



***FACULTY REPORT  
OF EXCELLENCE***

**2022-2023**



Southwestern University's faculty daily demonstrate their commitment to advancing knowledge and the human condition by their work in the classroom, in the lab or field, and in communities around the world. They motivate students to read deeply and think critically, to be open to new ideas and creatively apply what they learn to real world challenges. As mentors they help students find their passions, seek meaningful careers, and pursue social justice. Through words, music, art and performance, they inspire all of us to be our better selves, and to never stop learning.

The following pages celebrate the excellence of our faculty, students and staff—collaborations, research and scholarly works, awards and honors, presentations and performances—from April 1, 2022, to May 30, 2023.



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### ON THE COVER:

A detail from the set design for the Magnolia Musical Theatre production of *Beauty and the Beast*, presented July 19 to August 13 at the Hill Country Galleria in Bee Cave, Texas. Southwestern's Professor of Theatre **Desiderio Roybal** served as scenic designer and lead artist for the outdoor production, which featured a live orchestra and a professional cast. **ABOVE:** A view of the full set design.



ART & ART HISTORY

**Thomas Noble Howe**

Professor Howe conducted a field season in 2022 at the ancient Roman villas of Stabiae. Small teams from the University of Maryland, the University of Akron, and Cornell University joined Howe and Southwestern student **Oliver Johnson** '23 in digitally recording the architecture of one of the Villa Airanna.

BIOLOGY

**Jennie DeMarco**

Assistant Professor DeMarco and **Gabrielle Garza** '22, **Guadalupe Sanchez** '23, and **Christine Vanginault** '23 attended a conservation summit on July 27, 2022, at the Copper Mountain ski resort in Colorado. DeMarco and local partners presented their research project, "Ski Slope Restoration as a Nature Climate Solution," at the summit, which sought to help resort operators, land managers, and researchers share methods for enhancing the conservation of local ecosystems impacted by recreation.

**Kim McArthur**

Assistant Professor McArthur, with co-authors **Emma Astad** '21, **Emmett Griffin-Baldwin** '22, **Bria Tovar** '22, and **Tori Tovar** '22, wrote a research article for the *Journal of Comparative Neurology*. The article "Early development of respiratory motor circuits in larval zebrafish (*Danio rerio*)," provides critical foundational information about the development of an emerging model circuit in developmental neurobiology, setting the stage for future work on synapse development.

# STUDENT/FACULTY COLLABORATION

CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY

**Mike Gesinski**

Associate Professor Gesinski and four SCOPE research students—**Nathaniel Blake** '24, **Michelle Nguyen** '23, **Yaz Sebastiany** '24, and **Chelsey Southwell** '24—attended the 47th National Organic Chemistry Symposium June 26–30, 2022, in San Diego. They met with scientific leaders from academia and the pharmaceutical industry, including three Nobel laureates, and presented three posters. Nguyen was awarded best poster for "Titanium-Mediated Synthesis of Cyclobutanones."

**Emily Niemeyer, Mike Gesinski, Sara Massey**

Professor Niemeyer, Associate Professor Gesinski, and Assistant Professor Massey collaborated with the following students who presented posters at the American Chemical Society Spring 2022 meeting in San Diego: **Yusuf Buhari** '23, **Sean Calvert** '22, **Gabrielle Cano** '22, **Natalie Gierat** '22, **Rhoda Hijazi** '22, **Jared McCormack** '22, **Neha Momin** '22, and **Ethan Shilgalis** '22.

COMMUNICATION STUDIES

**Lamiyah Bahrainwala**

Assistant Professor Bahrainwala supervised a project by **Demi Tomasides** '22, who presented a paper, "Othered: The Black and White Portrayal of Neurodiversity in *Grey's Anatomy*," at the 2022 Alpha Chi National Convention March 24–26 in Austin. Bahrainwala also:

- Supervised four student projects presented at the Communicating Diversity Student

Conference 2022 at Texas A&M. The students included: **Mary Smith** '23, **Preston Willis** '23, **Katie Love** '23, and **Jessica Bettis** '23.

- Supervised five student projects presented at the 2023 Undergraduate Scholars Research Conference in Phoenix. Reviewers highly commended the SU students who won three out of the four Top Paper Awards, including **Katie Love** '23, **Preston Willis** '23, and **Jordan Preston** '23. Other student presenters included **Jenna Baird** '23 and **Caden Cox** '23. Students **Nina Mitrofanova** '23 and **Alli Ziehm** '23 were also invited to present.

EDUCATION

**Michael Kamen**

Professor Kamen presented with student **Allison Hentges** '24 on her King Creativity project, "The Reasons for Seasons," at the 2022 International Consortium for Research in Science and Mathematics Education in Panama City, Panama. Kamen and Assistant Professor Debra Plowman (A&M Corpus Christi) also presented "Slide Rules: to the Moon and Back."

- Kamen and education majors **Leora Ammerman** '24, **Logan Ferguson** '24, **Caitlynn Graves** '24, **Allison Hentges** '24, **Kristin Lacy** '24, **Rebecca Ramirez** '24, and **William Slanina-Wertz** '24 presented "A Potpourri of Hands-on, Minds-on Lessons and Activities" at the Science Teachers Association of Texas annual Conference for the Advancement of Science Teaching (CAST) in Dallas Nov. 10–12, 2022.

## Raquel Sáenz Ortiz

Assistant Professor Sáenz Ortiz and student SCOPE researchers **Rebecca Ramirez '24** and **Laura Carrasco Torres '24** presented “Curricular imperialism: The impact of ‘anti-CRT’ legislation on Ethnic Studies classrooms in Texas” at the Critical Race Studies in Education Association Annual Meeting, Oct. 26–28, 2022, in Edwardsville, Illinois.

### HISTORY

## Jethro Hernández Berrones

Associate Professor Berrones worked with **Saúl Zúñiga '22** on research that culminated in Zúñiga's poster, “To Live and Birth On: Mexican Midwives' Prosperity into Modernity.” It was presented at the 95th Annual Meeting of the American Association for the History of Medicine, April 21–24, 2022, in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Zúñiga used a King Creativity Fund award to further archival research in Mexico City.

- Berrones also co-authored a paper with **Samantha Alvarado '22** (Anthropology), who presented the paper “Challenging Norms: Gender, Obstetrics, and the Gynecological Massage in Mexico in the 1920s” at the Southern Association for the History of Science and Medicine 2023 Annual Conference in Atlanta. Hernández Berrones mentored Alvarado on the project, including archival work in Mexico City.

### KINESIOLOGY

## Scott McLean

Professor McLean and SCOPE research students **C. P. Shaulis '22**, **Sam Anderson '23**, and **Riley Barlage '23** presented “Lower Extremity Muscle Activity When Walking on a Non-Motorized Treadmill” at the 2022 American College of Sports Medicine Annual Meeting and World Congress, May 31–June 4, 2022, in San Diego.

- McLean also presented “Effect of Block Design on Rotational Characteristics of a Swim Start”—research conducted with SCOPE students **Sam Anderson '23**, **Riley Barlage '23**, and **C. P. Shaulis '22**—at the 2022 International Society of Biomechanics in Sports Annual Conference July 19–23, 2022, in Liverpool, England.

## Jennifer Stokes

Assistant Professor Stokes presented two research abstracts at poster sessions hosted by the American Physiological Society (APS) at the 2022 Experimental Biology conference on April 1–5 in

Philadelphia. The first abstract, “Daily E-cigarette Vapor Exposure Does Not Modify Response to 10% Normobaric Hypoxia in Long-Evans Rats,” presented data from the StokesLab summer 2021 faculty-student project conducted by kinesiology student **Alicia Peters '23**. The second abstract presented additional data from an ongoing pedagogical project.

### LANGUAGES, LITERATURES, AND CULTURES

## Erika Berroth

Associate Professor Berroth mentored research by **Christine Vanginault '23**, presented at the 46th Annual Conference of the German Studies Association (GSA) in Houston Sept. 15–18, 2022. For the first time, a GSA panel featured undergraduate research in German studies. Contributing to a panel of five undergraduate researchers, Vanginault's paper, “The Importance of Storytelling in Portraying Transnational Identities, Relationships, and Environmental and Social Justice Issues,” represented the results of her interdisciplinary research in biology, environmental studies, and German.

### MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE

## Barbara Anthony

Professor Anthony's work with **Arden Neff '25** culminated in a prize-winning poster presentation at the 126th annual meeting of the Texas Academy of Sciences in San Angelo, Texas, March 3–4, 2023. Begun as a community-



engaged learning project in a fall 2022 Operations Research course, Neff and Anthony investigated the use of operations research for issues relevant to small agricultural businesses. The poster, “Optimizing Grape Harvest Timing and Yield using Linear Programming,” won first place in the Mathematics and Computer Science poster section. Anthony also:

- Participated with **Alejandro Medina '24** and **Mark Mueller '24** in the 19th International Conference on Cooperative Design, Visualization, and Engineering, held virtually September 25–28, 2022. Medina presented the group's paper, “Prioritizing Self, Team, or Job: Trends in Sincerity in Cooperative Polls.”
- Was co-author with **Kate Nguyen '24** on the paper, “Non-majors Explore Less Well-Known Contributors to Computing,” presented at the 54th ACM Technical Symposium on Computer Science Education, March 15 - 18, 2023, in Toronto.

## Fumiko Futamura

Professor Futamura, along with students **Sarah Friday '21**, **Jordan Smith '21**, and **Aaron Waclawczyk '21**, published a peer-reviewed article, “Powers of Defective Matrices From Diagonalizable Dilations,” in *Linear Algebra and its Applications* (March 15, 2023). The paper resulted from SCOPE research begun in 2019.

- Futamura also supervised student talks at the 2023 meeting of the Texas Section of the Mathematical Association of America on March 24–26 in Stephenville, Texas. Student giving talks included **Zek McCormick '24** (who won an award for best student paper within a session), **Oliver Johnson '24**, and **Isabella Robinson '25**.

## Alison Marr

Professor Marr supervised the following student talks at the 2023 meeting of the Texas Section of the Mathematical Association of America:

**Anderson Johnson '24**, **Paige Thompson '26**, **Kyla Gorman '21**: “Domino Antimagic Configurations,” **Alley Koenig '24**, **Cassandra Nunez '26**: “Subtractive Edge Magic Labelings,” **Kathryn Altman '24**, **Lauren Calzado '23**: “An Exploration of Difference Distance Magic Graph Labelings,” and **Aaron Garza '26**, **Kaiden Salaz '26**: “What is the Smallest Area? A Parabolic Parable.”

## Jacob Schrum

Associate Professor Schrum co-authored “Hybrid Encoding for Generating Large Scale Game Level

Patterns with Local Variations,” published in *IEEE Transactions on Games*. This collaboration began at Germany's 2019 Schloss Dagstuhl seminar. The following summer, Schrum's SCOPE students **Kirby Steckel '21** and **Benjamin Capps '22** made significant contributions to the project, which led to their inclusion as co-authors.

- Schrum also accompanied **Alejandro Medina '24**, **Melanie Richey '23**, and **Mark Mueller '24** to the South Central Regional Meeting of the Consortium for Computing Sciences in Colleges in Nacogdoches, TX, on March 31, 2023, where students presented posters based on SCOPE research. Their poster, “Using Quality Diversity to Evolve Flying Machines in Minecraft,” won third place in the undergraduate poster competition.

## Therese Shelton

Associate Professor Shelton supervised a fall 2022 mathematics capstone presentation by **Emily Thompson '22**, “Using Neural Ordinary Differential Equations (NODEs) to Create Models of Complex Curves.” Shelton also:

- Published, with co-authors **Bonnie Henderson '18** and **Michael Gebhardt '16**, the chapter “Acrobatics in a Parametric Arena” in *Mathematics Research for the Beginning Student*. Parts of Gebhardt's and Henderson's capstone projects were included in the chapter. Professor of Kinesiology **Scott McLean** aided in data collection, and research assistants included **E. Wilson Cook '22**, **Audrey Schumacher '23**, and **Emily Thompson '22**.
- Collaborated on research with **Emma Lewis '23** and **Jillian Reese '23**, as well as with Associate Professor Joe Iaia and students at the University of North Texas. Funded by a CURM grant, Lewis and Reese presented “An ODD Look at Theorems in Differential Equations,” at the Spring 2023 Meeting of the Texas Section of the Mathematical Association of America.

### PHYSICS

## Steven Alexander, Mark Bottorf

Professor **Steven Alexander** and Associate Professor **Mark Bottorf** supervised the research of **Carson Vogel '23**, who presented “Modeling Heat Transfer” at the 17th Annual Texas Undergraduate Mathematics Conference at UT Austin on October 29, 2022. The project was a continuation of 2021 and 2022 SCOPE projects focused on solar storage cell development.

## Cody Crosby

Assistant Professor Crosby presented with **Jonathan Smart '23**, "Quantifying the Printability of Biomaterial Inks," on April 23, 2022, at the virtual Heart of Texas Undergraduate Research Conference. Crosby also:

- Attended the 2022 Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Annual Meeting Oct. 12-15, 2022, in San Antonio with four FSP research students: **Kristie Cheng '23**, **Domenic Cordova '23**, **Noah Pyles '23**, and **Angel Rodriguez '24**. They presented posters focused on the development of a novel biomaterial ink for the blood-brain barrier and the fabrication of a low-cost Ender-3 bioprinter. Students Cordova and Pyles also presented rapid-fire talks on the topic at the Great Plains Biomaterials Day in Lawrence, Kan., on Nov. 4, 2022. Only five of the 35 submissions to the conference were selected for talks.
- Presented with **Domenic Cordova '23** and **Nina Woodward '25** on March 4, 2023, at the Capitol of Texas Undergraduate Research Conference at UT Austin.

## POLITICAL SCIENCE

### Bob Snyder

Professor Snyder supervised the work of **Antonio Esparza '22**, who presented "Climate-Fueled Authoritarianism in Southeast Asia: A Comparative Case Study of the Philippines, Vietnam, and Thailand," at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference on April 7-10, 2022, in Chicago.

### Emily Sydnor

Associate Professor Sydnor, along with **Rachel Berger '23** and **Alaina Dixon '24**, presented "Destructive or Democratic? Perceptions of Civility and Protest Attitudes" at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference on April 7-10 in Chicago.

- Sydnor also published, with **Emily Tesmer '20** and **Breely Peterson '20**, "Confronting Politics: The Role of Conflict Orientation in Shaping Political Debate," in the *Journal of Deliberative Democracy*. August 2022.

## PSYCHOLOGY

### Traci Giuliano

Professor Giuliano and **Will Hebl '23** presented a poster, "How Common is Undergraduate Publication in Psychology," at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology in Atlanta, Feb 23-25, 2023.

### Fay Guarraci

Professor Guarraci coauthored an article, "Daily GnRH Agonist Treatment Effectively Delayed Puberty in Female Rats without Long-Term Effects on Sexual Behavior or Estrous Cyclicity," with **Layla Avendano '22**, **Isabel Candelario '21**, **Cler Estoesta '22**, **Brooke Frohock '21**, **Kate Davis '20**, **Megan Kelly '23**, **Matt Oevermann '21**, **Bernard Sencherey '22**, **Erin Toro '21**, and **Hannah Valdivia '22**, published in *Physiology & Behavior*, October 2022. Part of the work was supported by SCOPE.

- Guarraci also published, with **Megan Kelly '23**, **Amanda Gale '23**, **Jasmine Belfield '23**, **Natalie Williams '25**, **Layla Avendano '22**, **Cler Estoestra '22**, **Brooke Frohock '21**, **Lily Yopez '22**, and **Bernard Sencherey '22**, "Chronic periadolescent leuprolide exposure affects the development of reproductive physiology and behavior of female and male rats differently, but both mature after treatment termination," in *Biology of Sex Differences*, Jan. 6, 2023

### Carin Perilloux

Associate Professor Perilloux, along with **Allison Hewett '22**, and **Vy Nguyen '22**, presented a poster, "Who Gets the Tingles? Modeling ASMR Predictors," at the Western Psychological Association's 102nd Annual Convention April 27-May 1, 2022, in Portland, Oregon. The poster represents their SCOPE 2021 work.

- Perilloux also presented, with students **Madeline Bollinger '24**, **Laurel Mulkey '24**, and **Vy Nguyen '23**, a poster, "Calm Yourself Up? Converse Effects of ASMR on Heart Rate and GSR," at the annual meeting of the Society of Personality and Social Psychology in Atlanta Feb 23-25, 2023. This reflects work completed during SCOPE 2022.

## SOCIOLOGY & ANTHROPOLOGY

### Melissa Johnson, Naomi Reed

Professor Johnson accompanied three SCOPE students, mentored by Assistant Professor **Naomi Reed**, to the Universities Studying Slavery Fall 2022 Conference Sept. 28-Oct. 1 in Charlottesville, Virginia. Student presenters included **Maria (Cony) Cameron '24**, "Exploring Policy and Racial Climate;" **Aspen Coriz-Romero '24**, "Building Communities of Care and Organizing Resistance at Southwestern University;" and **Kellie Henderson '23**, "Early Life of Black Students and Faculty on the Southwestern University Campus."

### Maria Lowe

Professor Lowe supervised a capstone project by **ThuyMi Phung '23** that received the Southern Sociological Society's 2023 Howard Odum Award for Best Undergraduate Paper. Her capstone paper was titled, "There are always going to be bad people who access guns': Predictors of Americans' Perspectives on Gun Violence."

## SPANISH

### María de los Ángeles Rodríguez Cadena

Associate Professor Rodriguez Cadena oversaw the work of Spanish majors **Evelyn Eason '22** and **Danielle Perales '23**, who presented papers at the Latin American and Latinx Studies Symposium on April 8 at Rollins College in Winter Park, Fla. Eason presented "Indigenous Poetry and Ecofeminism in the Work of Irma Pineda Santiago," which is based on her Spanish honor thesis. Perales presented "The Power of Knowledge: Ludic Humanism in *The Motorcycle Diaries*." Both presentations were delivered in Spanish.

### Katy Ross

Professor Ross, along with Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science **Katie Aha** and **Catherine Hiebel '22**, published "Populism and Surrogacy in Spain" in *Women's Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal*. December 2022.



### Sergio Costola

Associate Professor Costola led a faculty-student project, *G.H.O.S.T. Unit: The Live Event*, in 2021-22 and 2022-23 with **Dane Parker '22**, **Campbell Duffy '22**, **Jaime Hotaling '23**, **Harrison Jones '23**, **Oskar Brian '22**, **Jessica Workman '22**, **Ash Zunker '25**, and **Lilly Percifield '22**. The students performed *G.H.O.S.T. Unit* at the renowned Edinburgh Fringe Festival in August 2022.

# GRANTS

## ART & ART HISTORY

### Allison Miller

Associate Professor Miller received the AsiaNetwork/Luce Postdoctoral Teaching Fellowship Grant for Southwestern University. The grant supports the hiring of a postdoctoral fellow for two years, providing \$38,000 each year to support the position as well as funding to attend the AsiaNetwork conference. Miller also received a \$1,500 AsiaNetwork Speakers Bureau Grant to host St. Olaf College's Karil Kucera, who gave a class presentation, a public lecture, and had lunch with students.

## BIOLOGY

### Jennie DeMarco

Assistant Professor DeMarco was awarded a \$40,000 research grant from the Bureau of Land Management for her proposal, "Nature Climate Solutions: Evaluating the Role of Wet Meadow Restoration in Climate Change Mitigation and Resilience."

- DeMarco was also awarded \$14,580 from the Upper Gunnison River Water Conservation District for her proposal, "From Transect to Landscape: Investigating the Role of Remote Sensing Tools to Monitor Soil Moisture with Wet Meadow Restoration in the Gunnison Valley."

## COMMUNICATION STUDIES

### Bob Bednar

Professor Bednar received a \$40,000 "Reframing the Institutional Saga" grant from the Network for Vocation in Undergraduate Education and the Council of Independent Colleges for the Placing Memory Project. The project centers on creating high-impact experiences for a team of 12 student researchers conducting archival research, interviews, and site analyses related to who and what is materially remembered and forgotten in the buildings and grounds on Southwestern's campus. The outcome will be physical and virtual exhibits of campus "memory markers."

## LANGUAGES, LITERATURES, AND CULTURES

### Erika Berroth

Associate Professor Berroth earned a materials grant from the German Foreign Office and the German Academic Exchange Service, Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD). The grant covers a curated collection of German language titles for children and young adults, including picture books, graphic novels, non-fiction, and fiction. Students will use the collection to study media, narration, as well as representations of diversity, inclusion, and anti-racism in German literature for young audiences.

## MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE

### Noelle Sawyer

Assistant Professor Sawyer and Benjamin Call (U of Illinois-Chicago) won funding from the American Institute of Mathematics to organize a research community called "Big Ideas in Dynamics" in 2023. Up to five experts in dynamical systems will give talks on "big ideas" that underlie one of their papers, the talks serving as jumping-off points for graduate student reading groups. It is hoped the groups will lead to graduate students giving expository talks at conferences.

### Therese Shelton

Associate Professor Shelton co-led a four-day virtual workshop, "Modeling Inspiration for Differential Equations," for 25 faculty participants through the Mathematical Association of America's Online Professional Enhancement and Capacity Building for Instructional Practices in Undergraduate Mathematics program, which is funded through the NSF. The group was invited to apply to organize a workshop based on its previous NSF-funded work.

## UNIVERSITY-WIDE

### Sam Taylor Fellowship Fund

The following sixteen faculty received Sam Taylor Fellowship Fund grants ranging from \$945 to \$1,150: **Erika Berroth, Noelia Cigarroa-Cooke, Cody Crosby, Fay Guarraci, Laura Hobgood, Karen Lara, Kimberly McArthur, Ken Mello, Raquel Moreira, Gabriel Peña, Aaron Prevots, Ángeles Rodriguez, Catherine Bourland Ross, Raquel Sáenz-Ortiz, Rico Self and Jennifer Stokes.**



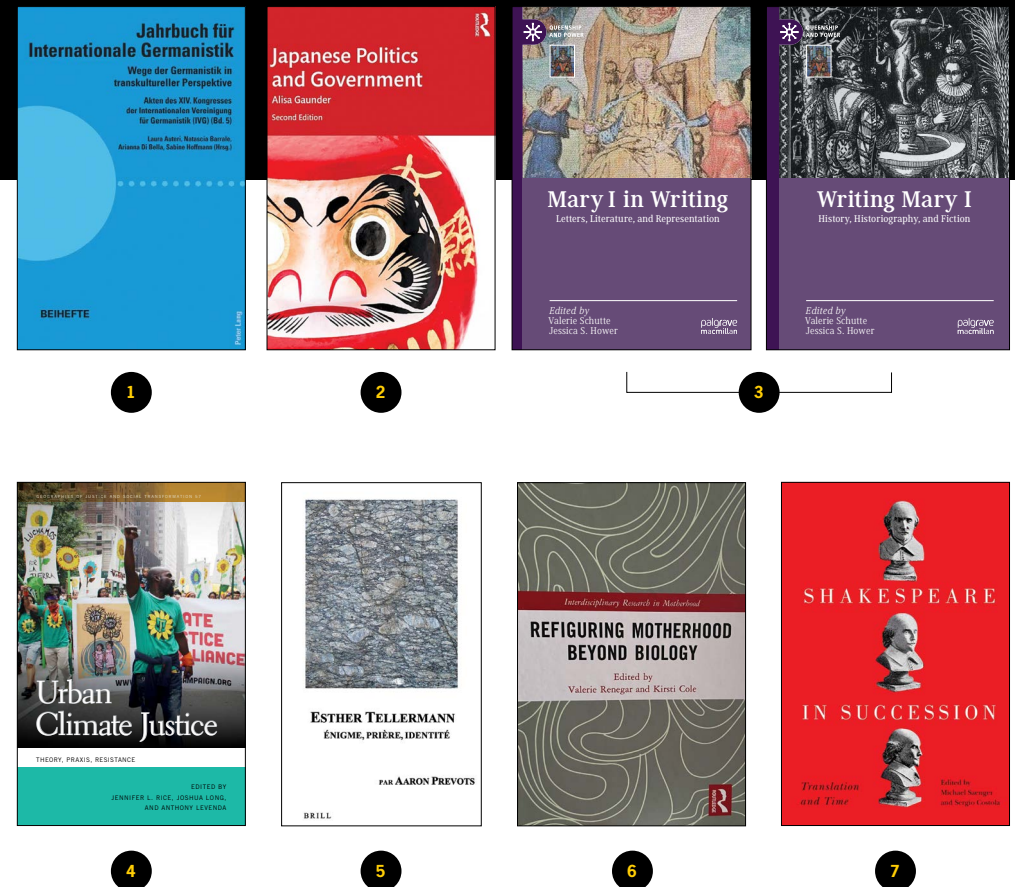
## CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY EDUCATION

### Maha Zewail-Foote, Alicia Moore

Professor Zewail-Foote and Associate Professor Moore were awarded a grant from the Associated Colleges of the South (ACS) to create a unique virtual cross-institutional faculty mentoring program for early-career faculty of color (FOC) called FOC CONNECT. The program connects early-career faculty of color with senior faculty from other ACS institutions and provides professional development support as well as networking opportunities.

# BOOKS

- 1 **Erika Berroth**  
Associate Professor of German Erika Berroth co-edited *Behinderungen und Herausforderungen. Disability Studies in der Germanistik*, published by Peter Lang International Academic Publishers, 2002. Included in the volume is her research article on representations of deaf cultures in German film.
- 2 **Alisa Gaunder**  
Professor of Political Science and Dean of the Faculty Alisa Gaunder published the second edition of her book, *Japanese Government and Politics*, with Routledge in February 2023. The second edition includes new information on party realignment, elections since 2017, the effects of the global pandemic, and Japanese foreign policy.
- 3 **Jessica Hower**  
Associate Professor of History Jessica Hower edited two books: *Mary I in Writing: Letters, Literature, and Representation*; and *Writing Mary I: History, Historiography, and Fiction*; with Valerie Schutte. Published by Palgrave Macmillan, 2022.
- 4 **Joshua Long**  
Professor of Environmental Studies Joshua Long co-edited a book with Jennifer L. Rice (University of Georgia) and Anthony Levenda (Evergreen State) titled *Urban Climate Justice: Theory, Praxis, Resistance*, published by the University of Georgia Press. The three editors also authored two chapters in the book. April 2023.
- 5 **Aaron Prevots**  
Professor of French Aaron Prevots authored *Esther Tellermann: Énigme, Prière, Identité*, Volume 59 of the collection *Monographique Rodopi en littérature française contemporaine*. Published by Brill, 2022.



- 6 **Valerie Renegar**  
Communications Studies Professor Valerie Renegar and Professor Kristi Cole (Minnesota State) co-edited *Refiguring Motherhood Beyond Biology*, 2023. Published by Routledge, the book features essays challenging the biological expectations of motherhood and features work by communication, rhetoric, and motherhood scholars across the U.S., including Southwestern's Renegar, Assistant Professor of Communication Studies **Lamiyah Bahrainwala**, Professor of Spanish **Katy Ross**, and Ross's student **Bailey Barlow '23**.
- 7 **Michael Saenger, Sergio Costola**  
Professor of English Michael Saenger and Associate Professor of Theatre Sergio Costola collaborated on *Shakespeare in Succession: Translation and Time*, published by McGill-Queen's University Press, 2023. The edited collection brings together scholars from eight different countries and five continents.



ART & ART HISTORY

**Allison Miller**

“Painting Bronze in Early China: Uncovering Polychromy in China’s Classical Sculptural Tradition,” *Archives of Asian Art*, Spring 2022.

BIOLOGY

**Jennie DeMarco**

“Composted biosolids for enhanced soil organic carbon and water storage in perennial pastures in Colorado,” *Agriculture, Ecosystems & Environment*. February 2023.

**Ben Pierce**

“Relative Tail Width as an Indicator of Body Condition in Central Texas Eurycea Salamanders,” August 2022 issue of *Herpetological Conservation and Biology*.

**Maria Cuevas, Maria Todd**

“Microarray Analysis Reveals Overexpression of Both Integral Membrane and Cytosolic Tight Junction Genes in Endometrial Cancer Cell Lines,” *Journal of Cancer*, Oct. 2022. Published with student **Chance Winters** ’21.

CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY/BIOLOGY

**Maha Zewail-Foote, Martín Gonzalez**

Co-authored “Crisscrossing Learning Experiences in an Undergraduate Research-Based Laboratory Course to Promote Reciprocal Peer Learning,” *Journal of Chemical Education*, March 1, 2023.

**ARTICLES  
AND BOOK  
CHAPTERS**

COMMUNICATION STUDIES

**Bob Bednar**

“Trauma Remains: The Material Afterlives of the 1989 Alton School Bus Crash,” *Journal of Material Culture*, October 2022.

ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS

**Debika Sihi**

“What Adventure Will You Choose: New or Nostalgic?” *Adweek*, June 10, 2022.

ENGLISH

**Eileen Cleere**

“Going Downtown: ‘Right Reading,’ Mental Hygiene, and the Adolescent Sublimation of Victorian Sensation,” *Children’s Literature Association Quarterly*, April 2022. The essay was first presented as a Paideia Connections Lecture in 2015.

**Rebecca Evans**

“A Reflection on Teaching Octavia Butler’s Novel *Parable of the Sower*,” part of the Association for the Study of Literature and Environment’s *Zoom In* pedagogy series, 2022.

**Michael Saenger (English)**

*Finding Common Ground: A Strategy for Combating the Anti-Israel Movement in the U.S. Academy*, a pamphlet published with the Academic Engagement Network, September 2022. Saenger also:

- Co-authored with Cary Nelson (U of Illinois Urbana-Champaign) the essay, “When Discourse about Israel Becomes Antisemitic: A Guide for the Perplexed,” in the British journal *Fathom*, January 2023.
- Reviewed *Hamlet Translations: Prisms of Cultural Encounters across the Globe*, edited by Márta Minier and Lily Kahn. *Translation Studies*, Sept. 20, 2022.







MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE

### Kendall Richards

With Horst Alzer (University of Würzburg), "Combinatorial Identities and Hypergeometric Functions" in the *Rocky Mountain Journal of Mathematics*, Dec. 2022.

#### FEMINIST STUDIES

### Jordan Johnson

"Staying with the Trouble with Wilderness: Reworking Nature and Culture in the Plantationocene," *The Journal of Posthumanism*, October 2022.

#### HISTORY

### Jethro Hernández Berrones

"Healers and Doctors: A History of the Healing Occupations in Mexico," a chapter in *Healthcare in Latin America: History, Society, Culture*, edited by David S. Dalton and Douglas J. Weatherford (U of Florida, 2022). Hernández Berrones also:

- Three translations of primary sources from and on the Free School of Obstetrics and Nursing, a school that thrived in Mexico City in the 1920s and 1930s. The translations are part of the new "Advanced Topic: Reproductive Histories" section of the History of Science in Latin America and the Caribbean (HOSLAC) archive (U of New Hampshire).
- "An Undesirable Past: Free Medical Schools and the First Doctors of the Mexican Revolution, 1910–1945," a chapter in *Transforming Medical Education: Historical Case Studies of Teaching, Learning, and Belonging in Medicine*, edited by Delia Gavrus and Susan Lamb (McGill-Queen).

#### KINESIOLOGY

### Ed Merritt

"Prolonged Cycling Lowers Subsequent Running Mechanical Efficiency in Collegiate Triathletes," with Appalachian State's J. A. Stewart, D. E. Lidstone, J. M. McBride, and K. A. Zwetsloot in *BMC Sports Science, Medicine, and Rehabilitation*. August 2022.

### Jennifer Stokes

"Time Domains of Hypoxia Responses and -Omics Insights," collaboratively with leaders in the field of hypoxia physiology in *Frontiers*, Aug. 8, 2022.

- Stokes also published a review of the Institute and Teaching and Learning Conference, a collaborative effort by the organizers, in *Advances in Physiology Education*, on March 22, 2023.

#### LANGUAGES, LITERATURES, AND CULTURES

### Katy Ross

"Las No-Madres: The Commercialization and Medicalization of Infertility in Quién quiere ser madre," a book chapter co-written with **Bailey Barlow** '23, analyzing the 2017 novel *Quién quiere ser madre* [Who wants to be a mother] by Silvia Nanclares. The chapter was published in *Refiguring Motherhood Beyond Biology*, 2023.

### Noelle Sawyer

"Unique Equilibrium States for Geodesic Flows on Flat Surfaces with Singularities" in *International Mathematics Research Notices*. Co-authors Dave Constantine (Wesleyan U), Benjamin Call (U of Illinois Chicago), Alena Erchenko (U of Chicago), and Grace Work (U of Illinois). Aug. 26, 2022.

### Jacob Schrum

Associate editor of a special issue of *IEEE Transactions on Games* on the topic of "Evolutionary Computation for Games," March 2023. The issue included a peer-reviewed contribution from Schrum, external collaborators, and former SCOPE students.

#### MUSIC

### Michael Cooper

World-premiere edition of Margaret Bonds' setting of the iconic spiritual "We Shall Overcome" as part of the *Margaret Bonds Signature Series* of Hildegard Publishing Co., Worcester, Mass. Cooper also:

- The first-ever edition of Margaret Bonds' "Sleep Song" (text by Joyce Kilmer), as part of the Margaret Bonds Signature Series with Hildegard Publishing Co.
- Entry on composer Margaret Bonds for *MGG-Online* (Die Musik in Geschichte und Gegenwart), the leading German-language encyclopedia of music, March 2023.

#### POLITICAL SCIENCE

### Alisa Gaunder

With co-author Karine Moe (Macalester College), the lead essay "So You are Going to Be a New CAO: Strategies for Success," in the Oct. 2022 edition of *The ACAD Leader* sponsored by the American Council of Academic Deans.

### Eric Selbin

"All Around the World: Revolutionary Potential in the Age of Authoritarian Revanchism," in *Handbook of Revolutions in the 21st Century: The New Waves of Revolutions, and the Causes and Effects of Disruptive Political Change*, edited by Jack A. Goldstone, Leonid Grinin, and Andrey Korotayev (Springer, 2022).

### Bob Snyder

"An American Tragedy: The Fall of Afghanistan," in the journal *Small Wars & Insurgencies*, Dec. 2022.

### Emily Sydnor

"COVID-19 and the Culture of American Federalism," in *The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences*, Dec. 1, 2022.

- Sydnor also published "Confronting Politics: The Role of Conflict Orientation in Shaping Political Debate," in the *Journal of Deliberative Democracy*, Aug. 19, 2022.

#### PSYCHOLOGY

### Traci Giuliano

"High Impact: Examining Predictors of Faculty-Undergraduate Coauthored Publication and Presentation in Psychology," in *PLOS ONE*. All three coauthors, **Isham Kimbell** '21, **Emily Olsen** '20, and **Jennifer Howell** '09, were current or former undergraduates at the time the research was conducted.

- Giuliano also published "A Three-Pronged Approach for Teaching Psychology Students to Understand and Avoid Plagiarism" in *Teaching of Psychology*, Aug. 22, 2022.



# ***BOOKS AND FILM REVIEWS***

## ART & ART HISTORY

### **Thomas Noble Howe**

Reviewed article about St. Andrew's Church in Kyiv, *Ukraine: An Appreciation*, by Myroslava Hartmond (Halushka), *Academia*, April 2022.

- Also reviewed two books for the *American Journal of Archaeology*: *Oplontis: Villa A ("of Poppaea") at Torre Annunziata, Italy, Volume 2: The Decorations: Painting, Stucco, Pavements, Sculptures*, edited by John R. Clarke and Nayla K. Muntasser; and *Archaeological Exploration of Sardis Report 7: The Temple of Artemis at Sardis*, by Fikret K. Yegül, January 2023.

## HISTORY

### **Melissa Byrnes**

"The Last Dreams of Empire," a review of Megan Brown's *The Seventh Member State: Algeria, France, and the European Community*, in *Tocqueville 21*, Feb. 21, 2023.

## MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE

### **John Ross**

Book reviews with the Mathematical Association of America: *Metric Spaces: A Companion to Analysis*, by Robert Magnus, Feb. 19, 2023; *Real Analysis: Foundations*, by Sergei Ovchinnikov, Jan. 6, 2023; *The Calculus of Complex Functions*, by William Johnston, Oct. 2, 2022; *Calculus Set Free*, by C. Bryan Dawson, Aug. 1, 2022; *Mastering Calculus through Practice*, Bárbara de Holanda Maia Teixeira and Edmundo Capelas de Oliveira, June 20, 2022; *Welcome to Real Analysis*, by Benjamin Kennedy, May 23, 2022.

## POLITICAL SCIENCE

### **Emily Sydnor**

Book review of *What Goes Without Saying: Navigating Political Discussion in America*, by Taylor N. Carlson and Jaime E. Settle, in *Public Opinion Quarterly*, Feb. 17, 2023.

# CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

## ART & ART HISTORY

### Allison Miller

Associate Professor Miller delivered a talk in Chinese, “Painted Bronzes of the Qin and Han: Materials, Decorative Techniques, and Value,” on June 11, 2022, at the virtual conference “Making Artifacts by Modeling Images,” hosted by the Chinese National Academy of Arts in Beijing. Miller presented on a panel titled “Craft and Form.”

## BIOLOGY

### Jennie DeMarco

Assistant Professor DeMarco presented “Evaluating the Carbon Sequestration Potential and Drought Resilience with Wet Meadow Restoration under a Changing Climate” at the High Altitude Revegetation Committee and Society for Ecological Restoration–Rocky Mountains Chapter 2022 Conference April 13–14, 2022, in Fort Collins, Colorado.

- DeMarco also presented “From Transect to Landscape: Evaluating the Role of Wet Meadow Restoration in Climate Change Mitigation and Resilience” at the Baylor University Department of Biology Seminar on Sept. 23, 2022.

### Kim McArthur

Assistant Professor McArthur delivered a virtual presentation, “Rethinking Traditional Grading, Working Towards Equity,” to the Union College (Schenectady, N.Y.) faculty on March 22, 2022.



## BIOLOGY

### Romi Burks

Professor Burks presented “Making the Word Chocolate Mean More to Everyone” at the first edition of the Latin American International Festival of Chocolate and Cocoa in Porto, Portugal, on Oct. 22, 2022. Burks also participated as an invited judge for filled chocolates at The Academy of Chocolate awards in London.

- Burks also gave a number of off-campus presentations in February 2023 about her research on apple snails and environmental DNA and also her passion and philosophy of teaching through chocolate. The chocolate events occurred in person at the Rockport (Texas) Center for the Arts and at Westwood High School in Austin. The Science Stories Podcast was carried live on community radio station KZSM with Mateo Garcia, a postdoctoral researcher at Texas State.

**Maha Zewail-Foote**

Professor Zewail-Foote presented a talk at the 2023 American Chemical Society national meeting, Division of Chemical Education, focusing on developing and implementing an undergraduate research-based laboratory course that promotes inclusion and belonging through mentorship and peer-to-peer learning.

- Addressed the 2023 American Chemical Society national meeting in the Division of Biological Chemistry's session on Emerging Areas and New Methods in Biological Chemistry. Her talk was titled "Impact of oxidative damage on H-DNA-induced genetic instability." March 2023.

**Carmen Velez, Dilani Koswatta**

Director of Organic Chemistry Labs Velez and Director of General Chemistry Labs Koswatta attended the 2022 Biennial Conference on Chemical Education July 31–August 4, 2022, at Purdue University. Velez presented her research titled "Culturally Relevant and Socially Responsible Design of Organic Chemistry Laboratory Curriculum."

**Jeffrey Easton**

Visiting Assistant Professor Easton presented a paper in a panel on the permutations of Roman political power at the annual meeting of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South, March 23–26, 2022, in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

- Presented the paper, "What's in a Name: The Ferrarii and Roman occupational associations in the Bay of Baratti and Central and Southern Spain," at the joint Society for Classical Studies/ Archaeological Institute of America Annual Meeting in New Orleans. January 2023.

**Lamiyah Bahrainwala**

Assistant Professor Bahrainwala delivered guest lectures: "Potty Politics," to honors undergraduates at the University of Texas at Austin; and "Feminist Collaboration," presented to a feminist organizing graduate seminar at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities. Bahrainwala also:

- With Brenda Sendejo (Feminist Studies), organized and presented at a roundtable, "Reflections on Radical Love, Care, and Consent: How Anzaldúa Informs Our Liberatory Praxis," at the El Mundo Zurdo conference for the Society for the Study of Gloria Anzaldúa at UT San Antonio Nov. 4–5, 2022. Bahrainwala presented "Pandemic Lessons: Consent as anti-Racism." December 2022.
- With Alicia Moore (Education) spoke on the topic of talking to children about race during a parent-education panel for Child's Day, a child development center in Austin, in August 2022.
- Gave a virtual talk at Arizona State in the graduate seminar Rhetorical Methods. Students read two of Bahrainwala's publications on equity work in the academy, and her talk focused on the role of the critic in rhetorical criticism and maintaining energy while doing the difficult labor of critiquing inequitable structures. December 2022.
- Gave a virtual talk at the University of Nevada, Reno, in an undergraduate seminar on New Media. The talk focused on feminist surveillance studies and surveillance ecosystems in public spaces built for children. December 2022.

**Raquel Moreira**

Assistant Professor Moreira presented the following papers at the 2022 National Communication Association Annual Convention in New Orleans, Nov. 17–20, 2022: "Mestiçagem and Racial spatiality in Anitta's 'Girl from Rio,'" co-planned with Bryce Henderson (Texas A&M); "Dragging White Femininity: Pabllo Vittar's Performances of Gender and Race on Instagram;" "Communication Needs Transfeminismo: How a Brazilian Political and Epistemological Movement Can Help Decolonize Our Discipline," presented in Portuguese. Moreira also participated in five panels.

**Valerie Renegar**

Professor Renegar presented "Jill Biden, Resistance, and Stepmothering: Resilience in the Neoliberal Landscape" at the Southern States Communication Association Annual Convention in Greenville, South Carolina, in April 2022. She also participated in a panel focused on student accessibility and increasing diversity in online teaching.

**Chandrayee Chatterjee**

Assistant Professor Chatterjee presented her paper "Impact of the Nature and Timing of Affirmative Action: Evidence from a Laboratory Experiment" at the 2023 Annual Conference of the Eastern Economic Association in New York City Feb. 23–26.

**Raji Kunapuli**

Assistant Professor Kunapuli presented the paper "Effect of IPO communication on types of institutional investors" at the JMS Publishing Workshop, organized by the Journal of Management Studies at the Florida International University, Miami, Fla., February 2023.

**Debika Sihi**

Associate Professor Sihi presented "Have We Reached a Privacy Plateau? Consumers' Evolving Privacy Concerns and Their Alignment with Increased State Regulations" at the Association of Collegiate Marketing Educators Annual Conference on March 6-11, 2023, in Houston.

- Sihi also presented "Integrating Analytics in Courses and Curriculums" at the Marketing Management Association Conference, San Antonio, Sept. 21–23, 2022.

**Michael Kamen**

Associate Professor Kamen, with Tugce Arda Tuncdemir of Lock Haven University, presented a workshop, "Performance, Play, and Script Writing in College Classes for Preservice Teachers," at the Association for the Study of Play Online Conference in May 2022. Kamen also:

- Presented "Bottom Up Professional Development for WILD Facilitators with the Lesson Study Model" at the virtual 2022 Texas Project WILD Facilitator Forum, July 21–22, 2022.

- Presented, with Associate Professor **Alicia Moore**, "New Kids in the Blocks: Pedagogical Models of Play for Social Justice," at the International Play Association-USA Annual Conference in San Antonio, Oct. 6-9, 2022.
- Presented a pedagogical workshop with Assistant Professor Debra Plowman (A&M Corpus Christi) at the International Consortium for Research in Science and Mathematics Education in Panama. March 2023.

**Alicia Moore**

Associate Professor Moore, with Assistant Professor Bahrainwala (Comm Studies), spoke on the topic of talking to children about race during a parent-education panel for Child's Day, a child development center in Austin, in August 2022.

- Moore also presented, with Associate Professor **Michael Kamen**, "New Kids in the Blocks: Pedagogical Models of Play for Social Justice," at the International Play Association-USA Annual Conference in San Antonio on Oct. 6-9, 2022.

**Raquel Sáenz Ortiz**

Assistant Professor Sáenz Ortiz led a workshop, "Forum Theatre as a Community Tool in Shaping Liberatory Educators," at the 2022 International Pedagogy and Theatre of the Oppressed Conference, May 26–29, 2022, in Chicago.

- Presented a paper, "Reimagining Spaces of Learning for Youth of Color: A Model of Emancipatory Pedagogy," at the 2022 American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting, held April 21–26, 2022, in San Diego.

**Eileen Cleere**

Professor Cleere presented a paper, “The Stratified Family Story: Dinah Mulock Craik’s *The Head of the Family* (1852) and the Problem of Pedophilia,” at the 2022 Interdisciplinary Nineteenth-Century Studies (INCS) Annual Conference, March 24–27 in Salt Lake City.

**Rebecca Evans**

Assistant Professor Evans participated in the symposium, “The Aesthetics of Infrastructure/The Infrastructure of Aesthetics,” at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, April 21–22, 2022.

**Michael Saenger**

Professor Saenger delivered a talk, “Addressing Challenges in the Humanities & Social Sciences: Toward a Better Understanding & Use of Key Terms in Combating BDS and Israel Delegitimization,” at the Academic Engagement Network’s Short Course in Miami on January 9, 2023. Saenger also:

- Was invited by Sapienza University in Rome to deliver a series of lectures, “Overt and Covert Multilingualism in Shakespeare and Jonson.” May 2023.
- Presented a paper for an international conference on “Multilingualism in Translation” at the Université Paris Nanterre and served on the Advisory Board. April 2023.

**Laura Skandera Trombley**

Southwestern President and Professor Trombley served the Annapolis Group of Liberal Arts Colleges as a President’s Roundtable leader on the topic: Behind the Curtain: Mutual Trust & Board Relationships.

**Joshua Long**

Professor Long delivered the opening paper in an eight-session panel on climate coloniality at

the American Association of Geographers Annual Conference in Denver, Colorado. The paper was titled: “Climate Justice or Climate Apartheid: Interrogating Three Trajectories of Climate Colonialism.” April 2023.

**Brenda Sendejo**

Associate Professor Sendejo presented the paper “The Chicana Movement in Austin: A Legacy of Activism, Feminism, and Intergenerational Encuentros” as part of Mexic-Arte Museum’s *Chicano/a Art Movimiento y Más en Austen, Tejas 1960s to 1980s* exhibit and lecture series. Sendejo also:

- Presented the paper “The Spirit Work of bell hooks and Gloria Anzaldúa: Lessons on Radical Love as Resistance,” at the National Women’s Studies Association annual meeting in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Nov. 10-13, 2022.
- With Assistant Professor Lamayah Bahrainwala (Communication Studies) organized and presented at a roundtable, “Reflections on Radical Love, Care, and Consent: How Anzaldúa Informs Our Liberatory Praxis,” at the El Mundo Zurdo conference for the Society for the Study of Gloria Anzaldúa at the University of Texas at San Antonio Nov. 4-5, 2022. Sendejo presented “Movidias of Healing: The Spirit Work of Movement Era Chicanas.” December 2022.

**Jethro Hernández Berrones**

Associate Professor Hernández Berrones was lecturer and discussant to the inquiry immersion elective course, “Decolonization within the Health Sciences,” at the University of California, San Francisco. Gave a virtual talk, “Colonial Legacies in the Mexican Pharmaceutical Industry: The Instituto Médico Nacional (1888-1905) and the Exploration of Medicinal Plants,” to medical students and guided a discussion about how to dismantle those legacies. Hernández Berrones also:

- Participated in the seminar “History and Historiography of Sciences and Technologies,” and responded to and commented on the presentation “The Spectacular Generic: Pharmaceuticals and the Simipolitical in Mexico,” by Cori Hayden. The seminar was broadcast on YouTube and Facebook. December 2022.
- Served as inaugural lecturer of the First-Year Experience lecture series at St. Mary’s University in San Antonio on October 12, 2022.

**Melissa Byrnes**

Associate Professor Byrnes presented the paper “Securing Thresholds: Housing, Family Size, and Alleged Delinquency” at the Western Society for French History Annual Conference in Victoria, British Columbia, on Nov. 4, 2022.

- Byrnes also presented “Activist Echoes: Connecting French Anti-Salazarism to Opposition to the Algerian War,” at a panel on “Leftist Expertise” during the joint Society for French Historical Studies and Western Society for French History conference in Detroit in March 2023. She also moderated a discussion with three authors on their new books about youth activism, anti-imperialism, and radical politics in the Francophone world.

**Soojung Han** ▶

Assistant Professor Han presented the paper, “The Newly Integrated Empire: Liao Taizong’s Rule over the Middle Kingdom,” at the Kitan Network Annual Symposium 2023, hosted by Waseda University and The Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Han also:

- Presented the paper, “An Integrated Empire: The “Great Liao” in the Tenth Century,” at the 233rd Meeting of the American Oriental Society in Los Angeles, March 10–13, 2023.
- Served as chair and discussant in the panel, “Revisiting the Jin from Digital, Political, Geocultural, and Long-Term Perspectives,” at the Association for Asian Studies (AAS) 2023 annual meeting in Boston.

**Jessica Hower**

Associate Professor Hower organized the Britain and the World 2022 Conference at the University of Plymouth in England, June 14–17, 2022, which welcomed nearly 150 interdisciplinary scholars. Hower presented a paper, “Patrons of Empire: Mary I, Philip II, and the Broadening British World, 1553–1558,” based on her latest book project; took part in a delayed launch for her 2020 monograph, *Tudor Empire*; and chaired two sessions. Hower also:

- Presented a paper, “An Empire of Itself: Constructing and Contesting Imperial Kingship in the Early Modern World,” at the 2022 Kings & Queens Conference June 29–July 2 via hybrid format at Nantes University in France.
- Presented the paper “‘Sole Hope of Caesar’s Side’: Humanism and History in the Reign of Mary I and Philip II,” at the Northeast Conference on British Studies annual gathering at Bates College and online Oct. 21-23, 2022.

**Joseph Hower**

Assistant Professor Hower presented a paper, “The Municipal Doomsday Machinist? Ralph de Toledano and the Popularization of Public Sector Union Critiques in Postwar America,” to the DC Labor History Seminar Series on Jan. 13, 2023.

**Erika Berroth**

Associate Professor Berroth presented “Ausgewählte Texte aus Lyrik, Essays, und Romanen von Marica

Bodrožić mit Kritischen Perspektiven aus den Umweltgeisteswissenschaften,” at the virtual conference of the Association for Intercultural German Studies at the University of Zadar in Croatia, April 19–22, 2022. Berroth also:

- Presented a webinar, “Pragmatic Program-Building Blocks for Small German Programs,” for the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages Special Interest Group on Small Undergraduate German Programs, May 4, 2022.
- Presented the paper “Bilderbuch-Didaktik: Das Potential Anspruchsvoller Bilderbücher für Literarästhetisches und Sprachliches Lernen im Diversitätsorientierten Unterricht,” at the International Conference of Teachers of German August 15–20, 2022, in Vienna, Austria.
- Delivered a presentation on her experience and expertise in using transparency in teaching and learning (TILT) methodology at the Associated Colleges of the South Working Group: Inclusive Assessment Practices for Flexibility, Rigor, and Equity in the summer of 2022.
- Participated in a three-day seminar, “The Medical Humanities in German Studies,” at the 46th Annual Conference of the German Studies Association, Sept. 15–18, 2022, in Houston.
- Delivered the keynote address, “Honoring Multilingualism and Linguistic Diversity as Ways of Belonging,” at the 54th annual conference of the Tennessee World Language Teaching Association in Franklin, Tenn., Nov. 4–5, 2022.
- Presented a webinar for the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages Special Interest Group on Small Undergraduate German Programs. May 2022.

### Abby Dings

Associate Professor Dings, with coauthor Tammy Jandrey Hertel of the University of Lynchburg, presented “Heritage Spanish Speakers’ Reflections on Their Study Abroad Experiences,” at the Heritage Languages Special Interest Group panel of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages Annual Convention and World Languages Expo Nov. 18-20, 2022 in Boston.

### Katy Ross

Professor Ross presented the paper “*La Adopción Internacional en La Adopción de Daniela Féjerman*” at the Asociación Internacional de Literatura y Cine Españoles Siglo XXI annual conference, July 12–15, 2022 in Oviedo, Spain.

## Southwestern Mathematicians Represent in Boston

Four Mathematics & Computer Science faculty and a student joined more than five thousand mathematicians at the largest math gathering in the world, Joint Mathematics Meetings, in Boston, Mass., January 4–7, 2023. Assistant Professor **John Ross** presented “Isoperimetric solutions to a 1-dimensional problem within regions and log-concave density” in the AMS Contributed Paper Session; Professor **Fumiko Futamura** co-led a four-hour Professional Enhancement Program, “Visualizing Projective Geometry Through Photographs and Perspective Drawings;” Professor **Alison Marr** presented “Distance Magic Labelings of Directed Graphs” in the AMS Special Session on The Enhancing Diversity in Graduate Education Program; and Associate Professor **Therese Shelton** presented “Cars, Competition, and Cholera” in the AMS Special Session on Stimulating Student Engagement in Differential Equations through Modeling Activities. **Oliver Johnson** ’24 presented “Perspective Analysis of Van Eyck’s Arnolfini Portrait” in the PME Contributed Session on Research by Undergraduates. His research was supervised by Futamura.

### MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE

#### Fumiko Futamura

Professor Futamura delivered a talk, “Curious Invariants in Projective Geometry, and Where to Find Them in Art and Music,” at the Rice University Undergraduate Colloquium in Houston on April 5, 2022.

#### John Ross

Assistant Professor Ross presented “An n-bubble Result on a Dense Number Line,” at the Texas MAA meeting March 31–April 2, 2022.

- Presented “The Isoperimetric Problem on the Number Line with a Log-Concave Density” at MathFest, a conference hosted by the Mathematical Association of America, August 3–6, 2022, in Philadelphia.

## Noelle Sawyer

Assistant Professor Sawyer delivered the talk “Abstracting People out of Mathematics” at the University of Toronto’s Department of Mathematics Equity Forum on Oct. 20, 2022. Sawyer also:

- Gave the talk “Geodesic Currents and the Boundary at Infinity” in the Geometry Seminar at George Mason University on Nov. 14, 2022.
- Delivered two invited talks, “Unique Equilibrium States for Geodesic Flows on Translation Surfaces: at a conference called “A Dynamical Weekend at Wesleyan” on March 4, 2023, and at the University of Houston’s Dynamics Seminar on March 9, 2023.
- Was the invited faculty speaker at the Underrepresented Students in Topology and Algebra Research Symposium (USTARS) on March 18-19, 2023. She gave a presentation called “Rigidity in Math and Mathematicians,” covering her work in marked length spectrum rigidity and the rigidity mathematicians force upon each other to conform to the field’s norms.
- Gave an invited talk at Columbia University’s Geometry seminar on April 7, 2023, titled “The Boundary at Infinity and Geodesic Currents.”
- Gave an invited talk at Columbia University’s Undergraduate Colloquium on April 6, 2023, titled “Walking in Loops to Figure out Distances.”

### MUSIC

## Michael Cooper

Professor Cooper helped organize the world premiere of Florence B. Price’s choral/orchestral work “Song of Hope” at Ithaca College and participated in a pre-concert panel discussion on the piece and its significance. Cooper also:

- Was interviewed on historian Pamela Toler’s blog, *History in the Margins*, about his work in excavating and bringing back into public life the music of Florence B. Price and Margaret Bonds.
- Presented “The Prophecies Fulfilled: Margaret Bonds and the Sacred Social Work of *The Montgomery Variations* and the Du Bois *Credo*,” at Georgetown University. The presentation was followed the next day by a pre-concert lecture for the first performance since 1973 of the orchestral version of the Bonds/Du Bois *Credo* and Bonds’s orchestral magnum opus, *The Montgomery Variations*.
- Was a guest musicologist for a two-day Florence Price Festival at Bowling Green State University. In addition to meeting with musicology and other music students, Cooper delivered two lectures: “Hear Her Voice: On Knowing Florence Price, Pianist, Today,” and “With Love, Devotion to the

Negro Race and Humanity...’: Margaret Bonds and the Social Work of *The Montgomery Variations*.”

- Delivered a public pre-concert lecture, “FLEX: The Life, Death, and Resurrection of Margaret Bonds and Her Credo,” at the University of Missouri–Kansas City Conservatory on the occasion of a performance of the Margaret Bonds/Du Bois *Credo* by the conservatory’s combined choirs and orchestra in the Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts.
- Gave a virtual presentation, “Freedom, Justice, and Jazz: An American Odyssey,” for the New Horizons International Music Association in May 2022.
- Gave a virtual lecture, “So Now We Are Ambassadors’: The Common Ground between Mendelssohn and Wagner as Representatives of German Culture to England,” for the conference Mendelssohn und Wagner: Zwei Leitfiguren der Leipziger Musikgeschichte, hosted by the University of Leipzig, July 2022.
- Delivered a talk, “The Africans, Who Are a Part of My Ancestry, Say . . .’: Voices of Heritage in the Credo and Spirituals of Margaret Bonds,” for the 2022 University of Arizona Choral Studies Distinguished Speakers Series.
- Presented “A Ghost No More: On a Prize-Winning Song by Margaret Bonds No Longer Lost,” at the 25th-anniversary conference of the African American Art Song Alliance at the University of California, Irvine, Oct. 13–16, 2022.

## Southwestern Faculty Present at AAC&U Diversity Conference

Professor of Biochemistry **Maha Zewail-Foote**, Associate Professor of Education **Alicia Moore**, and Professor of Political Science **Alisa Gaunder** co-presented a virtual session for the Association for American Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) 2023 Conference on Diversity, Equity and Student Success. The presentation, “Cross-Institutional CONNECTIONs: Mentorship, Truth, Belonging, and Retention,” provided an overview of Southwestern’s ACS-funded FOC CONNECT project, which seeks to dismantle barriers to success experienced by early-career faculty of color (FOC) and supports a cross-institutional faculty mentoring program that connects these scholars with senior faculty of color from other ACS institutions.

**Jorge Lizarzaburu**

Assistant Professor Lizarzaburu presented at the American Association of Philosophy national conference, Pacific Division, in Vancouver, Canada, in 2022.

- Lizarzaburu also presented at an event organized by the Faculty of Sciences at the Universidad Autónoma de México (UNAM) with the support of the Society for the Study of Evolution and the International Society for the History, Philosophy, and Social Studies of Biology.

## POLITICAL SCIENCE

**Katharine Aha**

Visiting Assistant Professor Aha presented a paper, "Diverse Yet Durable? Interethnic Coalitions and Government Formation," as part of a panel on government formation, stability, and responsiveness at the 2022 European Political Science Association Annual Conference, June 23–25, 2022 in Prague, Czech Republic.

**Alisa Gaunder**

Professor Gaunder presented a paper, "Leadership in Crisis: Comparing Prime Minister Abe's and Chancellor Merkel's Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic," with coauthor Sarah Wiliarty of Wesleyan University at the 28th International Conference of Europeanists, June 29–July 1, 2022, in Lisbon, Portugal.

- Gaunder also participated on a panel, "Fostering Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Faculty Evaluation Processes," at the 2023 American

Association of Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) annual meeting in San Francisco, Jan. 18-20, 2023. The panel included deans and faculty development and assessment professionals from Furman, Rhodes, Rollins, and Southwestern.

**Eric Selbin**

Professor Selbin presented the paper "Revolution as Idea and Practice Today," chaired a session titled "Reactions to Collective Actions," and served as a discussant for the panel "Constructing and Displaying Collective Identities," at the "Critical Margins. Politicizing the Crisis" conference June 15–17, 2022 in Trento, Italy.

- Selbin also participated in a virtual roundtable, "Ideology and Authoritarian Resilience in the Global South," at the 2022 Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference, May 30–June 3.

**Emily Sydnor**

Associate Professor Sydnor presented "Uncivil Boundaries: Contesting the Civility of Protestors and Political Elites" at the 2022 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting & Exhibition on Sept. 15–18 in Montreal, Canada. She also served as a panel chair and discussant for several papers on incivility in American politics.

- Sydnor and Sr. Director of Integrative and Community-Engaged Learning **Sarah Brackmann** co-presented at AACU's Annual Meeting. Their presentation, "Building a Campus-Wide Integrated Voter Engagement Effort," highlighted Southwestern's success in building and institutionalizing a voter registration, education, and engagement program that spans the student experience.



## THEATRE

**Gabriel Peña**

Assistant Professor of Theatre **Gabriel Peña** presented a workshop, "Sensing Possibilities: Feldenkrais Method and its Potential Applications for Performers," at SETC (the Southeastern Theatre Conference) in Lexington, Kentucky, on March 3, 2023.

## PSYCHOLOGY

**Traci Giuliano**

Professor Giuliano participated at the 4th Annual College Readiness Symposium (Breaking Barriers, Growing Generations) sponsored by the Austin ISD and held at St. Edward's University on Feb 11, 2023. Dr. Giuliano gave two sessions of a presentation called "A Professor's Tips for Succeeding in College."

- Giuliano also delivered a Guest Expert Webinar, "Lessons Learned from Two Decades of Publishing with Undergraduates," for the National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity.

## SOCIOLOGY &amp; ANTHROPOLOGY

**Melissa Johnson**

Professor Johnson presented "Feeling Climate Change in the Unruly Environment of Central Belize" for the roundtable "How Does Climate Change Feel? (Re)Thinking Cultural Embodied Responses To Environmental Precarity," at the 2022 annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Nov. 9-13, 2022 in Seattle.

**Sandi Nenga**

Professor Nenga presented the paper "When Six Feet Feels Like Six Miles: Children's Images of Their Lives During the Pandemic," at the Southern Sociological Society's Annual Meeting April 6–9, 2022, in Birmingham, Alabama. **Hannah Mitchell '22** also presented her capstone paper, "Praise on the Stage and Criticism in Class: Understanding Relationships Between Students and Their Instructors in Competitive Irish Dance Studios."

## THEATRE

**Sergio Costola**

Associate Professor Costola presented the paper "The Battle of Polesella (1509). Diplomatic Relations and the Performing Arts" at the 10th Splendid Encounters Conference, Beyond the Truth. Misinformation and Credibility in Early Modern Diplomacy, Florence, Italy, Oct. 12-14, 2022.

- Costola also presented the paper "Lucrezia Borgia and Theatrical Practice of Women in Elite Society" at the conference "Memory and Performance: Classical Reception in Early Modern Festivals," Parma, Italy, Oct. 13-14, 2022.

# AWARDS, HONORS, AND APPOINTMENTS

## ART & ART HISTORY

### Ana Esteve Llorens

Visiting Assistant Professor Esteve Llorens was awarded the Grupo Radio Gandia Prize, in its 12th Edition, in the art category. This annual event recognizes the work and contributions of people, entities, groups, or companies from Valencia, Spain, from different professional fields.

## CLASSICS

### Jeffrey Easton

Visiting Assistant Professor Easton was appointed to the Ladislaus J. Bolchazy Pedagogy Book Award Subcommittee of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South. Each year the subcommittee selects the recipient of the award, which recognizes a distinguished new book on classroom instruction in classical languages and culture.

## COMMUNICATION STUDIES

### Lamiyah Bahrainwala

Assistant Professor Bahrainwala received the 2022 Fellows' Early Career Award from the Rhetoric Society of America. The annual award is presented to a scholar who has contributed significant, innovative, boundary-expanding research to the discipline.

- Received a Distinguished Scholarship Award for Top Article from the International and Intercultural Communication Division.
- Bahrainwala also received a Distinguished Scholarship Award for Top Article from the International and Intercultural Communication Division at the National Communication Association Convention in New Orleans on Nov. 16–19, 2022.

### Raquel Moreira

Assistant Professor Moreira received the 2022 International and Intercultural Communication Division's Distinguished Scholarship Award for Best Book for *Bitches Unleashed: Performance and Embodied Politics in Favela Funk* at the 2022 National Communication Association (NCA) Annual Convention in New Orleans, November 2022. *Bitches Unleashed* also received the Innovator Award for Outstanding Book from the Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Caucus from the Central States Communication Association.

- Moreira also received, with coauthors Raisa Alvarado (CSU-San Bernardino) and Carlos Flores (CSU-Sacramento), the Top Paper Award from the Media Studies Interest Group of the Western States Communication Association for the essay "Working for the Miracle: A Critical Visual Analysis of Disney's Encanto." February 2023.

## ECONOMICS & BUSINESS

### Debika Sihi

Associate Professor Sihi was named one of three finalists in the Marketing Management Association's (MMA's) Teaching Innovation Competition at the 2022 MMA Fall Educators' Conference on Sept. 21–23, 2022, in San Antonio. She also chaired a panel on adapting the existing curriculum to include more data-driven projects/cases.

## EDUCATION

### Michael Kamen

Professor Kamen has been elected to the Board of Directors of The Association for the Study of Play (TASP).

## ENGLISH

### Eileen Cleere

Professor Cleere has been promoted to first vice president of Interdisciplinary Nineteenth-Century Studies (INCS), an international group of scholars dedicated to interdisciplinary discussion and research.



## LANGUAGES, LITERATURES, AND CULTURES

### Laura Senio Blair

Professor Blair was selected in 2023 as one of the Associated Colleges of the South (ACS) ten academic leadership fellows. The program is aimed at providing leadership experiences to a diverse cohort of humanities faculty members and will combine leadership training, mentoring, and hands-on leadership experiences for a diverse group of tenured humanities faculty as they enter administration leadership.

## FEMINIST STUDIES

### Brenda Sendejo

Associate Professor Sendejo was elected chair of Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social (MALCS), a professional organization for self-identified Chicana, Latina, Native American/indígena mujeres and gender nonconforming academics, students, and activists. Sendejo co-chaired the program committee for the MALCS 2022 Summer Institute July 27–30, 2022, in Fort Collins, Colorado. Sendejo will co-chair the MALCS 2024 Summer Institute, a historic conference commemorating the organization's 40th anniversary, in July 2024 at UC Davis.

- Sendejo was also invited to participate as a faculty mentor in the Crossing Latinidades Humanities Research Initiative funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. Crossing Latinidades engages cross-institutional and cross-regional comparative research, training



doctoral students, and new scholarship in emerging areas of inquiry about Latinos. The initiative serves as the anchor of the consortium of R1 Hispanic Serving Institutions at the University of Illinois at Chicago. April 2023.

#### KINESIOLOGY

##### Scott McLean

Professor McLean received the Distinguished Leadership Award for Undergraduate Institutions at the Annual Meeting of the American Kinesiology Association in San Diego, January 26-28, 2023.

##### Jennifer Stokes

Assistant Professor Stokes received the 2022 Early Career Award in Education Research at the APS Teaching Section Banquet, presented during the American Physiological Society's Experimental Biology conference April 1–5, 2022, in Philadelphia.

#### MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE

##### Alison Marr

Professor Marr received the 2023 Ron Barnes Distinguished Service to Students Award, given in recognition of faculty who have distinguished themselves through service and support of undergraduate students within the Texas Section, at the 2023 Meeting of the Texas Section of the Mathematical Association of America, March 24-26 in Stephenville, Texas.

##### Jacob Schrum

Associate Professor Schrum and the Texas Alpha chapter of Alpha Chi National College Honor Society were awarded the prestigious designation of Notable Chapter for the 2021–2022 academic year. This award acknowledges Schrum and Texas Alpha's high level of involvement and Southwestern's commitment to and support for Alpha Chi's high academic standards and their mission to make scholarship effective for good.

##### Therese Shelton

Associate Professor Shelton received the 2023 Distinguished Service Award in recognition of faculty who have demonstrated exceptional service to the Texas Section at the 2023 Meeting of the Texas Section of the Mathematical Association of America, March 24-26, in Stephenville, Texas.

#### MUSIC

##### Hai Zheng Olefsky

Part-Time Assistant Professor of Music and concert cellist Olefsky was invited to be an adjudicator for a Nov. 12, 2022, strings-cello audition for All-State Orchestra by the Texas Music Educators Association. Three of her students won Cello Audition in the 2022–2023 Texas All-State Symphony, Philharmonic, and Sinfonietta Orchestras, and two of her students from St. Stephen's School won cello auditions for the Texas Private School Music Educator Association (TPSMEA) 2022–2023 All-State Orchestra.

#### THEATRE

##### Yesenia Garcia Herrington

Part-time Instructor of Theatre **Yesenia Garcia Herrington '03** was selected to join the second annual tuition-free program, "Commercial Theatre Producing 101," sponsored by Theatre Producers of Color, based out of New York City. The competitive 10-week program provides education, training, and mentorship to aspiring BIPOC producers.

# COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

#### ENGLISH / OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

##### Laura Skandera Trombley

Southwestern President and Professor Trombley served as an Association of Governing Boards of Universities consultant to Chapman University, which is located in Orange, California.

#### FEMINIST STUDIES

##### Brenda Sendejo

Associate Professor Sendejo continued her long-standing relationship with Alma de Mujer Center for Social Change in Austin by taking her Latinx Spiritualities and Chicana Feminisms students to the center. Students contributed to the center's garden and learned about the history of Indigenous and Chicanx spiritual activism, feminism, and environmental justice. Sendejo and student researchers will incorporate testimonials and the history of Alma de Mujer on the Latina History Project digital history project website, showing the immense impact of experiential learning.

#### HISTORY

##### Joseph Hower

Assistant Professor Hower moderated a conversation with Peniel E. Joseph (UT Austin) at Lark & Owl Booksellers in Georgetown on Joseph's new book, *The Third Reconstruction: America's Struggle Racial Justice in the Twenty-First Century*. September 2022.

#### LANGUAGES, LITERATURES, AND CULTURES

##### Erika Berroth

Associate Professor Berroth hosted the annual fall meeting of the South Texas Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of German on Sept. 24, 2022, at Southwestern. **Jennifer Christianson '99** and current adjunct faculty member in Southwestern's German Program **Erin Osterhaus '09** participated in the workshop.

- Berroth also served as a judge at the Texas State German Contest on Feb. 25, 2023, at Texas State University in San Marcos. The high school competition brought together more than 1,000 high school students and their teachers from around Texas.

#### PSYCHOLOGY

##### Traci Giuliano

Professor Giuliano gave a webinar, "Lessons Learned from Two Decades of Publishing with Undergraduates," for the National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity (NCFDD) in March 2023.

- Giuliano also gave the presentation "A Professor's Tips for Succeeding in College" at Austin's AVID/GEAR UP Symposium on college readiness for underrepresented high school students. February 2023.

#### THEATRE

##### Amy Rebecca King

Visiting Assistant Professor King organized a panel titled "Mixed-Asian Casting" for the 2022 Association for Theatre in Higher Education Annual Conference on July 28–31 in Detroit. King, along with her colleagues Reiko Aylesworth (Southern Methodist University) and Robert Torigoe (University of Hawaii), gathered interviews with actor Amy Hill, casting director Victor Vazquez, and editor-in-chief of Mixed Asian Media Alex Chester and explored the experiences of mixed-Asian actors, as well as the difficulties of casting according to race in film/TV, theater, and media.

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## ***EXHIBITIONS, PRODUCTIONS, OR PERFORMANCES***



### ART & ART HISTORY

#### **Ana Esteve Llorens**

Visiting Assistant Professor Esteve Llorens presented an exhibition of new work at Holly Johnson Gallery in Dallas, Texas, from May 21 to August 6. The exhibition, *Possibility of Line*, featured woven textiles created over the past two years. Esteve Llorens also:

- Presented a new sculptural installation at Women & Their Work in Austin, Texas, from June 4 to August 4, 2022. The piece, titled “Measuring Device,” is a structure fabricated mainly of steel combined with other materials, including cotton, rope, and wood.
- Exhibited work at the international art fair BAD+ 2022 July 7–10 in Bordeaux, France. Organized by Set Espai d’Art Gallery, the exhibition featured the work of three artists. Two of Esteven Llorens’s sculptures and one installation were included.
- Presented a 2023 exhibition of new work at Set Espai d’Art Gallery in Valencia, Spain. The project, *Paisaje*, extends Esteve Llorens’s research on “Spatial Weavings.”
- Exhibited work at the international art fair Estampa 2022, Oct. 13–16 in Madrid, Spain. Organized by Set Espai d’Art Gallery, the exhibition was a reflection on contemporary geometry and abstraction.

#### **Thomas Howe**

Professor Howe attended the opening of a major new exhibition of Roman painting at the San Antonio Museum of Art, “Roman Landscapes: Visions of Nature and Myth from Rome and Pompeii,” on February 23, 2023. Howe was part of the technical advisory committee, and several frescoes from his archaeological site of the Roman villas of Stabiae were included in the exhibit.

### COMMUNICATION STUDIES

#### **Bob Bednar**

Professor Bednar was interviewed for *The Taking*, a feature-length documentary film by Alexandre O. Phillipe about Monument Valley. The film explores how Monument Valley, located on the border of Arizona and Utah but also within the Navajo Nation, has repeatedly been made into a symbol of the white settler myth of the American West by filmmakers and other media producers while denying Navajo sovereignty and subjectivity.

### HISTORY

#### **Jethro Hernández Berrones**

Translations of medical reports and clinical histories by Associate Professor **Hernández Berrones** are part of the new “Advanced Topic: Reproductive Histories” section of the History of Science in Latin America and the Caribbean (HOSLAC) archive hosted by the University of New Hampshire.

### MUSIC

#### **Katherine Altobello**

Part-time Instructor of Applied Music **Katherine Altobello** ‘99 was the mezzo-soprano soloist in Sergei Rachmaninoff’s “All Night Vigil” with the Texas Bach Festival, under the direction of Dr. Barry Williamson

on June 23 and 26, 2022, in Georgetown and Austin. The work consists of 15 movements with a capella chorus and soloists, sung in Church Slavonic/Russian.

#### **Bruce Cain and David Asbury**

Associate Professors Cain and Asbury performed at the Cheboygan Opera House in Cheboygan, Michigan, at the Heart of the Turtle Gathering in Mackinaw City, Michigan, and as part of the guest artist series at the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Charlevoix, Michigan, in May 2022. Cain and Asbury also:

- Released the second and third video recordings from the song cycle *De Amor y Desventura* written for the duo in 2017 by Julio César Oliva.
- Performed their program “Canciones por la Vida” as part of the guest artist series at Kalamazoo College on September 29, 2022.
- Made video recordings in June 2022 of works written for them. The video series includes a song from the *River of Words Song Cycle* entitled “Mariquita,” featuring music by Diego Vega and text by Yutzel Garcia, and “Atmósfera,” the first song from the cycle *Sobre La Naturaleza by Diego Luzuriaga*.
- Made video recordings of works by Federico Garcia Lorca, Jason Hoogerhyde, Diego Luzuriaga, and Eduardo Martin.

### Michael Cooper

Professor Cooper published three new editions of music by Margaret Bonds as part of Hildegard Publishing Company's Margaret Bonds Signature Series: the Afro-modernist "African Dance" for soprano, baritone, and piano (text by Langston Hughes); "Especially Do I Believe in the Negro Race" for soprano, chorus, and piano (the second movement of Bonds' setting of the W. E. B. Du Bois prose poem "Credo"); and, most significantly, *The Montgomery Variations*, a 23-minute orchestral work.

- Cooper also wrote the program notes for the Philadelphia Orchestra's November 2022 performance of both violin concertos by Florence B. Price.

### Adrienne Inglis

Part-time Instructor of Applied Music Inglis's composition "El Mar" (2020) for mixed chorus and piano was performed by the San Francisco State University Chamber Singers on May 6, 2022. Inglis also:

- Participated in "I Belong to You," a multimedia experience presented by Inversion Ensemble and featuring the world premiere of "Motherland/I Belong to You," an oratorio blending poetry, comic book illustration, and choral music, on June 25, 2022.
- Presented, with Shana Norton, "Most Importantly," a recital of music that explores the things that really matter, with soprano Maureen Broy Papovich and pianist Jeanne Dayton Sasaki. The recital's centerpiece was the premiere of the song cycle "Most Importantly, Loves" (2021) by Inglis. October 2, 2022, at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Austin.
- Premiered "Oure Light in Oure Night" (2020) for voices and nature soundtrack in Seattle on Dec. 1 and 7, 2022, by the University of Washington combined choirs and in San Francisco on Dec. 9 by the San Francisco State University choir. Portia Hansen and David Utterback premiered "Ma'iingan" for flute and piano at Southwestern, and on Jan. 21, 2023, Inversion Da Capo premiered "Julian's Hazelnut" for treble choir and clarinet.
- Premiered "Extinction," a choral setting, presented by Inversion Ensemble on Feb. 26, 2023.

### THEATRE

### Kerry Bechtel

Associate Professor Bechtel designed the costumes for a production of *The Sweet Delilah Swim Club* at Unity Theater in Brenham, Texas. Unity Theater is a professional theater located between Austin and Houston that brings together professional actors, directors, and designers from both cities. The production ran from June 2–19, 2022.



### THEATRE

### Desiderio Roybal

Professor Roybal designed *A Christmas Carol* for Penfold Theatre, which was presented at Old Settlers Hall in Round Rock Dec. 8–23, 2022. The production involved the design of a 1930s radio broadcast venue where five female actors represented all characters while also hand-operating Foley sound effects. The production ran at Old Settlers Hall December 8–18 before moving to the Driskill Hotel in Austin for a two-night run December 22 and 23.

### SU Music Faculty Shine in Credo Premiere

Music faculty and students came together for the Texas premiere of the choral/orchestral version of the Margaret Bonds/Du Bois *Credo* on Feb 25, 2023, in the Alma Thomas Theatre. Professor **Lois Ferrari**, Associate Professor of Music and Director of Choral Activities **Holly Dalrymple**, and Instructor of Applied Music **Chaz Nailor** collaborated with Austin-based soprano **Natalie Joy Howard**, the **Southwestern University Chorale**, and the **Austin Civic Orchestra** to give the Texas premiere of a work recovered, edited, and published by Professor of Music **Michael Cooper**. The performance was the first time many of the students had sung with an orchestra. The Chorale performed the *Credo* again the following April with Professor of **Bruce Cain** (baritone), Part-Time Assistant Professor of Applied Music **Julia Taylor** (soprano), and Cain again on piano for a second concert.

# ***PUBLIC COMMENTARY AND MEDIA COVERAGE***

## COMMUNICATION STUDIES

### **Raquel Moreira**

Assistant Professor Moreira was interviewed and quoted as an expert source for a *Los Angeles Times* profile featuring Brazilian pop star Anitta, who was set to perform at LA Pride 2022.

## ECONOMICS & BUSINESS

### **Debika Sihi**

"What Adventure will you Choose: New or Nostalgic?" (op-ed) published in *Adweek* on June 10, 2022.

- Associate Professor Sihi was also featured in a column about the use of virtual reality technology in education on the technology news and information website *Lifewire*.

## FEMINIST STUDIES

### **Brenda Sendejo**

Associate Professor Sendejo was interviewed by the *Texas Tribune* about the legacy of La Raza Unida Political Party (RUP) and women's participation in RUP during the Chicana/o movements. The article coincided with the 50th reunion of RUP in San Antonio in September 2022.

## HISTORY

### **Jessica Hower**

Associate Professor Hower recorded an episode for the "Not Just the Tudors" podcast hosted by Professor Suzannah Lipscomb. In the episode, Hower's co-author, Valerie Schutte, and Hower discussed their two-book edited collection, *Mary I in Writing* and *Writing Mary I*. "Not Just the Tudors" has been running since April 2021 and has had more than six million downloads.

- Hower also recorded an episode for the "Tudors Dynasty" podcast. In the episode, Hower's co-author, Valerie Schutte, and Hower discussed their two-book edited collection, and were featured in the final, culminating episode in a special series on Mary I.

## LANGUAGES, LITERATURES, AND CULTURES

### **Erika Berroth**

Associate Professor Erika Berroth visited with Anton Knittel, director of Literaturhaus Heilbronn in Germany, and contributed to the organization's podcast *Warum Kleist? (Why Kleist?)*, a collection of scholarly voices on the German poet and writer Heinrich von Kleist, who was the subject of one of Berroth's books. October 2022.

## MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE

### **Noelle Sawyer**

Assistant Professor Sawyer co-authored "A Call to Defend Bodily Autonomy in the Mathematics Community," an open letter that appeared in the *American Mathematical Society Notices* in March 2023. The letter asked mathematicians to sit with and act in response to recent anti-abortion and anti-trans legislation.

## MUSIC

### **Michael Cooper**

Professor Cooper was interviewed on the podcast "Her Music Academia," founded by Lydia Bangura, a music theory Ph.D. student at the University of Michigan. The episode's conversation retraces the long and winding trail of Cooper's work on Florence Price and Margaret Bonds.

## PHILOSOPHY

### **Phil Hopkins**

Professor Hopkins' work in developing training curricula for the Austin Police Department was featured in a *60 Minutes* episode that noted its innovative and largely unprecedented approach to training as well as institutional and political challenges.

## SOCIOLOGY & ANTHROPOLOGY

### **Melissa Johnson**

Professor Johnson gave a talk on her book, *Becoming Creole: Nature and Race in Belize*, to the community of Lemonal, Belize, and was invited to appear on a Belize Channel 7 News morning television show, *Sun Up on 7*, to discuss the book. February 2023.

- Johnson was interviewed about *Becoming Creole* on March 17, 2023, by students at Colorado College. The interview was published as part of the podcast series produced by the Hulbert Center for Southwest Studies.



## BIOLOGY

### **Jennie DeMarco**

Assistant Professor DeMarco's research on nature-based solutions for ski slope restoration was featured in the newspaper *Summit Daily*, which serves the Summit County, Colorado, area. The article highlighted the collaboration between Southwestern University, the Copper Mountain ski resort, and Peak Ecological Services, LLC.

# STAFF NOTABLES



## GRANTS

### **Megan Firestone** (Academic Affairs)

Head of Special Collections  
Firestone was awarded the Texas Library Association College and University Libraries Division stipend to support her attendance at the TALL Texans Leadership Development Institute.

## BOOK & FILM REVIEWS

### **Alexia Riggs** (Academic Affairs)

Riggs, director of the A. Frank Smith, Jr. Library Center, serves as a book reviewer for *Choice Magazine*. *Choice* is a publication focused on evaluating research for academic use. Two new reviews have been published, including “Ethics in Higher Education” and “Passing for Perfect” by Erin Khue Ninh.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & INVITED TALKS

### **Sarah Brackmann** (Academic Affairs)

Senior Director of Integrative and Community-Engaged Learning  
Brackmann co-presented “Community-Engaged Learning Is Better Together: What We Discovered Facilitating a Multi-Institutional CEL Community of Practice” with Sascha Goluboff (Washington & Lee University) at the AACU Annual Meeting. They shared lessons learned from a year-long community of practice focusing on community-engaged learning (CEL) across the Associated Colleges of the South (ACS).

### **Megan Firestone** (Academic Affairs)

Presented a session, “Digital Humanities for STEM Students: Interdisciplinary Discovery, Connecting Liberal Arts and Sciences,” at the STEM Librarians South 2022 Conference, held virtually July 28–29, 2022. Firestone also:

- Discussed the collection “Identifying Voters: The Persuasive Force

of Campaign Memorabilia” at the Texas Digital Library’s Digital Collections Summer Love-In, held virtually on July 27, 2022.

- Spoke at the Sept. 29, 2022, Texas State University Department of History Senior Seminar on a panel titled “What can I do with a History Degree?”
- Presented on the early history of the Georgetown branch of the American Association of University Women at a centennial event.

### **Alexia Riggs** (Academic Affairs)

Riggs successfully defended her dissertation, “Collaborative Relationships: Effective Partnerships Between Librarians, Student Affairs, and Faculty.” Riggs will graduate with a doctor of education degree from Texas A&M University–Commerce. Riggs also:

- Presented “A Roadmap for Your Library’s Future,” at the Texas Library Association Annual Conference April 25–28, 2022, in Fort Worth. Riggs also participated in a panel of state leaders, “Lessons Learned: Planning for the Future,” that examined preparations in a post-pandemic world.
- Presented “Show me the data: Teaching new librarians how to find institutional data for analysis,” for the Midwest Data Librarian Symposium Oct. 5-7, 2022, hosted by Purdue University and Notre Dame.
- Was a guest lecturer at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

**Riggs and Firestone** also attended the 2022 Queer Histories South Conference and presented information on Southwestern University’s archive during the conference information sharing expo. This event includes archives, libraries, historians, and leaders focused on promoting LGBTQ archiving and history in the South.

### **Christine Bowman** (Enrollment Services)

Dean Bowman gave three presentations at the 2022 Higher Education Consultants Association Annual Conference, June 13–17, 2022, in Denver. She delivered a pre-conference case study on financial aid, a session titled “Succeed in Business Without a Business Major,” and another session titled “Test Optional: College and IEC Perspectives.”

### **Malissa Ismaila** (Student Life)

Director of Student Inclusion and Diversity Ismaila was the keynote speaker at the Georgetown Cultural

Citizen Memorial Association (GCCMA) 70th Juneteenth Celebration on June 18, 2022.

### **Brit Katz** (Student Life)

Vice President Katz co-presented “Leveraging Academic Affairs & Student Affairs Partnerships When Developing Student Leadership Programs” at the 2023 Southern Association of College Student Affairs Conference in Birmingham, Alabama, on November 6, 2022.

- Katz delivered the keynote address, “Quo Vadis? Life with Millennials and Gen Z,” for the annual conference for national fraternity and sorority Executive Directors and Presidents on Jan. 8, 2023, in Tampa, Florida.

## AWARDS, HONORS, AND APPOINTMENTS

### **Megan Firestone** (Academic Affairs)

Firestone has been accepted into the doctor of education in learning and organizational change program at Baylor University. Firestone also:

- Was accepted to the Texas Library Association’s TALL Texans leadership program.
- Was selected to serve on the J. Frank Dobie Library Trust Awards committee. The trust was set up by J. Frank Dobie ’10.

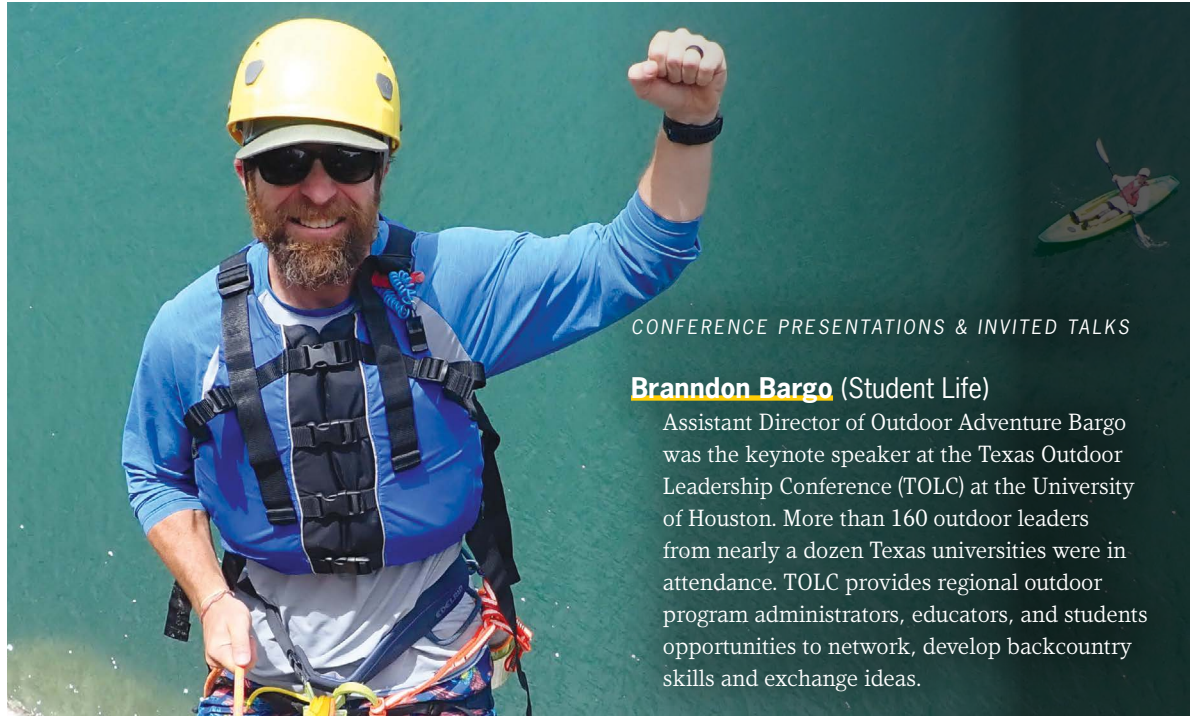
### **Nadia Mahannah** (Academic Affairs)

Associate Registrar Mahannah was appointed to a four-year term on the Legislative Issues Committee within the Texas Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (TACRAO) at the TACRAO Annual Conference in November 2022. The committee closely follows higher education legislation at both the State and Federal levels to keep the TACRAO community informed of important changes impacting their institutions.

### **Alexia Riggs** (Academic Affairs)

Riggs has been named to the TexShare Advisory Board and will serve as the state representative for private academic libraries. The TexShare Advisory Board is charged by statute to advise the Texas State Library and Archives Commission on matters relating to the TexShare consortium. Riggs also:

- Was invited to join the Association of College and Research Libraries College Library Director Mentoring Program Board, where she will serve with national library leaders to prepare new library directors for leadership.
- Was appointed to represent academic libraries



#### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & INVITED TALKS

##### **Brannodon Bargo** (Student Life)

Assistant Director of Outdoor Adventure Bargo was the keynote speaker at the Texas Outdoor Leadership Conference (TOLC) at the University of Houston. More than 160 outdoor leaders from nearly a dozen Texas universities were in attendance. TOLC provides regional outdoor program administrators, educators, and students opportunities to network, develop backcountry skills and exchange ideas.

in Texas on the Texas Library Association Conference Planning Committee. The committee creates and prepares professional development opportunities for Texas librarians.

- Was elected as the incoming chair of the College and University Library Division for the Texas Library Association. The chair also serves as the president of the Association of College and Research Libraries state chapter. The three-year term includes work promoting and advocating for Texas academic libraries and creating professional development programming.

##### **Becky Rodriguez** (University Relations)

Associate Director of Alumni Relations Rodriguez has been selected to join the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Rodriguez graduated from the Chamber's Leadership Georgetown program in May 2022.

#### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

##### **Christine Bowman** (Enrollment Services)

Dean Bowman presented on test-optional admission policies with colleagues from Rhodes College, the College of Wooster, and Colleges That Change Lives at the Independent Educational Consultants Association 2022 Spring Conference May 16–18 in Philadelphia.

- Bowman also presented at the 2022 National Association for College Admission Counseling Conference, September 22–24, in Houston. She joined a team of admission and independent consulting professionals for the session "Independent Educational Consulting in 2022: Challenging Myths and Stereotypes."

##### **Brit Katz** (Student Life)

Vice President Katz facilitated the 2023 Leadership Education for the Southern Athletics Association Student-Athletes' Advisory Council. The event occurred on January 7-8, 2023, in Jackson, Tenn.

