness during study abroad and international programs. WISE is a practitioner’s conference focused on helping faculty leaders, program coordinators, and resident staff develop the knowledge and skills they need in order to help study abroad students develop intercultural skills and awareness.

This conference aims to explore students’ intercultural learning abroad from a variety of angles. WISE 2014 will include four sessions focused on several of the intercultural training models now in use. There will also be two sessions focusing on the variety of inventories, tools and approaches being used to assess students’ intercultural competency and awareness.

Wake Forest faculty and staff may register for the WISE Conference at no cost. More information about the schedule and speakers may be found at http://cis.wfu.edu/wise/, with registration at https://pdc.wfu.edu/registration/6998/. Questions may be directed to Steve Duke (x5939). All sessions of WISE will take place at the downtown Marriott Hotel.

The Humanities Institute announces the following winter events:

All are welcome to attend the Monday, January 27th roundtable discussion and documentary screening of “The Story of My Life” from 4:00-5:00 PM in the ZSR Library Auditorium (Room 404). “The Story of My Life” is a multi-media project led by a creative team convened by Phoebe Zerwick (English) that follows the lives of six adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, telling their stories through photographs, written and spoken word, and various visual art forms. The exhibit was on display from October 11th-November 14th last year at the Eleanor and Egbert Davis Gallery at the Sawtooth School for Visual Art in the Milton Rhodes Center for the Arts and is currently on display in the ZSR Library!

The Institute’s Humanities Conversations series continues on Thursday, February 13th from 4:00-5:30 PM in Reynolda Hall 301. Humanities Conversations features informal faculty discussion of issues facing the humanities and of the value of the humanities at large, both at Wake Forest and on the national scene. All humanities faculty are welcome to join in the conversation.

Finally, the Humanities Institute is hosting a series of events on the Humanities and Their Publics. The series begins with a talk by WFU alum and Duke University Professor of English, Ian Baucom at 4:00 PM on Wednesday, February 26th in the ZSR Library Auditorium (Room 404). Baucom is also Director of the John Hope Franklin Humanities Institute at Duke University and President of the international Consortium of Humanities Centers and Institutes. The event will allow time for extended conversation. Join us and bring your students!
EMBERS AND STARS
The story of Petr Ginz

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Directed by Cindy Gendrich
Ring Theatre
February 14-15 & 19-22 at 7:30 PM
February 23 at 2:00 PM

Petr Ginz was a marvel. He wrote novels and poetry, made linocuts and watercolors, invented designs for spaceships and secret codes. And he was murdered by the Nazis when he was only 16. Embers and Stars, the story of Petr Ginz is a story about imagination and courage, about family, love, and unquenchable curiosity. It’s about remembering and celebrating a boy who should have lived.

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by James Rosen

Hanes Art Gallery

Mieko Gylle
seeing what I did not know
feb 13 - mar 31
The Nathan and Julie Hatch Prize for Academic Excellence

The Office of the Provost announces a faculty development award to support a week of research and writing from June 29 to July 6, 2014, at the Summer Research Institute conducted by Harris Manchester College at Oxford University. All room and board expenses, as well as transportation, will be covered. All faculty from the undergraduate college, Z. Smith Reynolds Library, the School of Business, Divinity, Medical and Law Schools are eligible to apply. Thomas Frank and Kendall Tarte, the most recent winners of the Prize, would be happy to answer any questions about the Program.

Please submit a CV and a letter of intent describing the applicant’s current research project by March 1st to Jennifer Collins, Vice Provost, Reynolda Hall 204. For more information, please visit the Current Faculty tab of the Office of the Provost website.

Call for Proposals: Summer Technology Exploration Grants

The Office of the Provost and the Office of the Dean of the College are pleased to announce a joint grant program that will expand the support for those Reynolda campus faculty wishing to explore technology-enhanced teaching and learning or technology-enhanced scholarly or creative work. This program will provide funding for faculty summer projects to explore technologies with the potential to enhance faculty work.

Who should apply? This grant program is the ideal opportunity for faculty wishing to explore particular technology to solve a pedagogical, research, or creative problem.

Apply Online The Call for Proposals (which includes the details of this program), as well as the application form itself, can be found at http://technology.wfu.edu/call-for-proposals/.

Deadline The deadline for submission of proposals is March 3rd. Proposals will be evaluated by a subcommittee of the Committee on Information Technology (CIT).

Questions? Please contact Associate Provost Rick Matthews (matthews@wfu.edu) or Director of Online Programs, Brenda Knox (knoxbl@wfu.edu).

Don’t be the (phishing) catch of the day

As an email user in today’s cyber world, you will most likely receive phishing emails that appear to be sent from a reputable organization such as your bank or even Wake Forest University. The emails entice you to click on a link to provide your passwords, credit card numbers, social security number, etc. Protect your data and the University’s data by not responding. Be skeptical. Wake Forest will never ask you to provide such personal information via email message.

In order to protect you, your data and the University’s data, Information Systems will disable your computing account and contact you if you responded to a phishing scam. If you have any questions about this message or about suspicious email messages, always contact the Information Systems Service Desk at help@wfu.edu. We want to hear from you.
Online Education’s “High Touch Teaching—Pedagogy with Technology”

Online Education recently launched “High Touch Teaching—Pedagogy with Technology,” a newsletter focusing on the use of technology in teaching and learning. High Touch Teaching - Pedagogy with Technology, dubbed by their readers as the HTT(P):// in a contest seeking a catchy name, is to serve as a campaign for promoting the many resources on campus which can assist faculty in integrating instructional technologies as part of a specific project, instructional unit, or an entire course section.

January's "light issue" focused on Flipping the Classroom, bringing together multiple departments to cross-promote resources for flipped instruction through a workshop series. Mix-and-match offerings from the Teaching and Learning Center, Online Education, and Information Systems will allow faculty to select topics relevant to their needs and goals.

Subscribe to the Newsletter:  http://eepurl.com/KELAn
January's Issue:  http://go.wfu.edu/HTTJanuaryNews
December's Issue:  http://go.wfu.edu/HTTDecemberNews
Facebook Page:  http://go.wfu.edu/HTTFacebook

For the first half of FY14, Wake Forest investigators received over $6.7 million from external sponsors and submitted 73 proposals, requesting over $20 million.

The new internal Pilot Research Grants (PRG) provide seed funds to develop proposals deemed likely to attract external funding. They primarily support recently appointed faculty; those entering a new research area in which they do not have significant external funding; and scholarly work in disciplines for which external support is limited. In all cases, the goal is to submit a proposal for external funding. The next deadline is February 21st.

Recipients for fall 2013 were T. Michael Anderson; Kathy Kron, Biology; Lindsay Comstock, Chemistry; Sandy Dickson, Communication and Center for Bioethics, Health, and Safety; Jeff Katula, Health and Exercise Science; Gregory Parks, Law School; and Luis Roniger, Politics and International Affairs.

The Collaborative Pilot Grants (CPG) program aims to stimulate research projects between Wake Forest University Reynolda Campus faculty and another institution, including Wake Forest Health Sciences, that will lead to extramural funding for both institutions. The next deadline is Friday, March 7th.

School of Divinity 1 of 18 seminaries named to List of Seminaries that Change the World

In November 2013, the Center for Faith and Service and Faith3 in Princeton, New Jersey named eighteen seminaries and divinity schools as Seminaries that Change the World. The purpose of this new resource is to highlight seminaries and divinity schools that are demonstrating innovation in theological education in promoting community engagement and social justice while preparing the next generation of religious leaders. The School of Divinity was named to this initial class of seminaries. In its description of the School of Divinity, Seminaries that Change the World highlighted, “The School of Divinity takes seriously the reality of today’s global context and seeks to mirror that diversity within the student body and its programs. To meet the needs of an evolving church and world, the School of Divinity offers an ecumenical environment where students and faculty engage contemporary religious life with intentionality.”
Applications are now being accepted for several upcoming programs.

Aspiring Leaders Program (ALP) Fall 2014
The ALP is a unique opportunity to develop a cohort of faculty and staff throughout the academic year. The program is geared towards faculty who may someday assume a leadership position (i.e. program director, center director or department chair), and staff with a minimum of five to seven years of professional experience who are new to leadership. **Application deadline is March 7th.** For more information visit: [http://pdc.wfu.edu/leadership-management/](http://pdc.wfu.edu/leadership-management/)

Career Group Coaching
Planning one’s career can be empowering, yet daunting if the path is unclear. The Career Planning Small Group will help participants begin to envision and prepare for the next step of their careers. The group will be limited to eight faculty and staff. **Application deadline is February 14th.** For more information visit: [http://pdc.wfu.edu/leadership-management/](http://pdc.wfu.edu/leadership-management/)

Career Development for Women Leaders
The Office of Women in Medicine and Science's (OWIMS) Leadership & Mentoring Program sponsors the professional development fellowship the “Career Development for Women Leaders” (CDWL) Program. The CDWL program for women is modeled after national programs for women in academic health sciences, is eight days and spans nine months, from September through May. **The application deadline for this program is March 7th.** This is a fee-based program. Please visit [http://www.wakehealth.edu/Research/WHCOE/CDWL.htm](http://www.wakehealth.edu/Research/WHCOE/CDWL.htm) for more information about the program.

Leadership Winston-Salem
Leadership Winston-Salem is a 25 year old program that provides a select group of professionals with the opportunity to learn about community leadership. In addition to Wake Forest being a long-time supporter of Leadership Winston-Salem, this opportunity blends well with the community building aspects of our Strategic Plan, as leaders are immersed into several facets of the Winston-Salem community. Please visit [www.leadershipws.org](http://www.leadershipws.org) for more information about the program and documents needed to apply.

The Center for Community Solutions (CCS) is pleased to announce the 2014 CCS Fellows, Dr. Lisa Blee (left), Assistant Professor of History, and Dr. Sharon Raynor (right), Visiting Associate Professor of English. Each brings to the program expertise and a passion for community engagement. Stay tuned for updates on their CBPR progress this semester!

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One of the outcomes of the inaugural 2013 CCS initiative is a collaborative effort spearheaded by Bob Feikema, Executive Director of Family Services, Inc.—*The Forsyth Family Engagement Initiative* (FEI). The FEI involves parents in low-income families with young children in lead roles in a community-based participatory research (CBPR) project to investigate and assess obstacles to and opportunities for families to effectively engage schools, community agencies, and other community institutions in support of their children’s educational success. The FEI is based at Family Services, Inc., a human service agency headquartered in Winston-Salem (NC). The Initiative will be aligned with the agency’s Child Development Program, which is the sole provider of the Head Start program in Forsyth County (NC). The CCS will oversee the CBPR.

Foodways & Roadways Film Screening, Panel Discussion, and Reception
Join us on **Monday, February 10th** at 5:00 pm in the ZSR Auditorium as we watch and discuss *Foodways and Roadways*, a film by Jessica Pic ’13 and Dr. Margaret Savoca of WFBMC.

This will be a look at the community change over time in Winston-Salem as related to the built environment with particular emphasis on the effect on the African American Community and food access. A reception will take place in the Mandelbaum Room.
The LGBTQ Center presents
Kate Bornstein: On Men, Women and the Rest of Us

February 24th
6:00 PM
Lower Wingate Auditorium

The WFU LGBTQ Center is thrilled to welcome author and gender activist Kate Bornstein to campus. As an outspoken transsexual woman keenly interested in and fascinated by the phenomenon of gender, Kate is a well-known and active educator on the subjects of gender, gender identity and sexuality. She is a talented, engaging and powerful speaker. She is the author of several books, including her most recent memoir, A Queer and Pleasant Danger, as well as, Hello, Cruel World: 101 Alternatives to Suicide for Teens, Freaks, and Other Outlaws, and, Gender Outlaw: On Men, Women, and the Rest of Us. Kate Bornstein approaches issues of gender identity and sexuality with honesty and humor in a way that increases the accessibility of her message for diverse audiences. Kate has also plans to spend time with trans*-identified members of the community. If you are interested in connecting with Kate during this time, please contact Angela Mazaris at mazarise@wfu.edu or Li Hooper at hooplm12@wfu.edu.

Lecture series: Dr. Pete Daniel
Distinguished Historian
Former Curator, National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution

Discrimination against African-American Farmers in the Age of Civil Rights
History Engagement Series
Public Lecture
Monday, February 24, 4:00 p.m. | Room 404, ZSR Library
Free and Open to the Public

Breaking the Land: The Transformation of Tobacco Culture in the Piedmont since 1875
Public Lecture
Tuesday, February 25, 5:30 p.m. | Reynolda House
Members/Students free, Non-members $5

Discussion of Lost Revolutions: The South in the 1950s
History 391: Honors Seminar
Wednesday, February 26, 3:30-6:00 p.m. | Tribble Hall B 116
By Special Request Only

Toxic Drift: Pesticides and Health in the Post-World War II South
Interdisciplinary Discussion about Environmental History with Students, Faculty, Staff
Chapter from Toxic Drift will be Circulated in Advance
Thursday February 27, Time and place TBA

Past president of the Organization of American Historians and the Southern Historical Association, Dr. Daniel specializes in the history of the twentieth-century South, and has curated exhibits that deal with science, photography, and music. He is the author of seven books, several of which have received prominent awards. He received his B.A. and M.A. degrees from Wake Forest University.

Winter Institute for Intercultural Communication

The Wake Forest University Office of Diversity & Inclusion and the Intercultural Communication Institute will host the first Winter Institute for Intercultural Communication, a four-day professional development conference that will be held at the Wake Forest Charlotte Center in Charlotte, North Carolina, from March 12-15, 2014.

The Winter Institute is a condensed version of the Summer Institute for Intercultural Communication, which has been hosted by the Intercultural Communication Institute for the past 30 years. The purpose of the Winter Institute is to provide a broad range of educational opportunities regarding intercultural communication to individuals working in various sectors, including education, business, and consulting in both domestic and international contexts.

Attendees will be able to select from several one- and three-day workshops on a broad range of topics. A limited number of scholarships are available for faculty, staff, and students. For more information about the Winter Institute, please visit http://diversity.provost.wfu.edu/winterinstitute or contact Shayla Herndon-Edmunds, at ext. 4917 or herndosm@wfu.edu.

The Center for Bioethics, Health, and Society

The Center for Bioethics, Health, and Society accepts, on a rolling basis, applications for small grants (up to $1,000) to support Bioethics activities. For more information and the application form for this funding opportunity, please see the CBHS Funding Application on the Center’s website are available at: http://bioethics.wfu.edu/Opportunities & Organizing Themes/Funding Opportunities/.
Sweatshops in the Global Economy

February 5th, 6:30 PM
Farrell Hall, Broyhill Auditorium

Dr. Benjamin Powell, Director, Free Market Institute, Texas Tech University; Senior Fellow, Independent Institute  Dr. Allin Cottrell, Professor, Department of Economics, Wake Forest University  Moderator, Dr. Ian Taplin, Professor, WFU Department of Sociology

Drs. Powell and Cottrell will discuss the economics of sweatshops and economic forces that determine working conditions and wages in third world countries.

Despite conventional views on the issue, Dr. Powell argues that sweatshops are actually the best alternative available to some third world workers and that sweatshops are part of an industrial development process that leads to higher wages and better working conditions. Powell states that attempts to eliminate sweatshops actually reduce the choices, wages, and working conditions of workers in third world countries.

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Founders’ Day Convocation

Thursday, February 20, 4:00 p.m.
Wait Chapel
Faculty - Staff - Students Welcome
Orations, Senior Video and Faculty Awards