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NEXT FACULTY MEETING

The next Albright College faculty meeting is Wednesday, November 9, 2016, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Campus Center South Lounge. Snacks and beverages will be provided.

Featured Event

TRUSTEE FUND LECTURE: November 10, 2016: 4:30 p.m., Chapel

The faculty have invited Andrew Delbanco, Alexander Hamilton Professor of American Studies at Columbia University, to deliver the first lecture under the auspices of the Albright Trustees Faculty Fund. His lecture is titled: “What is College for?” Delbanco is the author of College: What it Was, Is, and Should Be, which argues that a true college education should be an exploratory time for students to discover their passions and test ideas and values. A scholar of American literature and culture, and a champion of the humanities and liberal education, Delbanco was awarded the National Humanities Medal by President Obama in 2012. Delbanco is the author of several books, including Melville: His World and Work, The Real American Dream, and Required Reading: Why Our American Classics Matter Now. His essays appear regularly in The New York Review of Books and other journals, on topics ranging from American literary and religious history to contemporary issues in higher education. A reception will follow the lecture. Please encourage your students to attend this experience event.

Featured Fact

Our official enrollment number as of October 1, 2016 is 1,863.

Faculty Professional Activities

Jon Bekken (Communications) chaired a research session of the Media Law & Policy division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communications conference in August. On September 30 he and co-author Fouad Kalouche (Philosophy) presented “Corporatization and Challenges to Shared Governance” at the American Association of University Professors Shared Governance Conference in Washington, DC. The exhibit on the life and legacy of Joe Hill that he co-guest curated with Alexis Buss at the American Swedish Historical Museum ended its one-year run Sept. 6.

Hilary Aquino (History) presented a paper “‘Mother Knows Best;’ Selling Public Health with 1950s Femininity” at the Discourses of Care: Care in the Media, Medicine, and Society conference in Glasgow UK.

Brian Glaze (Art) was a part of a group exhibition called "Americas," which took place from August 22 through September 30 in the Northwest Art Center at Minot State University, Minot, ND.

Richard Hamwi (Art) will have an exhibition of his watercolor paintings and collages at the Lancaster Art Association, November 20 to December 23, 2016. An opening reception will be held Sunday, November 20, 1:00 to 4:00 pm. The gallery is located at 149 Precision Avenue, Strasburg, PA 17579. Gallery hours are Thursday through Saturday, 11:00 am to 4:00 pm and Sunday, 1:00 to 4:00 pm.
Jennifer Koosed (Religious Studies) wrote the chapter “Sustenance and Survival in Biblical Narrative” for the Oxford Handbook of Biblical Narrative (edited by Danna Nolan Fewell, 2016). She has also been appointed the Editor in Chief of the Biblical Interpretation Series for Brill Press.


In October, 2016, Marian Wolbers (English; ADP Gen Ed Coordinator), published a 192-page book entitled Victor Emmanuel II Beneficial Society 100th Anniversary Commemoration. Wolbers served as creative project director for the book, compiling and writing interviews of longtime members of this Reading-based Italian-American Society, assembling historical documents, writing chapters, editing essays, and directing photographic content. The book was designed by Jan Abramowitz and printed by Reading Eagle Press. Three Albright English Composition instructors served as pro bono judges for seven original essays included in the book: Dr. Diane Conrad, Jim Gaffney, and Maria McDonnell.

Academic Affairs Division and Department News and Announcements

FaculTEA: November 17, 4:00 p.m., Gingrich Library Group Room
Damayanthie Eluwawalage will speak on “The History of Aviation Dress” in the Library’s Group Room A&B. FaculTEAS are Experience Events. If you are interested in presenting a FaculTEA for the Spring semester, please contact Lindsay Sakmann at x7212 or lsakmann@albright.edu.

Writing Center News
In addition to in-person tutoring, the Writing Center now offers online chat tutoring as an option for all students. We hope this option will allow a wider range of students to have access to the Writing Center and will facilitate learning in a variety of “learning styles.” If you have any questions, please contact us at writingcenter@albright.edu or 610-921-7854 (Rachel Liberatore).

On a Personal Note
We are all deeply saddened by the unexpected death of our colleague Fouad Kalouche, Associate Professor of Philosophy, who died October 20, in Cuba, where he was celebrating his 50th birthday with friends. We are in contact with his family and will share more news as we have it. Dr. Kalouche joined Albright’s faculty in 2003; his contributions to our learning community will be greatly missed. We will find a time to gather together in the weeks ahead to remember and honor him. I am grateful to the many people in our community who have worked together to honor Fouad's commitment to teaching and to his students, as we make arrangements for the continuation of his courses this semester, especially our philosophy colleagues, Dr. Lisa Bellantoni and Dr. Kristen Zacharias, as well as Chaplain Paul Clark, and Dr. Brenda Ingram-Wallace (Psychology), Director of the Counseling Center, who joined us in our initial class meetings with Dr. Kalouche’s students.