# 2013-2014 New Faculty



Faculty Center for Excellence in Teaching & Learning
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The Faculty Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning serves individuals, groups and the institution in pursuit of teaching excellence. Its three areas of activity are: 1) induction and ongoing support of junior faculty; 2) professional development focused on the scholarship of teaching, learner-centered teaching, action research and reflective pedagogy; and 3) institutional change relevant to teaching and learning. The Center encourages self-directed inquiry through workshops, discussion groups, learning communities and conference participation.

### Rowan University Welcomes

our new faculty for 2013-2014

Dear Friend,

At Rowan University, faculty members in eight colleges and two medical schools work in the classroom, in the lab, on the stage and in the field alongside more than 13,400 undergraduate, graduate and medical students. Each professor makes a difference in the lives of our students. As educators, researchers, advisers and mentors, these professors take an interest in what our students learn today and where they will go tomorrow.

This academic year, Rowan welcomes 55 tenure-track professors to the Glassboro campus including 20 assistant professors, one associate professor and 34 instructors. The increase in tenure-track positions provides opportunities for enhanced teaching and learning from new and seasoned professors.



These new hires represent the best. Rowan, with its ongoing commitment to undergraduate education, continues to attract and retain the highest-quality faculty to our campuses.

And, these new professors join the Rowan family in unprecedented numbers during an unprecedented time in the University's history. This summer, the University added the Rowan University School of Osteopathic Medicine, making Rowan one of only two universities in the nation to offer both M.D.- and D.O.-granting medical programs. We celebrated the opening of a newly renovated Wellness Center, Team House and theatre; broke ground on a second College of Engineering building; and, in conjunction with the Borough of Glassboro, opened several new buildings along Rowan Boulevard, including the new home of the University's College of Graduate and Continuing Education.

It's an exciting time to be at Rowan, and, when you meet the new faculty, you begin to see just how bright our future really is.

Sincerely,

Deb Martin, Ph.D.

Director

Faculty Center



### **New Faculty Bios**

#### **Tenure-track assistant professors**



### **Cydney Alexis**

Department of Writing Arts College of Communication & Creative Arts

B.A., English, University of Florida; M.A., English (Concentration: Film and Media Studies), University of Florida; J.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison; Ph.D., Composition and Rhetoric, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Dr. Alexis researches the material culture of writing, which includes the role material objects play in writers' work lives and the process through which writing identities emerge around consumer goods. Before joining Rowan's faculty, Dr. Alexis taught composition at the University of Denver. As a graduate student at UW-Madison, she also taught composition, worked in the Writing Center and held two writing program administration positions: assistant director of first-year writing and assistant director of the Writing Fellows program. Besides material culture, Dr. Alexis researches and teaches digital writing technologies, food literacy and visual rhetoric.



#### Nasrine Bendjilali

Department of Mathematics College of Science & Mathematics

M.S., Mathematics, Lehigh University; Ph.D., Applied Mathematics, Lehigh University

Dr. Bendjilali comes to Rowan as a member of five different associations including the American Statistical Association and Mathematical Association of America. Her research interests include statistical methods and inferences, population genetics, genetics of complex diseases and mathematical biology. Her work appeared in *PLOS One* and 12 conference presentations. She was recently awarded an American Heart Association fellowship and the best presentation award at the UCSF 1st Postdoc Symposium. Before Rowan she worked as an associate specialist in the Division of Medical Genetics at the University of California and most recently as a postdoctoral fellow at the Center for Cerebrovascular Research at the University of California.



#### Nidhal Bouaynaya

Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering College of Engineering

B.S., Electrical and Computer Engineering, Ecole Nationale Supérieure de l'Electronique et de ses Applications (ENSEA), France; M.S., Electrical and Computer Engineering, Illinois Institute of Technology; Diplôme d'Etudes Approfondies in Signal and Image Processing, ENSEA, France; M.S., Mathematics, University of Illinois at Chicago; Ph.D., Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Illinois at Chicago

Dr. Bouaynaya's primary interests are in signal, image and video processing for medical applications. Before coming to Rowan she was an associate professor at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, where she won the Faculty Excellence Award in Research for her work in signal processing and intervention of genetic regulatory networks. Dr. Bouaynaya was awarded a National Institutes of Health grant award, in collaboration with the University of Illinois at Chicago and the University of Alabama at Birmingham, to develop new mathematical models and methods of genetic intervention in cellular networks. Her publications appear in top ranked Journals such as *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing* and *Bioinformatics*.



#### W. Camron Casper

Department of Management & Entrepreneurship Rohrer College of Business

B.S., Psychology, Brigham Young University; M.B.A., Brigham Young University; Ph.D., Business Administration, Management, Oklahoma State University

Dr. Casper focuses his research on strategic human resources issues. His research has been published in *Journal of Business and Psychology* and the SAGE publications, *Encyclopedia of New Venture Management* and *Encyclopedia of Global Religion*. He has presented at The Academy of Management and The Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology conferences. His work includes funded research resulting in a number of technical reports to individual companies and to the Material Handling Industry of America and College-Industry Council on Material Handling Education. Before earning his Ph.D., he practiced human resources leadership for 20 years in several Fortune 100 companies including Chevron, Honeywell and Citigroup. He is lifetime certified as a Senior Professional in Human Resources by the HR Certification Institute. As a faculty member in the Rohrer College of Business, he teaches courses in human resources.



#### **Davide Ceriani**

Department of Music College of Performing Arts

Diploma (B.A. in Music equivalent), Saxophone, Conservatory of Bologna, Italy; Laurea in Lettere (M.A. equivalent), Historical Musicology, University of Florence, Italy; Ph.D., Historical Musicology, Harvard University

Dr. Ceriani's two main areas of research are the reception of Italian opera in America from 1880 until 1940 and the music in Italy during the interwar period. At Rowan, he teaches Western music history courses with a special interest in interdisciplinary topics (e.g. music and politics) and the operatic and instrumental repertory in Italy, France, and America in the 19th and 20th centuries. Before coming to Rowan, Dr. Ceriani spent two years as a Mellon Post-doctoral Fellow in the Department of Music at Columbia University where he taught courses for graduate and undergraduate students, published in miscellaneous volumes and presented at international conferences. Dr. Ceriani also has performed extensively as a saxophone player in Europe and America.



#### Nicole Megan Edwards

Department of Language, Literacy & Special Education College of Education

B.A., Psychology, Certification: Elementary Education, SUNY Geneseo; M.Ed., Early Childhood Special Education, New York University; Ph.D., Special Education, University of Maryland, College Park

Dr. Edwards teaches Human Exceptionality, Early Childhood Special Education Field Placement Seminar and Positive Behavioral Support Systems for Students with Exceptional Learning Needs. Her research interests include early childhood/early childhood special education collaboration and professional development and the role of caregivers in supporting young children's emerging emotional development. She has four years of experience working as a center-based and home-based early intervention special educator in New York City and three years of experience as an associate director of a statewide initiative supporting and monitoring the professional development of early intervention providers in Georgia.



#### **Claire Falck**

Department of English College of Humanities & Social Sciences

B.A., English, Art History, Visual Art, Bowdoin College; M.A., English, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Ph.D., English, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Dr. Falck teaches courses on early modern and Renaissance literature, including the early British literature survey and Shakespeare. Her research focuses on the intersection of visual culture, religious practice and literary form in early modern English literature. She has published articles in the *John Donne Journal* and *Studies in English Literature*, and is working on a book project titled "Radiant Shrines" that analyzes images of God and generic innovation in early modern English Protestant poetry.



#### **Mathieu Gendreau**

Department of Music College of Performing Arts

D.E.C., Classical Music, Collège de Musique de Saint-Laurent, Montreal, Canada; M.A., Audio Production, University of Westminster, London, United Kingdom

Mr. Gendreau is a music producer, composer, recording artist and label owner. His creative and research areas include producing a professional recording, scoring to picture and video games, negotiating contracts, touring and publishing. His music productions have been released by labels such as EMI, Mute, Virgin, Sony, Tommy Boy, Ministry of Sound and Universal. He has released records and toured internationally with his band, Plastic Operator. His work as a composer has been featured in films and videos, television programs, advertisements, and video games for Ubisoft, Autodesk, MIT, WYBE, Coca-Cola, Radio-Canada Television and the British Academy of Film and Television Arts Games Awards. Mathieu has taught at Drexel University and the University of Westminster in London.



Jordan P. Howell

Department of Geography & Environment College of Humanities & Social Sciences

B.A., Anthropology, College of William & Mary; M.S., Geography, Michigan State University; Ph.D., Geography, Michigan State University

Dr. Howell is interested in what happens at the intersection of human societies and environmental systems, and, especially, the histories, geographies and assessment practices of technologies designed to solve environmental problems. Previously a STAR Graduate Fellow with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Dr. Howell's current research examines practices of solid waste management in Hawaii and the continental United States. At Rowan, he will teach a range of courses in the Department of Geography & Environment, including courses for the Environmental Studies program. Off-campus, he is an avid tennis player (and registered teaching pro), aspiring yogi and fitness enthusiast.



#### Kristine C. Johnson

Department of Public Relations & Advertising College of Communication & Creative Arts

B.S., Speech, University of Texas; M.S., Advertising and Public Relations, Texas Christian University; Ph.D., Mass Communication, Florida State University

Dr. Johnson teaches courses in marketing and advertising including Integrated Marketing Communication and Introduction to Advertising. Other classes include Hispanic Marketing, Global Communication, Persuasion and Mass Communication. She has industry experience in advertising and a background in radio broadcasting. Her research focuses on consumer behavior, especially in relation to online media and health communication. Her work has been published in *The Journal of Radio and Audio Media* and she has presented at varying events including conferences held by the Broadcast Education Association, American Culture Association and Southern States Communication Association.



#### Carla Lewandowski

Department of Law & Justice College of Humanities & Social Sciences

B.A., Sociology, Princeton University; M.S., Criminology, Oxford University; M.A., Criminology, University of Pennsylvania; Law Certificate, University of Pennsylvania Law School; Ph.D., Criminology, University of Pennsylvania

Dr. Lewandowski teaches courses in crime theory, terrorism and post-conflict societies. Her research mainly focuses on policing terrorism in the United States. More specifically, she has completed research on policing throughout New Jersey and how information is being shared among local, state and national law enforcement agencies. She has presented at the American Society of Criminology annual conference multiple times and published in the International Association of Law Enforcement Intelligence Analysts Journal and the Sirius Journal of International Development.



Jonathan A. Mason

Department of Radio, Television & Film College of Communication & Creative Arts

B.S., Film Production, University of Miami; B.A., English (Creative Writing), University of Miami; M.F.A., Film, Columbia University School of the Arts

Mr. Mason is a film producer, screenwriter and creative executive, most recently serving as creative director for Belladonna Productions and Bullet Pictures in New York, whose work has collectively screened at the Cannes, Sundance, New York, Venice, Berlin, Toronto, Woodstock and Tribeca film festivals. Born and raised in Paris, France, Mr. Mason's personal work primarily focuses on exploring questions of childhood and cultural identity. He is currently developing a television pilot and two of his screenplays are under option for production in the United States and France. Jonathan teaches Film Production I and II, as well as introductory and graduate Screenwriting.



#### Kathryn McGinn

Department of Teacher Education College of Education

B.A., English, Bryn Mawr College; M.S.Ed., Secondary English Education, University of Pennsylvania; Ph.D., Education, University of Pennsylvania

Dr. McGinn received her doctorate in education with a focus on urban schools and school reform. Her research interests include parental engagement in education, school choice, and community participation in school governance and policy making. She teaches courses in the Department of Teacher Education, including Teaching and Learning for English Language Arts. She has presented at regional and national conferences and recently co-authored an article published in *Urban Education*. Prior to attending graduate school, she spent six years as an English teacher in Philadelphia public schools.



#### **Brianne (Brie) Morettini**

Department of Teacher Education College of Education

B.A., Rhetoric and Communication Studies, University of Richmond; M.S.Ed., Teaching, Learning and Curriculum, University of Pennsylvania; Ph.D., Teacher Education and Professional Development, University of Maryland

Dr. Morettini teaches the undergraduate courses Curriculum and Assessment in the Elementary Classroom and Observation, Assessment and Evaluation of Diverse Learners. She began her career in education as an elementary classroom teacher. While completing her doctoral program, Dr. Morettini worked as the director of the Maryland Science and Mathematics Resident Teacher Program for career changers in the STEM professions. She has worked on teacher education policy at both regional and state levels. Her research interests include teacher identity formation and reasons why individuals choose to teach. Dr. Morettini has presented her research at several national conferences.



#### **Gustavo Moura-Letts**

Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry College of Science & Mathematics

B.S., Chemistry, Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia, Peru; M.S., Chemistry, University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth; Ph.D., Chemistry, University of Pittsburgh; Postdoctoral Fellow, Ohio State University; Postdoctoral Fellow, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center

Born in Lima, Peru, Dr. Moura-Letts obtained his Ph.D. in synthetic organic chemistry in 2007. He transitioned into medicinal chemistry during his postdoctoral fellowship at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. His research interests focus predominantly on the development and application of novel synthetic methodologies to obtain biologically relevant molecular scaffolds. His teaching interests range from organic synthesis, natural product biochemistry, and medicinal and pharmacological chemistry.



#### Jill Schwarz

Department of Educational Services, Administration & Higher Education College of Education

B.S., Psychology and Elementary Education, The College of New Jersey; M.A., School Counseling, The College of New Jersey; Ph.D., Counselor Education, Montclair State University

Dr. Schwarz teaches graduate level counseling courses. Prior to joining the Rowan faculty, she taught at several colleges in New Jersey, as well as internationally in Europe and Asia. She also worked as a professional school counselor in K-12 schools and has provided workshops and training for counselors and teachers. Last year she was recognized as an "Emerging Leader" in the counselor education field. Her research interests include spirituality and gender issues in counseling, pet therapy, and school counselor preparation and practice.



**Dawn Specht** 

Department of Nursing College of Science & Mathematics

B.S.N., Nursing, Thomas Jefferson University; M.S.N., Acute Care/Trauma Nursing, Thomas Jefferson University; Ph.D., Nursing, Widener University

Dr. Specht has been teaching in the Department of Nursing at Rowan for the last two years and practices as an emergency room nurse. She has more than 20 publications including works in 2012 Critical Care Nursing. Her research interests include computer anxiety, research self-efficacy and gerontology. She is a scholar for the New Jersey collaborative for gerontological education. She is an established podium presenter on evidence-based practice, trauma, neurologic and critical care topics.



Kelly M. Trevino
Department of Psychology

Department of Psychology
College of Science & Mathematics

B.A., Psychology and Religious Studies, Bucknell University; Ph.D., Clinical Psychology, Bowling Green State University

Dr. Trevino is a licensed psychologist with extensive experience teaching both graduate and undergraduate courses. She conducted postdoctoral research and clinical work at VA Boston Healthcare System and Dana Farber Cancer Institute. She worked as a Clinical Fellow at Harvard Medical School and Boston University. She also is an accomplished researcher with 22 peer reviewed publications appearing in academic journals such as Journal of Clinical Oncology, Journal of Adolescent and Young Adult Oncology and American Journal of Hospice and Palliative Medicine. Dr. Trevino is a member of several professional societies including the American Psychological Oncology Society and the American Society of Clinical Oncology.



#### Chun Wu

Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry College of Science & Mathematics; School of Biomedical Sciences

B.S., Chemistry, Xiamen University, China; M.S., Analytical Chemistry, Xiamen University; M.S., Computer Science, University of Delaware; Ph.D., Computational Biophysical Chemistry, University of Delaware

Dr. Wu integrates his math knowledge and computing training into his teaching to help students master quantitative analysis skills. His research focuses on methodology development and applications of all-atom molecular dynamics simulations in modeling protein structure and interactions. He has made contributions in deciphering several important proteins involved in human diseases such as mad cow disease. His postdoctoral research was conducted at the University of California, Santa Barbara and University of California, Davis Genome Center. He has more than 30 works published in such publications as *Fresenius Journal of Analytical Chemistry*, *Chinese Journal of Analytical Chemistry* and *Biophysics Journal*.



**Yang Yang** 

Department of Management & Entrepreneurship Rohrer College of Business

B.A., Economics, Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, P. R. China; Ph.D., Business Administration, University of Western Ontario, Canada

Dr. Yang teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in Organizational Behavior and Designing, Developing and Leading High Performance Organizations. She joined Rowan after completing her postdoctoral studies at the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. Her research interests include gender and diversity in organizations, work-life flexibility, cross-level studies and organizational resilience. Her research has been published in Journal of Organizational Behavior, Journal of Vocational Behavior, Group & Organization Management, Sex Roles and Gender in Management: An International Journal. She has received a number of awards including the 2013 Rosabeth Moss Kanter Award for Excellence in Work-Family Research.



## **New Faculty Bios**

#### Tenure-track associate professor (not pictured)

#### Michael Tolocka

Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry College of Science & Mathematics

B.S., Chemistry, Fairleigh Dickinson University; Ph.D., Physical Chemistry, George Washington University

Dr. Tolocka is a physical chemist with a diverse research agenda that includes areas of chemical kinetics, environmental toxicology and biophysical chemistry. Previously a research scientist at the University of North Carolina, he also was an assistant professor at Louisiana State University, where he won the Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honor Society Teaching Award for teaching general chemistry. He also was a postdoctoral researcher at the University of Delaware and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. He has more than 25 publications ranging in subjects from fundamental combustion chemistry to aerosol physics. His current research includes understanding the fate, transport and toxicology of engineered nano-materials.

### **New Faculty Bios**

#### **Tenure-track instructors**



#### **Amy Accardo**

Department of Language, Literacy & Special Education College of Education

B.S., Design and Information Systems, Drexel University; Graduate Studies, Special Education, Rowan University; M.S., Science of Instruction, Drexel University

Ms. Accardo teaches undergraduate courses including Differentiated Instruction and Human Exceptionalities. She comes to Rowan with extensive public school experience having served as a middle school special educator and curriculum coordinator for fifteen years. She currently is pursuing her Ed.D. from Arcadia University, with research interests including reading comprehension and students with autism spectrum disorder (ASD), and postsecondary education opportunities for youth with disabilities. In 2006, Ms. Accardo founded Bucks County Learning Connections providing developmental support for individuals with ASD, and, since 2011, she has taught courses in field experience pedagogy for The College of New Jersey and serves as a clinical practice supervisor at Rowan.



#### **Anthony M. Angelow**

Department of Nursing College of Science & Mathematics

B.S., Nursing, Thomas Jefferson University; M.S.N., Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, Thomas Jefferson University; Post M.S.N., Nursing Education, Mount Carmel College of Nursing; Ph.D. In-Progress, Nursing Education, University of Northern Colorado

Mr. Angelow coordinates the Adult-Gerontology: Acute Care Advanced Practice Registered Nurse program. He has experience as a registered nurse and nurse practitioner in the emergency department, division of trauma surgery and the division of hospital medicine. For the last six years, while maintaining an active clinical practice, Mr. Angelow has taught graduate and undergraduate courses at Jefferson School of Nursing in Philadelphia and Our Lady of Lourdes School of Nursing in Camden. He has three publications appearing in the *Journal of Emergency Nursing* and *CE Week* and is active in the Emergency Nurses Association, American Association of Nurse Practitioners and Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing.



#### **Harriet Sharlow Benavidez**

Department of Communication Studies College of Communication & Creative Arts

B.A., Education, Purdue University; M.A., Communication, University of Hawaii

Ms. Benavidez has taught at Rowan since the fall of 1992. She teaches Public Speaking, Interpersonal Communication and Sophomore Engineering Clinic II (Public Speaking). With more than 25 years of teaching and training experience in government, nonprofit and corporate sectors, she has served as a senior corporate trainer for GE Information Services and as an instructor at the Naval Air Technical Training Center in Memphis, Tenn. One of Ms. Benavidez's continuing interests is the role of interpersonal communication in military family life. She has designed and facilitated seminars on communication issues that arise due to military deployment.



#### **JoAnne Bullard**

Department of Health & Exercise Science College of Education

B.S., Exercise Sport Science, Ursinus College; M.S., Sports Science, United States Sports Academy; Psy.D., Sport Psychology and Performance, University of the Rockies

Dr. Bullard teaches courses in Health and Exercise Science including Nutrition, Consumer Health and Contemporary Health. Her research includes the the impact of goal-setting on collegiate athletes. Her research interests relate to psychological health and well being of individuals. Prior to joining Rowan University in 2013, JoAnne worked in the Athletics Department at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey. She has taught in the Allied Health department at Atlantic Cape Community College and for Fairleigh Dickinson University. She is also a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist.



#### Tracey A. Fabrico-Basile

Department of Accounting & Finance Rohrer College of Business

B.S., Business Administration with specialization in Accounting, Rowan University; M.S., Taxation, Widener University

Ms. Fabrico-Basile completed the Bridge Program from Babson College to gain her Professional Teaching Qualifications. She is a Certified Public Accountant and a member of the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants and American Institute of CPAs. She brings 25 years of professional experience in the field of accounting to Rowan, first with Barse & Fabrico CPAs in Vineland, N.J. and currently in her own practice, Fabrico CPA LLC, also located in Vineland. Tracey is teaching Principles of Accounting I, Intermediate Accounting I, Individual Taxation, Concepts of Federal Taxation and Taxation for Business Entities.



#### **Danielle Gougon**

Department of Political Science & Economics College of Humanities & Social Sciences

B.A., Political Science, Bloomsburg University; M.A., Gender Studies and Feminist Theory, The Graduate Faculty of Political and Social Science, New School University; Ph.D., Political Science, Rutgers University

Dr. Gougon teaches courses in American government and political theory. Her research interests include women in politics, social movements, interest groups, issue framing and feminist theory. Prior to Rowan, she served as dean of Global Academic Programs at Douglass College, Rutgers University and was responsible for developing curriculum for internationally-focused living learning communities and student leadership courses and programs.



Bethany B. Gummo

Department of Mathematics College of Science & Mathematics

B.S., Chemical Engineering, Widener University; M.B.A., Baldwin-Wallace College; M.S., Applied Statistics, Villanova University

Ms. Gummo teaches undergraduate statistics courses including Elementary Statistics, Statistics I and Statistics II. She has 16 years of experience working in Fortune 500 companies including BP Oil, Rubbermaid and Kmart followed by many years as an independent Internet researcher and, most recently, teaching statistics in several area colleges. She is interested in parametric statistics, multiple regression and non-parametric statistics.



#### Stephen G. Hague

Department of History College of Humanities & Social Sciences

B.A., History, State University of New York at Binghamton; M.A., History, University of Virginia; D.Phil., History, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

Dr. Hague will teach a wide range of courses in modern European history, with a special interest in Britain and the British Empire in a global perspective. His research examines the intersection of architecture, material culture and social history, and he has published on houses in the Atlantic World, furnishings and domestic interiors, historic buildings and community and museum interpretation. He also has extensive experience in the fields of public history and museum management. Combining his academic research with his previous work as a historic site director, his first book, *The Gentleman's House in the British Atlantic World*, 1680-1780, is forthcoming in 2014.



Jane A. Hill

Department of Sociology & Anthropology College of Humanities & Social Sciences

B.A., Journalism, University of Mississippi; M.A., Anthropology, University of Memphis; M.A. Art History/Egyptology, University of Memphis; Ph.D., Egyptian Archaeology, University of Pennsylvania

Dr. Hill teaches courses in anthropology with an emphasis on archaeology, culture and the environment, and museum studies. Her research interests include co-evolution of major elite cemeteries and urbanism in early Egyptian civilization, and the origins and development of ancient Egyptian writing systems. She leads a multi-year research project with the University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology researching Penn's Predynastic Egyptian collection. She serves as co-curator of the Museum of Anthropology at Rowan University. Dr. Hill has edited volumes on the archaeology of the southeastern United States, Mayan archaeology and ancient Near Eastern kingship, and she published a monograph on her research.



**Anthony Hostetter** 

Department of Theatre & Dance College of Performing Arts

B.F.A., Theatre, Virginia Commonwealth University; M.F.A., Theatre Arts, The Pennsylvania State University; Ph.D., Theatre History and Criticism, The University of Missouri-Columbia

Dr. Hostetter is a stage designer, director and production manager. He teaches Contemporary World Theatre, Theatre History, Experiencing Acting and Stage Management. He has designed and directed for Philadelphia area theatre companies. Most recently he designed for the internationally acclaimed director John Clancy at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe in Scotland. Dr. Hostetter has directed three productions of Who Will Carry The Word? and his first book, Max Reinhardt's Grosses Schauspielhaus, was published in 2003. He won the 2001 Herbert D. Greggs Award for Outstanding Writing in Theatre Design and Technology. He has had reviews published by Theatre Journal and Communications from the International Brecht Society.



Adam J. Kolek

Department of Music College of Performing Arts

B.A., Music, Skidmore College; M.A., Musicology, Smith College; Ph.D., Music Theory, University of Massachusetts Amherst

Dr. Kolek teaches courses in music theory that are part of the core requirements of the undergraduate music program. His recently completed dissertation analyzed and interpreted the linear sequence of segments in collage music by the American composer John Zorn. In addition to collage and musical postmodernism, his research interests include popular music, film soundtrack and music theory pedagogy. Before coming to Rowan, he taught courses in music theory and popular music at Holyoke Community College and the University of Massachusetts Amherst.



Ik Jae Lee

Department of Mathematics College of Science & Mathematics

B.S., Mathematics, Inha University, Korea; M.S., Mathematics, Inha University; Ph.D., Mathematics, Kansas State University

Dr. Lee's current research is in Khovanov homology and he has broad interests in the knot theory and molecular topology. Before coming to Rowan, he taught various levels of calculus at Inha University and Kansas State University. His publications include *A New Generalization of the Khovanov Homology* and *New Version of Khovanov Homology*.



#### Kaitlin Engle Mallouk

Department of Mechanical Engineering College of Engineering

B.S., Chemical Engineering, Cornell University; M.S., Environmental Engineering in Civil Engineering, University of Illinois

Ms. Mallouk will teach freshman and sophomore engineering clinic and Advanced Heat and Mass Transfer. She is completing her Ph.D. in air quality engineering and science at the University of Illinois. Her teaching and research at Illinois were supported by the National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, the Civil & Environmental Engineering Alumni Graduate Assistantship for Teaching Excellence and The Mavis Future Faculty Fellowship. Ms. Mallouk also was twice recognized on the University of Illinois List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students. She looks forward to bringing her passion for teaching and engineering to Rowan's classrooms.



#### **Pam Marshall**

Department of Communication Studies College of Communication & Creative Arts

B.A., Communication, Montclair State University; M.A., Applied Communication, Temple University

Ms. Marshall teaches courses in Communication Theory, Interpersonal Communication and Public Speaking for the Reticent Speaker, and is the director of public speaking for the Department of Communication Studies. She is a communication scholar with an emphasis on listening and perception. Her research includes the communication satisfaction of off-site workers, as well as the listening capabilities of high-level managers. She has presented on developing basic courses in communication at many conferences. Prior to joining Rowan, she taught at West Chester University, Monmouth University and Temple University. She also is a consultant in the corporate sector and has conducted research and workshops in the telecommunications field, pharmaceutical industry, publishing industry and prison systems in New Jersey.



#### Charles D. McGlynn

Department of Geography & Environment College of Humanities & Social Sciences

B.A., Geography, Rowan University; M.A., Geography, Rutgers University; Ph.D., Geography, Rutgers University

Dr. McGlynn teaches Water Resources, Population, Senior Seminar and regional geography courses, including Asia, Russia and North America. His research interests include water resource management and economics. His work in Cebu City, Philippines was recently featured in *NewGeography*. Dr. McGlynn continues to work with the University of San Carlos Water Resources Department on water supply and quality issues in Cebu. These efforts to protect and revitalize ground water resources have implications throughout the Philippines and for many other coastal cities facing such issues.



### Jenahvive Morgan

Department of Civil Engineering College of Engineering

B.S., Chemical Engineering, Michigan State University; B.A., International Relations, Michigan State University; M.Sc., Environmental Engineering, University of Michigan; Ph.D., Environmental Engineering, University of Michigan

Much of Dr. Morgan's career has been focused on developing her teaching skills. After completing her undergraduate degree, she moved to North Carolina and taught basic algebra and pre-calculus in a Title 1 school in Asheville, N.C. In her desire to pursue teaching at the collegiate level, she attended the University of Michigan for her graduate degrees. Her doctorate research focused on wetland restoration and biological impacts of artificial wetlands. During her time as a graduate student, she taught fluid mechanics laboratory sections as a graduate student instructor. At Rowan, she is teaching the freshman- and sophomore-level Engineering Clinics.



#### Asadeh (Asi) Nia-Schoenstein

Department of Public Relations & Advertising College of Communication & Creative Arts

B.A., International Relations and Foreign Languages & Literature, Clark University; M.S., Mass Communication with a specialization in Public Relations and Advertising, Boston University

Ms. Nia-Schoenstein has 30 years of experience in international, corporate and agency public relations. She has worked in various European and Middle Eastern countries. Her professional career has focused on the hospitality industry, travel and tourism, publishing and digital technology. A member of the Public Relations Society of America, Ms. Nia-Schoenstein earned her Accreditation in Public Relations. Her accomplishments include a Bronze Bell award from the Hospitality Sales and Marketing Association and several Rowan University Wall of Fame awards for Excellence in Teaching. Ms. Nia-Schoenstein has served as adviser to PRaction and AdDynamics, Rowan University's student-run public relations and advertising agencies. She teaches introductory as well as advanced courses in public relations and advertising.



#### **Christy Peters-DeFilippis**

Department of Teacher Education College of Education

B.S., Elementary Education with a concentration in Science, University of Maryland; M.A., Teaching and Learning, Nova Southeastern University; Supervisor's Certification, Montclair State University

Ms. Peters-DeFilippis teaches undergraduate courses such as Teaching in Learning Communities I. Prior to joining the Department of Teacher Education, she taught for 19 years in Maryland and New Jersey public schools. She has extensive experience teaching fourth- to sixth-grade mathematics and her research interests are service learning and math performance. Ms. Peters-DeFilippis currently is pursuing her Ed.D. in Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment at Walden University.



#### Bernard M. Pietrucha

Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering College of Engineering

B.S., Electrical Engineering, Newark College of Engineering (NJIT); M.S., Electrical Engineering, Newark College of Engineering (NJIT); Ph.D., Electrical Engineering, Rutgers University

Dr. Pietrucha has taught undergraduate courses in electrical and computer engineering and Freshman and Sophomore Clinic in addition to cross-disciplinary courses with mechanical engineering at Rowan University. Prior to joining Rowan in 2001, he was an adjunct professor of electrical engineering at Newark College of Engineering (NJIT) for 16 years. Dr. Pietrucha's industrial experience includes employment at AT&T, Bell Labs and Lucent Technologies, where he worked in communications satellites, semiconductor device development and qualification, and cellular telephone base station development and manufacturing. He also worked for the RCA Solid State Division as a semiconductor product engineer. He served as the general chair of the 2004 IEEE International Reliability Physics Symposium and is a former editor for reliability for the *IEEE Transactions on Semiconductor Manufacturing*.



#### **Bruce Plourde**

Department of English College of Humanities & Social Sciences

A.B., English, Davidson College; M.A., English, Wake Forest University; Ph.D., English (19th and early 20th-century American literature), Temple University

Dr. Plourde, a former Fulbright scholar to China, teaches surveys of American literature, the introductory literary studies course and American English Grammar, and serves as a student adviser in the American Studies department. His training and interests in American literature and history range from the early nineteenth century into the early Modernism of the 1920s. His most recent publication examines the intersection of literary and historical interest in the Wilmington riot of 1898.



John Quinesso

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B.A., Elementary and Early Childhood Education, Rider University; M.A.T., Marygrove College

Mr. Quinesso has a long history of work and service in the education field including 33 years of elementary teaching experience. He also has served as area director and National Collegiate Programs adviser with the People to People Student Ambassador Program – having traveled to more than 60 countries on all seven continents. John began as an adjunct in the Department and will continue to teach undergraduate courses and supervise clinical practice candidates. He also will serve as the coordinator of the Teaching and Learning Communities I course, which is required of all majors and minors in the College of Education.



Mara E. Robu
Department of Biological Sciences

College of Science & Mathematics

B.S., Biochemistry, University of Bucharest, Romania; M.S., Enzymology, University of Bucharest; Ph.D., Biochemistry, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Dr. Robu teaches courses in the biology core curriculum, including Cell Biology and Genetics. Her research interests include molecular mechanisms of disease, using zebrafish as a model system. Before coming to Rowan, she taught biology at Gwynedd-Mercy College, Arcadia University and St. Olaf College and assisted teaching at University of Wisconsin-Madison. Her work has been published in journals such as *Journal of Biological Chemistry* and *Proceedings to National Academy of Science*. She comes to Rowan with several acclaimed awards and fellowships including the Fox Chase Cancer Center William Avery Postdoctoral Fellowship and Minnesota Craniofacial Research Training Grant.



### Tiffany J. Samsel

Department of Law & Justice College of Humanities & Social Sciences

B.S., Criminal Justice, Saint Joseph's University; M.S., Criminal Justice, Saint Joseph's University

Ms. Samsel has served the Law & Justice Department for the last two years on a part-time instructor basis and returns in 2013 as a full-time instructor. She teaches a variety of upper-and lower-level criminal justice courses including Criminal Justice Research, Theories of Crime, an elective on media and crime and a senior seminar course on the topic of prisoner reentry. Some of her interests include analyzing the portrayal of crime in contemporary media, restorative justice principles and strategies and issues associated with prisoner reentry.



#### Tracy Sareyka

Department of Language, Literacy & Special Education College of Education

B.S., Elementary Education, Messiah College; M.A., Reading Education, Rowan University

Ms. Sareyka has been teaching at Rowan for 12 years as an adjunct and 3/4-time instructor. Her undergraduate and graduate courses include Teaching Literacy, Differentiated Literacy Instruction, School Reading Problems and Corrections of Remedial Reading Problems. She has developed and taught online graduate and undergraduate courses. Ms. Sareyka also has worked with the Rowan University Reading Clinic, teaching students in the capstone courses of the Reading Certification Program. She twice was nominated to Rowan's "Wall of Fame" for teaching excellence.



Bob Scarpa
Department of Accounting & Finance

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Mr. Scarpa holds a CPA certification and is a member of the New Jersey Society of CPAs. He was a full-time temporary instructor at Rowan from 2009 to 2012. He taught accounting and business courses for 25 years as an adjunct at Rowan, Gloucester County College, Burlington County College and Cape Atlantic Community College. He teaches Accounting I and II, Managerial Accounting and Principles of Finance. He worked in various industries including Fortune 500 corporations as well as small and mid-sized privately-owned companies. He has held executive level positions such as controller, chief financial officer and director of finance. His academic interests include corporate finance, personal finance, investments and manufacturing accounting.



#### **Esther Mas Serna**

Department of Foreign Languages & Literatures College of Humanities & Social Sciences

B.A., Tourism and Hospitality Management, Murcia University, Spain; B.A., Geography, Rowan University; M.A., Teaching and Learning the Spanish Language and its Culture, University of Granada, Spain

Ms. Mas, a native of Spain, comes to Rowan with ten years of teaching experience. For her master's thesis, she conducted a study to determine the attitudes of students towards the use of technology in the foreign language classroom. Ms. Mas teaches a broad range of undergraduate courses in Spanish with a primary emphasis on the introductory and intermediate levels. Additionally, she coordinates the Introductory Spanish Sequence and advises students on placement testing.



#### **Laura Shinn**

Department of Political Science & Economics College of Humanities & Social Sciences

B.S., Economics, University of Pennsylvania; M.A., Economics, Temple University; Ph.D., Economics, Temple University

Dr. Shinn teaches introductory courses in political science and economics. Her teaching interests include applied microeconomics, health economics and economic education. Her research includes diffusion of medical technology and end of life planning. She also has taught undergraduate and graduate courses at Temple University and Rutgers University. Before attending graduate school, Dr. Shinn was a management shareholder for an independent power developer, overseeing analysis of more than \$500 million in municipal bond and private equity investments in alternative energy projects. Dr. Shinn is a member of the American Society of Health Economists, the International Health Economic Association and Omicron Delta Epsilon.



Eve Sledjeski

Department of Psychology College of Science & Mathematics

B.S., Psychology, Mary Washington College; M.A., Experimental Health Psychology, Kent State University; Ph.D., Experimental Health Psychology, Kent State University

Dr. Sledjeski has teaching experience from Rowan University, Temple University and Kent State University. She teaches psychology courses in research methods and statistics at the undergraduate and graduate level. Her research interests focus on using person-centered statistics to examine the mental and physical health outcomes associated with traumatic stress exposure. More recently, her research has focused on the effectiveness of different classroom teaching styles (i.e. lecture vs. team-based learning) and other predictors of academic success. She has published more than 20 peer-reviewed articles in various academic venues including Journal of Traumatic Stress and Journal of Anxiety Disorders.



#### Joseph F. Stanzione III

Department of Chemical Engineering College of Engineering

B.S., Chemical Engineering, Drexel University; M.S., Chemical Engineering, Drexel University; Ph.D., Chemical Engineering, University of Delaware

Dr. Stanzione teaches Polymer Processing and Freshman and Sophomore Engineering Clinics. His teaching interests include thermodynamics, separations, reaction engineering, polymer science and engineering, green/sustainable chemistry and engineering and bio-based materials. His research interests include the use of lignin as an alternative renewable chemicals feedstock, lignin-based plastics and green chemistry and engineering for the development of next-generation lignocellulosic biorefineries. His work has been published in numerous journals including *Green Chemistry, ChemSusChem, ACS Sustainable Chemistry & Engineering, ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces* and *Journal of Applied Polymer Science*. While at the University of Delaware, Dr. Stanzione completed the Higher Education Teaching Certification program.



#### **Amy Woodworth**

Department of Writing Arts College of Communication & Creative Arts

B.A., Individualized Major (English, American Studies and Photography), New York University; M.A., English, Rutgers University-Newark; Ph.D. Candidate, English, Temple University

Ms. Woodworth teaches courses in writing and communication, including College Composition and Fiction to Film. Her current research is on the film genre of male melodrama and she previously has published her research on the films of Sofia Coppola. Prior to Rowan, she was a fellow at the Center for the Humanities at Temple University and taught courses in English, American Studies and Women's Studies at Temple University and Rutgers University-Newark.



#### **Tenure-track instructors (not pictured)**

#### **Matthew T. Bealor**

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Dr. Bealor's research goal is to understand the nature of behavioral interactions among animals with an emphasis on the roles that visual and chemical cues play in mediating social behavior, feeding and predator-prey interactions. He has worked as a field biologist for the United States Geological Survey in San Diego and as a senior instructor of behavioral neuroscience at the University of Colorado, Denver. As a full-time, temporary assistant professor at Rowan, Dr. Bealor brought his students to the 2012 and 2013 national meetings of the Animal Behavior Society to present their research results. His entire lab group is attending the 2014 meeting at Princeton University. Dr. Bealor has published in *Behaviour, Ethology, Authophagy, Journal of Herpetology* and *Herpetological Review*. He received three teaching awards at the University of Colorado.

#### Jennifer Lombardo

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B.S., Marketing, Rowan University; M.B.A., Marketing, Rowan University

Ms. Lombardo has been an adjunct professor for more than 12 years at Camden County College, Gloucester County College and Rowan. In the last three years, she owned the social media marketing consulting firm, The Marketing of Everything, where she helped small to mid-sized companies develop marketing strategies. She published a book called, *Social Media @ Work*, explaining how ordinary people and small businesses benefit from using social media. Before coming to Rowan, Ms. Lombardo worked in consumer/product marketing for companies such as Nielsen Marketing Research, The Dial Corporation, Pillsbury Foods and Mattel Toys. Her interests are in consumer behavior, promotion, social media, technology and product marketing.

#### Laura Mangini

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B.A., English Education, Indiana University of Pennsylvania; M.A., English, West Virginia University; Ph.D. Candidate, Composition and TESOL, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Ms. Mangini has taught first-year writing courses since 2005 including a variety of composition and rhetoric courses at West Virginia University, Kent State University, Rosemont College and Westmoreland County Community College. Her research interests include rhetoric, collaboration, feminist/critical theory, multimodal composition and writing in the disciplines. She teaches College Composition II, Foundations of College Writing, Professions in Writing Arts, Sophomore Engineering Clinic I, and Writing, Research & Technology.

#### **Behrooz Nazer**

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Ph.D., Organic Chemistry, Drexel University

Dr. Nazer has extensive teaching and industrial experience. He was a postdoctoral researcher at Purdue University, a senior chemist at Dow Chemical Company, an R&D scientist at DuPont Jackson Laboratory, a senior information scientist at DuPont Experimental Station and a senior research chemist at DuPont Surface Protection Manufacturing Group. He continues to serve as a consultant to DuPont Chambers Works. He has taught at Drexel University, Wilmington College and Salem Community College.



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