



Dr. Duane Armitage	Philosophy	Associate/Tenure
Dr. James Boyle	Accounting	Associate/Tenure
Dr. Ben Willis	Counseling/HS	Tenure
Dr. Michael Azar	Theology/RS	Tenure
Dr. Yibai Li	OIM	Tenure

3. Update on the Academic Calendar

After extensive discussion with faculty leaders, as well as the staff senate and student government, I have asked Julie Ferguson, Registrar, to develop two calendars for the 2020-2021 academic year. One calendar will be modeled after the previously approved 2019-2020 academic calendar and will be used for undergraduate programs and face-to-face graduate programs. The other calendar will be structured for eight-week courses and used primarily for on-line graduate programs.

Because of this decision to move to a two-calendar model in 2020-2021, I have also asked Julie Ferguson to develop a second calendar for the 2019-2020 that allows online graduate programs to begin earlier in January and retain eight-week courses. Finally, we will also be considering the approval of a similar two-calendar system for 2021-2022.

These revised calendars will still need to be brought forward to University Governance Council for recommendation and to the President's Cabinet.

I want to thank everyone for their diligent work and transparent discussion through this decision-making process. I especially want to thank Julie Ferguson for her leadership and attention to detail. I would be glad to discuss at Faculty Senate meeting.

4. Strategic Enrollment Planning Update

Mr. Lew Sanborne, from Ruffalo Noel Levitz, met with the working groups to review

focused on sustainable business. We are still waiting to hear about the other Fulbright semi-finalists.

7. Update on Faculty Hiring

As of today, we have successfully completed fourteen searches for the 2019-2020 Academic Year.

Michael Bermudez	Assistant Professor	Occupational Therapy
Kaeun Kim	Assistant Professor	Management, Marketing & Entrepreneurship
Ovidiu Cocieru	Assistant Professor	Management, Marketing & Entrepreneurship
Deborah Budash	Assistant Professor	Occupational Therapy
Sinchul Back	Instructor	Criminal Justice
Gregory O'Connell	Faculty Specialist	Management, Marketing & Entrepreneurship
Ian O'Hara*	Assistant Professor	Library
Leila Soleimani	Assistant Professor	Management, Marketing & Entrepreneurship
Gail Kemp	Assistant Professor	Psychology
Joseph Pellegrino	Assistant Professor	Exercise Science
Sonja Lund	Assistant Professor	Counseling & Human Services
Nathaniel Frissell	Assistant Professor	Physics/Electrical Engineering
Richard O'Hara*	Faculty Specialist	Accounting
Tracy Murray*	Faculty Specialist	Nursing

\*Started in Spring 2019

8. Faculty Development

The Faculty Development Board awarded the following Summer 2019 Grants:

Bryon Applequist – *The role of footwear on nonlinear variability in walking and running of health young adults*

Shuhua Fan – *The Knight Brothers in Newchwang: Foreign Life in Mid-19<sup>th</sup> Century Chinese Treaty Ports*

Jason Graham – *Pattern Formation and Decision Making in Slime Mold*

Robert Smith – *Using Autonomous Recording Units to Survey Lackawanna State Park for Northern Saw-whet Owls and Spring Migrating Landbirds*

Katherine Stumpo – *Development of a Conference Presentation and Compilation of Analyzed Data into Two Separate Manuscripts*

Ana Ugarte – *Island Laboratories: Literary Monsters, Diseases, and Pharmacopeias in the Hispanic Caribbean*

Irene Goll – *National Culture, Corporate Social Responsibility, and Firm Performance*

Argyrios Varonides – *New Modeling for Improved Performance of*



**New Course**

PSYC 226: Lifespan Development Cognitive and Biological	2/15/19
PSYC 227: Lifespan Development Social and Emotional	2/15/19
ABA 600: Concepts and Principles of Behavior Analysis	12/18/18
ABA 610: Ethical and Professional Conduct in Behavior Analysis	12/18/18
ABA 620: Problem Identification and Behavior Change Considerations In Behavior Analysis	12/18/18
ABA 630: Applied Behavior Analysis I	12/18/18
ABA 640: Measurement and Experimental Design in Behavior Analysis	12/18/18
ABA 650: Applied Behavior Analysis II	12/18/18
BUAN 465: Customer Relations Management Analysis	1/15/19
BUAN 470: Introduction to Big Data	1/15/19
COMM 127X: Understanding the iGen Generation	1/9/19

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