Was it really only a month ago that we joined together at Opening Convocation and heard the inspiring and witty address of our colleague Professor Patricia Turning. Her convocation address to our new students as well as so many other wonderful events around welcome weekend launched a great start to the new academic year. Dr. Jacquelyn Fetrow’s presence and leadership is also invigorating as she begins her tenure as Albright’s 15th president. I hope many of you have signed up for one of her small group listen and learn discussions, which inform, among other things, her monthly emails to our community. When we celebrate her installation on October 27, we also celebrate Albright’s heritage, values, and future, which Jacque, Albright’s first alumna to serve as president, so well represents. Join us for that campus-wide celebration.

This fall we welcome back several of our faculty who have been on leave. Samira Mehta (Religious Studies) returns from her fellowship year at the Library of Congress. Five of our colleagues are returning after their spring 2017 sabbaticals: Devon Mason (Physics), Archie Perrin (German/Art History); Robert Seesengood (Religious Studies); Barry Thompson (Anthropology); and Lisa Wilder (Business, Accounting, & Economics). During the year we will have opportunities to hear about their sabbatical work. Bridget Hearon, Assistant Professor of Psychology, is on family leave for the fall.

We also welcome five visiting faculty, including two Albright alumni, who are joining us for the 2017-18 academic year. Fuller bios on each of them was circulated via AllNet in August.

Jonathan Geruntho, ’10, PhD, Visiting Assistant Professor of Chemistry
Dr. Jonathan Geruntho earned his BS in Biochemistry from Albright in 2010, doing research under the guidance of Professor Ian Rhile, which solidified his goal to pursue graduate work in chemistry. Jon earned his PhD in Chemistry from Washington State University in Pullman, WA, where he developed a linker for cancer therapeutics that results in controlled release dependent on pH. He joins us this year to teach in the organic chemistry and general chemistry curricula.

Adam Owenz, ’03, MBA, Visiting Assistant Professor of Marketing
An Albright alumnus who earned his BS in Marketing magna cum laude, Adam Owenz continued his studies in business and management at Kutztown University, where he was awarded the MBA magna cum laude. A creative marketer, manager and educator with 12 years of experience in marketing, sales, business development, fundraising, communications, and team leadership, Adam has taught at Florida International University and Millersville University. From 2005-2006 he served as the Assistant Director of Albright College’s Annual Fund.

Artress White, PhD, Visiting Assistant Professor of American Cultural Studies
Having recently relocated to the Philadelphia area, poet and essayist, Dr. Artress Bethany White, joins us as Visiting Assistant Professor of American Cultural Studies for the year. Dr. White received her BA from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, an MA in Creative Writing and
American Literature from New York University, and her PhD in English from the University of Kentucky. Artress comes to us from Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, TN, where she served on the faculty for over 10 years. A widely published author, her collection of poems, *Fast Fat Girls In Pink Hot Pants*, was published by Aldabra Press in 2012. She was nominated for the Pushcart Prize in Poetry in 2014 and 2015 and was a finalist for the 2014 Knightville Poetry Contest.

*Visiting Fulbright Language Instructors for 2017-18*

**Luca Bazzi Otero**, Visiting Instructor of Spanish
Fulbright recipient Luca Bazzi Otero from Spain received a Bachelor's Degree in Translation and Interpretation with a specialty in English and French from the Universitat Pompeu Fabra in Barcelona, Spain. He completed his Master's Degree in Teaching Spanish as a Foreign Language at the Universidad Nebrija in Madrid, and has worked as a Spanish teacher in Paris, Martinique, and Madrid.

**Chloé Anne Grosse**, Visiting Instructor of French
Fulbright recipient Chloé Grosse from France received her Bachelor’s Degree in English Literature and Civilization from the Sorbonne in Paris. She completed a Master’s Degree at the Sorbonne to become an English teacher and taught for one year in a high school in Paris. Last year Chloé returned to the Sorbonne to earn a higher English teaching diploma called the “agrégation.”

**Celebrating Faculty and Staff Promotions**
Effective with the start of this academic year, Dr. Susan Hughes is now Professor of Psychology; Dr. Justin Couchman has been promoted to Associate Professor of Psychology, and Dr. Patricia Turning to Associate Professor of History. We celebrate their many accomplishments and accolades in teaching, scholarship, and service that have contributed to their promotions.

**Rebecca Lemmel**, Director of the Academic Learning Center (ALC), after several highly successful years in that leadership position, has now been named Assistant Dean. Becky Makowiecki, after 6 years of growing responsibility in the ALC and her recent graduation, *summa cum laude*, from Albright’s Organizational Behavior/Applied Psychology program, has been promoted to Tutor Coordinator.

Please join me in celebrating the many and diverse accomplishments of our faculty, staff, and students. See below for more details.

**RECENT FACULTY AND STAFF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

**Jon Bekken** (Communication) will manage design and production of the journal *Teaching Journalism & Mass Communication*, an open access refereed journal published by the Small Programs Interest Group of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. Two book reviews have been accepted for publication: “Citizen Journalism: Global Perspectives volume 2.” *Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly* (in production) and “Media and Culture in the U.S. Jewish Labor Movement.” *American Journalism* (next issue).

Fashion Group International Philadelphia invited **Doreen Burdalski** (Fashion) to work with Kevin Parker, Co-CEO and producer of Philly Fashion Week LLC, to develop a student runway show/design competition to be a part of Philly Fashion Week in 2018.
This summer, 11 high school students from Pennsylvania, Virginia, and New Jersey, attended the first-ever Summer Fashion Studio at Albright College. During the five-day camp, students explored design concepts, illustration, computer aided design, merchandising, and created their own “Alternative Creations” which were on display during a runway fashion show for family members. The workshops were led by Doreen Burdalski, Paula Trimpey, MeeAe Oh-Ranck, and Amanda Condict. Because of the popularity and success of the camp, next year’s camp has been scheduled and an additional day has been added.

Joseph Cunningham (Business, Accounting and Economics) presented a budgeting basics program to high school students who were participating in Philadelphia Youth Network’s Work Ready Program at Thomas Jefferson University on July 21, 2017 and also participated as a committee member of the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants' (PICPA) Educator of the Year Selection Committee for 2017. Joseph also co-presented "Connections for Comprehension" - Linking Content throughout the Curriculum on June 29, 2017 at the annual PICPA's Educator's Conference. This completes 6 years of service in planning the annual conference in addition to other committees he serves on.


Adam Hersperger (Biology) recently published a manuscript in the journal Virology titled "Ectromelia virus accumulates less double-stranded RNA compared to vaccinia virus in BS-C-1 cells." Tiffany Frey '17 and Colton Ryan '16 are co-authors on the article. The write-up on the College's website can be found using the following link: http://www.albright.edu/news/releases/aug/MousepoxRNA.html.

Karen Jogan (Spanish) was an invited keynote speaker at the IV Iberoamerican Congress on Learning Styles hosted in July by the University of Concepción, Chile. Her talk was titled "High impact strategies for teaching and learning." She also presented a pre-conference workshop on assessment planning for university administrators from throughout Latin America. Later in the summer, she was keynote speaker for the 25th Annual Convention of Peru TESOL (Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages): “Transformative pathways: teaching and learning with 21st century technology.” The convention was held July 30 through August 2 at Cesar Vallejo University, Chiclayo Lambayeque, Perú.

Irene Langran (Political Science) and Soma Ghosh (Business, Accounting and Economics) delivered keynote addresses to the Freedoms Foundation Service Learning in Public Policy Program. The program, held in August, is designed to challenge students to explore issues in public policy. Langran delivered the address on Public Health and Ghosh delivered the address on Economic Policy.

Kate Lehman (Communications) presented her paper "'Feminism isn’t Finished': Women’s Work and Sexual Politics in Amazon’s Good Girls Revolt" at the Console-ing Passions Conference on
Television, Video, Audio, New Media, and Feminism at East Carolina University in Greenville, NC, on July 29.

**Steve Mech** (Biology) was elected as a Director At-Large for the Pennsylvania Academy of Science in April and was appointed co-chair of the Public Education Committee of the American Society of Mammalogists in August. Steve is also a coauthor on the article “Spatial variation in sexual size dimorphism of the American black bear (*Ursus americanus*) in eastern North America” recently published in The Southwestern Naturalist.

**Samira Mehta** (Religious Studies) received a University Seminars subvention grant from Columbia University to aid in production costs for her forthcoming monograph, *Beyond Chrismukkah: Christian-Jewish Interfaith Families in the United States.*

**John C. Morgan** (SPS) has a new book out about the first American tried and jailed under the 1798 Alien and Sedition Act for criticizing then President John Adams. *Resist Tyranny* is available on Amazon. John also is now a regular columnist for the Mercury Newspapers, covering Montgomery County.

On July 17-20, **MeeAe Oh-Ranck** (Fashion) attended the Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) Educator Forum in Savannah, GA, which provided the opportunity to meet other researchers and professors working toward the goal of being responsible players in the ever-evolving world of Fashion and Design.

**MeeAe Oh-Ranck**’s (Fashion) presentation, “Ethical and Social Responsibility Concerns Addressed with Digital Printing Techniques” was presented by **Sara O. Nelson** (Fashion), at the 43rd Costume Society of America’s National symposium in Portland, ME, May 29-June 4.

**Suzanne Palmer** (Business, Accounting & Economics) attended the Northeast Association of Pre-Law Advisors (NAPLA) annual conference in Pittsburgh, and the Academy of Legal Studies in Business (ALSB) annual conference in Savannah. She reviewed for Proceedings for the ALSB and, at the conference, presented her paper, *Student Issues in Copyright: Policy and Risk Management Considerations*, and moderated a session on Ethics & CSR.

**Lindsay Phillips** (SPS Psychology) wrote a chapter entitled, "Overcoming Barriers to Service Learning in Higher Education" for the edited book, *Service Learning: Perspectives, Goals and Outcomes.* This chapter was co-authored by Jill Marron (Widener University) and the following graduates of the SPS Psychology program: Carolyn Baltzer, Chris Kichline, Lisa Filoon, and Cynthia Whitley.

**Nicholas Piro** (Chemistry & Biochemistry) was awarded a grant from the Petroleum Research Fund of the American Chemical Society for his research into “New Chelating Guanidine Ligands for Late First-row Transition Metals and Their Use in Oxidative Transformations of Organic Substrates”. This grant will help to support research efforts in his lab for the next two years, including funding for undergraduate researchers.

**Bonnie Rohde** (Business) attended the Americas Conference for Information Systems, Boston, Massachusetts, August 9 through the 11, where she participated in the “invitation only” doctoral consortium. She received valuable feedback on her dissertation topic from established scholars representing Boston College, Georgia State University, Case Western Reserve University, University of Arizona, and Massachusetts Institute of Technology. She also received a $1000 scholarship and attended the United States Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship Go Deep
Entrepreneurship Teaching and Learning Scholars Program, August 13 through the 18 in Calgary, Canada. During this one-week intensive training program held at the University of Calgary, she participated in a mastermind group of entrepreneurship program leaders from University of California Irvine, Michigan University, University of Memphis, and University of Virginia. Bonnie submitted a grant application for the 2018 Kauffman Dissertation Fellowship sponsored by the Kauffman Foundation. The Kauffman Dissertation Fellowship is an annual competitive program that awards up to 20 Dissertation Fellowship grants of $20,000 each to Ph.D., D.B.A., or other doctoral students at accredited U.S. universities to support dissertations in the area of entrepreneurship. Bonnie also completed a Graduate Certificate in Management of Information Systems from Wilmington University that included courses in Data Management, Analysis, Modeling, and Design, Data Communications and Networking, Project and Change Management and IT Policy and Strategy.


Gwendolyn Seidman (Psychology) has implemented an OER replacement textbook for APS 900 Organizational Behavior for the School of Professional Studies. The course begins on September 11th.

Matt Sonntag (Chemistry and Biochemistry), hosted a session titled "Engaging Undergraduates with Raman Spectroscopy" at the ACS National Meeting in Washington DC. He presented a paper "Combining Raman, IR, and Computational Chemistry to Understand Selection Rules" and a poster, with Chris Hamann, "Connecting Organic and Physical Chemistry Students with Raman Spectroscopy".

Doug Stenberg (Education) played Nick Bottom in the Berks County Parks & Recreation Department production of *A Midsummer Night’s Dream* at Gring’s Mill on June 24 & 25. Kris Savell ’18 was the stage manager, and Ben Foreman ’19 performed the music.

Bonnie Stoltz (SPS – Business) has implemented an OER replacement textbook for BUS 952 Management of Information Systems for the School of Professional Studies. The course began on August 8th.

ELCDC News
If you are going to be at a conference don’t cancel your class! We can tailor a session for your students, whether it’s resume writing, the ins and outs of studying abroad, or careers/jobs for a particular industry or major. We are also available to come to your class for 10 to 15 minutes to talk to your students about our services. Call 7630 or email us at elcdc@albright.edu.

School of Professional Studies News
As part of its strategic planning, the School of Professional Studies has undertaken an initiative to develop open educational resourced textbooks for its courses. The Hewlett Foundation, a significant supporter of the OER movement, defines open educational resources as “high-quality teaching, learning, and research materials that are free for people everywhere to use and repurpose.” We believe that our students will be well-served by moving in this direction and we also see an opportunity for Albright to be a leader among liberal arts college in this emerging area of higher education. OER is often misunderstood as online resources or online textbooks; however, OER textbooks are available in affordably priced printed texts as well as online.
In the first four months of this initiative, Albright has seventeen such OER textbooks in production, each corresponding to a particular SPS course. Each OER textbook involves a collaborative team of experts from Gingrich Library, IT Services Instructional Design staff, and the faculty. While moving to OER texts is a cost-saving measure, it is also a significant opportunity for innovation and collaboration.

**STUDENT NEWS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**Hillary Murdoch**, a graduate of the SPS Psychology program, presented her research project, “Sibling Rivalry: Considerations of Gender and Life Stage,” at the 125th annual meeting of the American Psychological Association in Washington, D.C. Her faculty sponsor and co-author was Professor **Lindsay Phillips** (SPS Psychology). This research was featured on livescience.com, Yahoo News, Huffington Post, and several online news outlets.

In a separate email, we will be sharing with you the names of students in the traditional program placed on **Dean’s List** after Spring 2017 based on their outstanding academic achievements.

**Summer 2017 Student-Faculty ACRE Projects**

A wonderfully diverse array of Albright Creative Research Experiences enriched our campus this summer, with some of our students heading to forests, eastern shores, and western cities to pursue their research. Each ACRE student presented their research to the campus over a series of three nights this September.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS in OCTOBER**

For additional events, including many of the arts and performance events coming up, consult the CFA calendar and website. Also see the online calendar of Experience Events.

**Berks Bar Lecture Series:** Monday, October 2, 7:30 p.m., Wachovia Theatre  
Speaker: Selina MacLaren, Stanton Foundation Free Press/National Security Legal Fellow Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press  
Presentation: *Leaks, Lies, and Litigation: The Press’s Challenges in Holding Government Accountable*

**Facul-Tea:** Thursday, October 5, 4:00 p.m., Library Group A/B Study Room  
Speaker: Demi Eluwavalage  
Presentation: *History of Fashion and Clothing Advertisements*

**Homecoming Weekend:** Friday, October 6 and Saturday, October 7

**Faculty Meeting:** Wednesday, October 11, 4:00 p.m., Campus Center South Lounge
October Teaching and Learning Conversation: Friday, October 20, 2:00 p.m., Faculty Club

Leo Camp Lecture Series: Tuesday, October 24, 7:00 p.m., MPK Chapel
   Speaker: Jeffrey Rosen, Chief Executive Officer, National Constitution Center
   Presentation: The U.S. Constitution: Honoring the Past, Imagining the Future

Chemistry and Biochemistry Lecture Series: Thursday, October 26, 4:30 p.m., Science Center 256
   Speaker: Helen Hopfer, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Food Science, Penn State
   Presentation: Where Chemistry meets Humans: Combining Sensory Science and Flavor Chemistry

Presidential Inauguration: Friday, October 27, 3:30 p.m., Science Field (Rain Location: MPK Chapel)

Faculty Forum: Fourth Hour of Quality: Monday, October 30, 4:00-5:30 p.m.
   Campus Center South Lounge – Fireside

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world. --Nelson Mandela