

# DEAN'S OFFICE DIGEST

September 7, 2015

## NEXT COLLEGE FACULTY MEETING

Monday, September 14, 3:30 pm; Pugh Auditorium, Benson

Please make plans to attend. Reports include two recommendations from CAP, an update on Diversity and Inclusion from Chief Diversity Officer Barbee Oakes, and an update on the University Senate from Will Fleeson, Chair of the Collegiate Senators and Wilson Parker, President of the Senate. For the faculty meeting agenda see

<http://faculty.college.wfu.edu/meetings/>



## EARLY ACADEMIC INTERVENTION: ALERT SYSTEM

Office of Academic Advising

Faculty and advisers can alert the Office of Academic Advising to any "red flags" about student performance or well-being by using the academic alert form. The link to this form is on our OAA web page [advising.wfu.edu](http://advising.wfu.edu). Common "red flags" for student difficulty are poor classroom attendance, poor performance on early quizzes or papers, or significant changes in appearance or behaviors. If you have any students or advisees who are displaying such behaviors, you are of course encouraged to talk directly to the student. However, if you feel uncomfortable addressing the student directly, have not had success in getting a response from a student, or wish to have support in helping a student, we hope you will contact us. The earlier we can intervene together to address problems, the better chance we have of helping students correct them before the consequences become too great. Contact Associate Dean Christy Buchanan, Assistant Dean Karen Bennett, or any OAA staff if you have any questions about these alerts or the ways our office can support your work with students (x3320, [undergraduateadvising@wfu.edu](mailto:undergraduateadvising@wfu.edu)).



## HELPING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

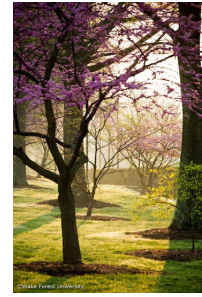
If you have concerns or questions about language facility or acculturation of an international student that might be affecting academic performance in your class, please contact one of the following offices: the Office of Academic Advising (x3320), the Learning Assistance Center (x5929), or the Center for Global Programming and Studies (x5938, or Andrew Smith, [smithac@wfu.edu](mailto:smithac@wfu.edu)). Individuals in these offices work together to support international students. If you have Chinese students in your class, especially if they are new students, a short article addressing some of the differences in academic cultures in China and the U.S. that can create challenges in the U.S. college classroom is available on WIN - InfoCentral, Forms and Documents Library, Advising Information, "Chinese Students in Undergraduate



## NEW FACULTY IN THE FOREST MEETING

Tuesday, September 8, 4:30-6:00 p.m; Benson 401A

The Office of the Dean of the College invites new faculty to join other recently arrived colleagues in a casual setting to learn more about URECA and student engagement, and have an opportunity to connect and network with peers and address issues related to professional success. For more information contact Karen McCormick ( [mccormk@wfu.edu](mailto:mccormk@wfu.edu) ) and Patty Lanier ( [lanierpr@wfu.edu](mailto:lanierpr@wfu.edu) ). **Future dates: October 13, November 10, and December 9, 2015.**



## START THINKING ABOUT SUMMER SCHOOL NOW

### Academic Planning

Summer School may be a distant memory. That couldn't be farther from the case here in Academic Planning, where we are reviewing our statistics from summer 2015 and already beginning preparations for summer 2016. Summer 2015 was another successful term with undergraduate students completing nearly 6,000 credit hours of regular classes, research, internships, and more. We offered our first four online-only summer College courses and in mid-August we celebrated the graduation of 36 undergraduates thanks to the courses they were able to complete over the summer sessions.

During this academic year we are striving to make summer 2016 bigger and better than the summers that have preceded it. Creative input from our departments and faculty can make that all possible. We hope you are pondering new and innovative classes you might offer now in preparation for our call for Summer School 2016 courses next month. We look forward to working with you to make summer 2016 a rewarding experience for all our students.

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

### SCHOONMAKER COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

Nominations due **October 15, 2015**

Send nominations to Kelly McConnico, Alumni Engagement, [mconnkm@wfu.edu](mailto:mconnkm@wfu.edu)

The Alumni Council seeks to honor faculty members whose records for community service are exemplary. Community service for this award is defined as service to the greater community, the University community or a combination of the two. In 2003, the award was named in memory of the late Don Schoonmaker '60, Professor of Politics and the 1993 recipient of the Faculty Prize for Community Service.

The Alumni Council also seeks to honor students with an award established in 2007 by the family and friends of Professor Schoonmaker. This award recognizes those students with outstanding community service records.

To nominate a faculty member or student, please include specific information about how your nominee has served the Wake Forest community and/or the community at large. Selection will be based on the following criteria: amount of involvement, actions taken, achievements and impact on the community. Please limit the information submitted for each candidate to no more than two

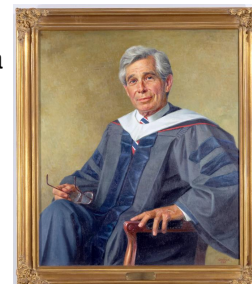
pages. You may re-nominate any candidate from a previous year whom you would like to have considered again by simply updating your letter. Please keep in mind that nominees typically are not selected on the first attempt and we encourage you to submit the name again.

## **A Cherokee Celebration and Commemoration:**

President James Ralph Scales and the Cherokee Heritage of Wake Forest University

**Friday, November 13th, 2015, Byrum Welcome Center, 10:00 am-7:30 pm**

This symposium honors the rich legacy of President James Ralph Scales, a member of the Cherokee Nation and a champion of Wake Forest University's commitment to civil rights and inclusivity. Dr. James Ralph Scales served as President of Wake Forest University from 1967 to 1983. Scheduled at the Porter Byrum Welcoming Center for November 13th, 2015 in honor of American Indian Heritage month, the event will include a series of panel discussions and presentations by notable Cherokee scholars, elders, and community educators, Wake Forest University administrators who worked with President Scales, and a luncheon in honor of President Scales' legacy with a keynote address by Ms. Jude Burnham, who generously donated archival materials related to President Scales' life and accomplishment to Wake Forest University. A guided bus tour of Wake Forest University's American Indian campus heritage sites and history and a student panel with reflections on President Scales and the meaning of his legacy for today's diverse student populations at WFU will complete the day of celebrations. The symposium is co-sponsored by the Humanities Institute with support from a major grant by the National Endowment for the Humanities as well as the Office of the Dean of the College, the Provost's Office, the President's Office, the Departments of Anthropology, History, the Study of Religions, American Ethnic Studies, and the Office of Multicultural Affairs. For more information contact Ulrike Wiethaus, Department for the Study of Religions, [wiehaus@wfu.edu](mailto:wiehaus@wfu.edu). Click [here](#) for the press release.



## **CHAIRS'/DIRECTORS' CORNER**

### **URECA: Undergraduate REsearch and Creative Activities Center**

<http://college.wfu.edu/ureca/>

In the spirit of promoting undergraduate mentored scholarship, the URECA Center invites departments and programs to request up to \$200 per department/program per year to facilitate events that showcase research and creative projects. Departmental representatives are asked to submit a brief (one paragraph) request with budget and expected number of participants to Tammy Griffin ( [burketj@wfu.edu](mailto:burketj@wfu.edu) ). Requests will be considered as they are submitted. A new request must be submitted each year for re-occurring events.



#### **The URECA Committee:**

Shannon Mihalko, Co-chair, HES  
Rebecca Alexander, Chemistry  
Jacqui Carrasco, Music  
Paul Thacker, Anthropology

Wayne Pratt, Co-chair, Psychology  
Anne Boyle, English / Director of the Writing Program  
Monique O'Connell, History

## Caring for Individuals of Concern

The Campus Assessment, Response and Evaluation (CARE) Team serves the Wake Forest University community by evaluating and responding to disruptive, troubling, or threatening behaviors brought to the attention of the Team. As a part of this work the Team also seeks to help identify members of the Wake Forest community who are in need of support, guidance, or other intervention and to refer them to appropriate campus and community resources. **CARE Team members are available to speak to departments or programs about the work of the team.** For more information or to request a visit for your department or program, see [careteam.wfu.edu/](http://careteam.wfu.edu/).

## Upcoming Events and Deadlines

### Wednesday, September 9, 3:30 pm-4:45 pm; Reynolda Hall 301

***"Incoming WFU 2015 Students: What They Know (and Don't Know) about Academic Reading and Writing"*** (Please register through the PDC link)

### Wednesday, September 9, 7:00 pm; Benson 401

***Community Forum: Update on Campus Climate.*** We invite the Wake Forest community to attend an open forum organized by university leadership to provide an update on campus climate issues addressed in the Deliberative Dialogue Action Team report. Updates will be provided by Provost Kersh, Vice President Penny Rue and Chief Diversity Officer Barbee Oakes. For more information on campus climate progress updates, visit the Community in Progress website. <http://community.wfu.edu/>

### Friday, September 11, 9:00 am-12:30 pm; Benson 410

***The Safe Zone*** program is an in-depth, interactive presentation designed to educate Wake Forest faculty, staff, and students about the LGBTQ community. Participants learn what it means to be an ally-a person who supports and stands up for the rights of LGBTQ people-as well as how to create a Safe Zone. <http://pdc.wfu.edu/events/1244/>

### Monday, September 14, 3:30 pm; Pugh Auditorium, Benson

***Mark your calendar for the first faculty meeting of the new academic year!***

Faculty Meeting Dates - <http://faculty.college.wfu.edu/meetings/>

### Monday, September 14, 7:00-9:00 pm; Byrum Welcome Center Auditorium

***Author Reading and Book Signing - Dr. Eric Wilson*** reads from his latest book, *Keep It Fake: Inventing an Authentic Life*. If everything really is fake, then doesn't the fake become real - really? In his new book, Wilson explores what it means to be human, turning our necessary lying into artful living. Wilson contends our ability to remake ourselves into the people we want to be, or at least remake ourselves to look like the people we want to be, is in fact a magical process that can be liberating in its own way. Event details [here](#).

### Thursday, September 17, 7:30 pm; Brendle Recital Hall

### ***Turtle Island String Quartet with Cyrus Chestnut - "Jelly, Rags & Monk"***

Jazz pianist Cyrus Chestnut and the Grammy-winning Turtle Island String Quartet are back together, displaying their formidable collective virtuosity. The Secret Artists Series presents world-class performances free of charge to students, faculty, and staff at Wake Forest University. Mark your calendars and take advantage of these free events! For more information, call 758-5757 . [2015-2016 Secret Artists Series](#)

### **Friday, September 18, 8:45 am-1:30 pm**

***Winning Federal Grants.*** Learn how to win more government grants. Topics covered include ways to develop more fundable ideas, information on how to make pre-proposal contact with federal employees, and knowledge of what it takes to prepare a grant winning government application. Sign up at <http://pdc.wfu.edu/event/9137/>

### **Friday, September 18, 1:00 pm-5:00 pm; ZSR Library Auditorium 404**

#### **" Symposium on Supporting our Multilingual Readers and Writers"**

(Please register through the PDC link)

### **Friday, September 18, 5:30-8:00 pm; Manchester Plaza (Rain Location: Benson 401)**

The Office of Multicultural Affairs, SAF and The Center for Global Programs and Studies will be hosting the **7th Annual World Cultural Festival**. Please share this [flyer](#) with your departments and distribution lists. If you are interested in helping to volunteer for this event, please sign up [here](#).

### **September 18-19, 20, 24-26, 27; Harold C. Stage, Scales Fine Art Center**

**Theatre Production: *Our Town*** - directed by J.K. Curry. In this classic American play, winner of the 1938 Pulitzer Prize for drama, Wilder invites us to reflect on how we fill our days through an examination of life in one small New England town in the early 20th century. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for senior citizens and \$7 for students. The Theatre box office can be reached at 758-5295. Evening performances on Thursdays - Saturdays at 7:30pm; matinee performances on Sundays at 2pm.

### **Thursday, September 24, 7:30 pm; Brendle Recital Hall**

Guest Artist Recital: ***Bent Frequency*** brings the avant-garde music tradition to life through adventurous programming, the promotion of New Music and a creative synthesis of music and media. Free and open to the public. For more information call 758-5026.

### **Saturday, September 26, 7:30 pm; Brendle Recital Hall**

Guest Artist Recital: ***MicroFest Winston Salem 2015*** . Treat your ears and mind to an evening of microtonal adventures, where recognizable instruments take you to the farther reaches of the imagination. Free and open to the public. For more information call 758-5026

### **Tuesday, September 29, 7:30 pm; Brendle Recital Hall**

Faculty Recital: ***Faculty Chamber Concert - Music of Mozart*** . Peter Kairoff, piano; John Sadak, clarinet; Dan Skidmore, violin; Fabrice Dharamraj, viola; Evan Richey, cello. This program features chamber masterpieces by Mozart, including the Piano Quartet in G-minor and the "Kegelstatt" trio for clarinet, viola and piano. Free and open to the public. For more information call 758-5026 . 7:30pm, Brendle Recital Hall.



### Sunday, October 11, 3:00 pm; Brendle Recital Hall

Recital: **Flute Fest**, Kathryn Levy, director. This concert will feature the WFU Flute Choir, solo performances by WFU flute students, and the Silver Wind Flute Choir of Winston Salem. Free and open to the public. For more information call 758-5026 .

### Wednesday, October 14, 6:00 pm; Kulynych Auditorium

**Anna Julia Cooper Center Inaugural Ida B. Wells Lecture**, delivered by AJC Media Fellow in Residence, Joy Reid.

### Friday-Saturday, October 23-24

**Rising Voices: A Wake Forest LGBTQA Alumni Conference**, will bring together students, faculty staff and alumni to discuss current work in LGBTQ scholarship, arts and public policy, provide mentorship to students and create oral history documentary project. Contact Angela Mazaris at mazarise@wfu.edu for more info.

### Wednesday, November 18, 7:00 pm; Wait Chapel

**Ta-Nehisi Coates** will offer a keynote address for our annual Voices of Our Time event. Coates has been at the top of the *NY Times* bestseller list for *Between the World and Me* (2015). Some of you may also be familiar with his seminal work: "The Case for Reparations", which appeared last year in *The Atlantic*. In view of his perspectives and experiences, as well as our University's continued commitment to a sustained dialogue on inclusivity and community, the President's office has supported the College's request to bring Mr. Coates to campus under the *Voices of Our Time Speaker Series*. Please consider how this visit may enhance your classroom experience. Contact Josi Villalba at villalja@wfu.edu for more information.

## Deadlines from the Office of the Registrar

**Wednesday, September 23** - Students with Incompletes should have material turned in to instructor.

**Thursday, October 8** - Last day for instructors to submit Incomplete/Not Reported grade changes from Spring & Summer 2015. Please send to Shemeka Penn (pennsc@wfu.edu).

**Monday, October 19** - Final grades for first part-of-term courses due by noon (12:00 pm).

**Wednesday, October 21**- Mid-term grades for full part-of-term courses due by noon (12:00 pm).

**Wednesday, December 16** - All fall final grades due by noon (12:00 pm)

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To share news or events with the College Faculty, contact Melanie Hylton in the Office of the Dean

of the College. Deadline for the next issue is Wednesday, September 16.