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Faculty Awards

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2020 – 2021 Faculty Awards

Faculty Senate Outstanding Faculty Service Awards recognize faculty who have performed outstanding service to their schools, colleges and the university community.

The Stauffer Award was created in 1973 by the late Joan D. Willson, CPH '39, widow of Dr. Herbert M. Stauffer, in honor of her late husband and his father, Dr. Milton F. Stauffer. The award recognizes outstanding faculty service and recognizes one faculty member annually whose service extends beyond the classroom and university community.

Part-Time Faculty Excellence in Teaching and Instruction Awards recognize part-time faculty members for their high-quality pedagogy; efforts to evaluate, assess and improve one's own teaching; and mentorship fostering academic and professional achievements of students. Three awards are given annually to part-time faculty members.

The Provost's Award for Teaching Excellence in General Education recognizes faculty excellence in GenEd course development and teaching.

Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation Awards for Distinguished Teaching recognize academic excellence, outstanding teaching and exceptional achievements and accomplishments. Established in 1967 by the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation of Philadelphia, the awards honor faculty members who epitomize the highest levels of sustained teaching distinction in the classroom, research laboratory or clinical setting.

Faculty Research and Creative Achievement Awards recognize outstanding research and creativity. The two research awards highlight excellence and major contributions in one's field. The Faculty Award for Creative Achievement recognizes accomplishments in writing, performing arts and other disciplines.

The Great Teacher Award recognizes outstanding faculty members for their continuous excellence and contributions to teaching. Created in 1988 by the Board of Trustees, recipients' names are engraved on the Great Teachers Wall in the Founder's Garden on Main Campus.

FACULTY SENATE OUTSTANDING FACULTY SERVICE AWARD

Shohreh Amini

Professor

Department of Biology

College of Science and Technology

Michael L. Klein, Dean

Shohreh Amini joined Temple in 1998 and has served the department, college and university community on numerous committees including department chair from 2002-2010. During her teaching career at Temple, she has held professorships in the Neuroscience and Biology departments. A previous member of the advisory board of the Center for Advancement of Teaching (formerly the Teaching and Learning Center), Amini is also on the steering committees for STEM Education and Research at Temple and the Professional Science Masters Programs in Biotechnology and Bioinnovation.

At the university level, she has been deeply engaged with the Faculty Senate, serving on the Educational Policies & Procedures Committee and the Personnel & Policies Hearing Committee. She also is a member of the Faculty Senate Steering Committee and previously served as the chair of the Faculty Senate Library Committee. Other university committees on which she serves include the Environmental Health and Safety Committee and the University Radiation Safety Committee, as well as on numerous NIH grant application study sections.

Amini received the 2012 Great Teacher Award for her excellence in scholarship and dedication to providing a quality education to her students and the 2009 Lindback Award. She obtained her MS from the University of Tehran's International Institute of Biochemistry and Biophysics and immigrated to the United States to earn a PhD at the University of Pennsylvania.

FACULTY SENATE OUTSTANDING FACULTY SERVICE AWARD

Cynthia J. Folio

Chair and Professor

Department of Music Studies

Boyer College of Music and Dance

Center for the Performing and Cinematic Arts

Robert T. Stroker, Dean and Vice Provost for the Arts

Cynthia Folio began her Temple career in 1990 after ten years of teaching at Texas Christian University. In addition to teaching theory and composition courses at the undergraduate and graduate levels, she also performs as a flutist with several local groups and previously played for the Fort Worth Symphony, Opera and Ballet Orchestras.

Folio earned her MA and PhD from the Eastman School of Music. Since joining Temple, she served as chair of music theory for seven years, the Collegial Assembly, the Faculty Senate and many search committees. She was a member of the Provost's Teaching Academy, advised 15 doctoral dissertations and served on 50 doctoral defenses. She is also the recipient of a 1996 Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching and the 2012 Creative Achievement Award.

During her time as the chair of the Music Studies department, Folio started a music technology program at the undergraduate and graduate levels alongside her colleague Dr. Steven Kreinberg. Together, they helped the program blossom. Folio was also able to organize an array of changes for the undergraduate music program which now includes more elective options, world music, and an internship program that has helped increase enrollment.

Folio supervised the move to put all music theory and history placement tests and remedial courses online—just in time for the pandemic. Utilizing a Temple research grant, she was able to initiate the Young Women Composer's Camp (YWCC) which allowed high school students who have an interest in music composition to participate in the summer camp.

FACULTY SENATE OUTSTANDING FACULTY SERVICE AWARD

Mark C. Rahdert

Professor of Law

James E. Beasley School of Law

Gregory N. Mandel, Dean and Peter J. Liacouras Chair

Mark Rahdert has been a Beasley School of Law faculty member since 1984. During that time, he has taught many courses, with primary emphasis on constitutional law and torts. He is an award-winning author of books and scholarly articles on an array of topics including torts, insurance, civil liberties, executive power, federal jurisdiction and comparative constitutional law. With publications in the ABA Journal and National Law Journal, Rahdert is also a political correspondent covering topics from Supreme Court nominations to tort reform and insurance.

From 1999-2003 he served as the Law School's associate dean of academic affairs, and he has held two Law School faculty chairs: I. Herman Stern Professor of Law and Charles Klein Professor of Law & Government. In addition to serving on a wide range of Law School faculty committees, Rahdert has served as president, vice president, secretary and longtime Steering Committee member of the University Faculty Senate. He is currently chair of the Faculty Senate Personnel Committee and has previously served on the Educational Programs and Policies Committee, the Budget Review Committee, the Faculty Herald Advisory Committee and many other Senate and university committees.

Rahdert holds an AB degree from Harvard University and a JD degree from Yale Law School. Prior to joining Temple's faculty, he served as law clerk to federal Judge Murray I. Gurfein and Supreme Court Justice Harry A. Blackmun, as well as practicing law at the Philadelphia law firm of Dechert Price & Rhoads.

FACULTY SENATE OUTSTANDING FACULTY SERVICE AWARD

Daniel B. Szyld

Professor

Department of Mathematics

College of Science and Technology

Michael L. Klein, Dean

Daniel B. Szyld began his teaching career at Temple in 1990 following several years as an assistant professor at Duke University. He obtained his PhD at New York University's Courant Institute after studying mathematics as an undergraduate in his native Buenos Aires. Szyld's research interests include numerical linear algebra and matrix computations, preconditioning, Schwarz methods and domain decomposition, and Krylov subspace methods. He's also worked on asynchronous parallel methods for the solution of linear and non-linear problems on high-performance computers.

In addition to his position as a professor, Szyld is currently the president of the International Linear Algebra Society and formerly served as the vice-president at-large of the Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM). He also served on multiple committees in these organizations, as well as in the Association for Women in Mathematics. At Temple, Szyld served on the University Tenure and Promotions Committee, the Senate Committee of Women Faculty and the Latino Initiative Committee.

Szyld values the importance of mentorship, supervising ten doctoral students who later obtained their PhD degrees at Temple and five postdoctoral fellows during his career. Szyld serves as editor of several leading journals on applied and numerical linear algebra and numerical analysis including the Electronic Transactions on Numerical Analysis and the SIAM Journal on Matrix Analysis and Applications. He is the author of over 140 research papers featuring over 100 collaborators from 22 countries, as well as a forthcoming book *Metabolic Networks, Elementary Flux Modes, and Polyhedral Cones*, co-authored by his Temple colleagues Isaac Klapper and Kai Zhao.

STAUFFER AWARD

Mary Conran

Associate Professor of Practice

Department of Marketing and Supply Chain Management

Fox School of Business

Ronald Anderson, Dean

Mary Conran is an associate professor in the Department of Marketing and Supply Chain Management (MSCM) at the Fox School of Business. She is responsible for development and presentation of introductory, intermediate and advanced undergraduate and graduate level marketing courses. As chief academic officer of Temple University's Rome campus, Conran works with faculty and staff to integrate the academic programs and serves as the primary academic liaison with Main Campus faculty and departments and works with the dean to develop new academic programs for the Rome Program.

Prior to her appointment to Temple Rome, Conran served as the MSCM department's academic programs coordinator. In this role she coordinated schedules, administered graduate and undergraduate academic programs, managed student co-curricular programs and stakeholder outreach. Conran served on several university committees including Faculty Senate Committees (e.g. International Programs, General Education, SFF) as well as serving as an elected Faculty Senate member representing the Fox School.

Additionally, Conran taught at Temple University's Rome campus during Summer 2005, 2011 and 2014 and led graduate and undergraduate students on study abroad programs to Italy, France, Ghana, India and Vietnam. She taught at University College Dublin in Dublin, Ireland in spring 2015 and Oviedo, Spain in summer 2015.

Conran joined Temple University part-time in 1993 before joining the university full-time in 2001. She received her Master of Business Administration in International Business in May 1981 and her Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing from Temple University in August 1979.

PART-TIME FACULTY EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING
AND INSTRUCTION AWARD

Phillip M. Crosby

Adjunct Associate Professor

Department of Architecture

Tyler School of Art and Architecture

Susan E. Cahan, Dean

Phillip Crosby has taught at Temple University since 2010, including graduate architectural theory seminars, undergraduate urban design studios and the final two required courses in the undergraduate history and theory of architecture sequence. According to a former student, “Phillip’s personality and teaching method is infectious.” As another former student says, “He always makes time for his students ... because he knows you need the extra time so you can perform to the best of your abilities.”

Crosby’s teaching philosophy is centered around his belief that architecture is a way of understanding our world and our place in it. Rather than approaching architecture as an autonomous discipline, his courses explore the myriad ways architecture both influences and is influenced by its embedment within contemporary culture. His teaching traverses both the internal and external disciplinary boundaries of architecture, emboldening his students to think critically about their own work, their own education, and their own places within the world that they will help change.

Crosby holds a bachelor of design in architecture from the University of Florida, a master of architecture from the Georgia Institute of Technology and a master of science in architectural history and theory from the University of Pennsylvania.

PART-TIME FACULTY EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING
AND INSTRUCTION AWARD

Julie Rae Herskovitz

Adjunct Instructor

Department of English/First Year Writing Program

College of Liberal Arts

Richard E. Deeg, Dean

Julie Herskovitz is recognized as a caring teacher focused on whole-student learning. Herskovitz's pedagogy is anchored by both Gardner's Multiple Intelligence Theory and Maslow's hierarchy of needs. She believes that educational outcomes matter secondary to a students' wellbeing and acknowledges that students who feel safe to speak their mind and to make errors are the ones who progress the most.

One of her greatest loves is returning to campus each semester and teaching. Demonstrational and student-centered learning rule her classroom and create dynamic classroom discussions. Herskovitz values flexibility. She works hard to meet students at their individual levels, and she acknowledges that not all students learn the same or have the same base skills. Her strength in relationship-building as a method to create safe and respectful learning environments has proven key to her students' success.

As a faculty member in the First Year Writing Program (FYWP), Herskovitz primarily teaches both ENG701 and ENG802, as well as their ESL counterparts ENG711 and ENG812. Recently, Herskovitz was inducted into the FYWP Teaching Hall of Fame, a status awarded to faculty who received five Excellence in Teaching Awards within the department.

Temple University feels like home to Herskovitz, who earned her bachelor of arts in theater at Temple. She also earned her master of education and master of arts at Arcadia University.

PART-TIME FACULTY EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AND INSTRUCTION AWARD

Carl Williams

Adjunct Instructor

Department of Computer and Information Sciences

College of Science and Technology

Michael L. Klein, Dean

Carl Williams teaches senior- and master-level courses in computer networking, microservice software engineering and emerging technologies and tools for Enterprise Management. He uses a Platonian method for sharing information via open discussions and habitual student executive summaries on contemplations from engineering concepts to incorporation into Information Technology deployment and adoption.

An objective for Williams is to have a form of cooperative dialogue between individuals, based on asking and answering questions to stimulate critical thinking and to draw out ideas and underlying presuppositions. Williams has spent his career in software engineering and computer networking with recent emphasis on cloud computing. He was always drawn to working with students and previously taught at San Jose State University and Kent State University as well as serving in leadership positions in the new Internet protocol IPv6 which he was recently nominated and inducted into the Internet Hall of Fame.

Williams seeks to enhance student experiences by critical analysis and problem-solving skills that advance academic pursuits through real-world application of technology and innovations. He has worked with ACM/ACM-W leaders at Temple to bring in relevant industry leaders on topics related to his teaching. Williams' focus is to show the evolution of computer science technologies and stimulate the student's intellectual curiosity as well as the realization of what is possible for them as a result of a successful academic experience at Temple University.

Williams received his BS and MS in computer science from Kent State University, Kent, Ohio.

Bradley Gardener

Associate Professor of Instruction

Department of Geography and Urban Studies

College of Liberal Arts

Richard E. Deeg, Dean

Bradley Gardener is an associate professor in the Department of Geography and Urban Studies and also teaches courses in the Department of Environment Studies. His commitment to online course design and strategic digital communication allowed him to thrive in a difficult year for faculty, students and administrators. He proudly served as the CLA Online Teaching Coordinator for his department in the 2020-2021 academic year.

His greatest passion is teaching General Education classes. While most instructors are frustrated by large non-major classes, he relishes the opportunity to teach new skills to students from diverse backgrounds. Students regularly miss out on life-changing opportunities because they lack confidence in math. Gardener encourages students to take a fresh perspective on previous shortcomings by mixing positive reinforcement with accountability and skill-based learning.

Before arriving at Temple, Gardener was an instructor at CUNY School of Professional Studies and a Post-Doctoral GIS Teaching Fellow at Middlebury College. In 2016, Gardener completed a post-doctoral teaching fellowship in GIS at Middlebury College. Returning to Temple, he worked on his craft under the watchful eye of several mentors.

Gardener's cross-cultural teaching methods have allowed him to develop his instruction for international education. Before the pandemic started, Gardener had grand plans to teach at Temple University's Japan Campus. He hopes that he can continue to learn Japanese and spread his popular brand of pedagogy abroad in the near future. Gardener received his PhD from CUNY in geological and earth sciences/geosciences, his MA from Binghamton University in geography and his BA in Binghamton University in environmental resource management and GIS.

CHRISTIAN R. AND MARY F. LINDBACK FOUNDATION
AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED TEACHING

Leora F. Eisenstadt

Associate Professor

Department of Legal Studies

Fox School of Business

Ronald Anderson, Dean

Leora Eisenstadt is an associate professor in the Department of Legal Studies, a Murray Shusterman Research Fellow and the founding director of the Center for Ethics, Diversity and Workplace Culture. Eisenstadt teaches business law including Legal and Policy Issues in the Workplace and the Pre-Law Internship Seminar in which she places students in various internship disciplines. Eisenstadt also chairs a dissertation committee in the Executive DBA program and serves as an external reader on dissertation committees.

Eisenstadt's scholarship focuses on employment law, race and sex discrimination and whistleblowing. Her recent publications include: *Suppressed Anger, Retaliation Doctrine, and Workplace Culture*, *Fluid Identity Discrimination*, *The N-Word at Work: Contextualizing Language in the Workplace*, and *Whistleblowing in the Compliance Era*, among others. Her work has earned her numerous awards including the Virginia Maurer Distinguished Ethics Paper Award (2020), the Fox School Award for Excellence in Policy Research (2019) and the Jackson Lewis Outstanding Employment Law Paper Award (2017, 2018, 2019). Eisenstadt's scholarship and commentary has been featured in the Wall Street Journal, the San Francisco Chronicle, the Dallas Morning News and the Atlanta Journal Constitution.

Eisenstadt earned her BA at Yale University and JD at New York University School of Law. She was a Fulbright Fellow in Israel and served as a law clerk to the Honorable R. Barclay Surrick. Prior to joining the faculty at Fox, Eisenstadt spent several years practicing law at Dechert LLP and was a Freedman Teaching Fellow and Lecturer in Law at Temple University's Beasley School of Law.

CHRISTIAN R. AND MARY F. LINDBACK FOUNDATION
AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED TEACHING

Kathleen M. Giangiacomo

Associate Professor

Department of Medical Genetics and Molecular Biochemistry

Lewis Katz School of Medicine

John M. Daly, Dean

Kathleen Giangiacomo is an associate professor of medical genetics and molecular biochemistry at the Lewis Katz School of Medicine (LKSOM). As a scientist and educator, Giangiacomo enjoys sharing her passion for learning with her students. Throughout her career Giangiacomo's teaching expertise has been recognized. In 2017, she received the Dawn Marks Memorial Award for her dedication to LKSOM graduate students. She later received the LKSOM Excellence in Education Award in 2019 for her teaching of post-baccalaureate students. Recently, Giangiacomo received the LKSOM Excellence in Educational Service Award for her contributions to the LKSOM and Temple University education community.

Currently, she teaches and directs courses in biochemistry and endocrinology to students in the graduate student, medical, post-baccalaureate, physician assistant, dental and podiatry programs. She also directs an online MCAT Biochemistry Course through the Department of Continuing Education.

Giangiacomo is known for her expertise in ligand binding and potassium channel structure and function and has published numerous peer-reviewed and review articles on the subject. She enjoys applying her research expertise and knowledge to all of aspects of her teaching from graduate student PhD thesis committees, graduate student seminars to health professional teaching. Prior to joining the faculty at Temple in 1993, she earned her BA in biology from Temple and her PhD in biochemistry from the University of Pennsylvania. Giangiacomo completed a post-doctoral fellowship at Merck Sharp and Dohme.

CHRISTIAN R. AND MARY F. LINDBACK FOUNDATION
AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED TEACHING

Kelly Holohan

Professor, Program Head of Graphic and Interactive Design
Department of Graphic & Interactive Design
Tyler School of Art and Architecture
Susan E. Cahan, Dean

Kelly Holohan's teaching practice parallels her research interests by fostering the idea that the work of a designer has an impact on the human experience. She is concerned with using design to do more than selling a product or service—to convey messages that serve a greater good. Pillars of her teaching philosophy focus on the importance of collaboration to help create richer design experiences by seeking diverse perspectives and cultivating empathy, both in and out of the classroom. Elizabeth Resnick's book, *Developing Citizen Designers*, features a Philadelphia community partnership project developed as part of Holohan's graduate curriculum at Tyler.

As an active participant in the design community, she has served in leadership roles at the American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA), the professional organization for design in the Philadelphia chapter, including Education chair, vice president and president. Holohan's design research has been featured in many publications and exhibitions, including *Applied Arts Annual*; *Art Directors Club of Philadelphia*; *Communication Arts Design Annual*; *Graphis Design*; *Graphis Posters*; *HOW International Design Annual*; *Print Regional Design Annual*; *AIGA Philadelphia Design Awards (PDA)* and *Segunda Llamada International Poster Competition*. The Herskovits Library of African Studies at Northwestern University and the Poster House in New York City include her work in their collections.

She received her BS in graphic design from The College of St. Rose and MFA in visual studies from Tyler School of Art and Architecture.

CHRISTIAN R. AND MARY F. LINDBACK FOUNDATION
AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED TEACHING

Mohammad F. Kiani

Professor

Departments of Mechanical Engineering, Bioengineering, and
Radiation Oncology

College of Engineering

Keyanoush Sadeghipour, Dean

Mohammad Kiani is an interdisciplinary scholar with a significant background in teaching, research, entrepreneurship and international service and education. His research specializes in leukocyte biology, microfluid systems and target drug delivery. He served as the chair of Department of Mechanical Engineering at Temple University (2004-2014) and Department of Biomedical Engineering at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center (2003-2004).

At Temple University, he has not only played a leading role in developing and expanding the educational and research programs in the College of Engineering, but also has been a strong proponent of general education. Furthermore, he developed the proposal that led to the establishment of our new Department of Bioengineering at Temple in 2013. He is the co-founder and past president of Engineering World Health which is a major nonprofit organization delivering healthcare infrastructure and engineering support to several hospitals in Africa, Central America and Asia.

He has received several scholarly awards for research and teaching including the prestigious Established Investigator Award from the American Heart Association and his research has been continuously funded for the past 25 years by several government agencies and private foundations. He is a fellow of the American Heart Association, a senior member of IEEE and serves on several national advisory panels.

Kiani earned his BS in electrical engineering from the University of Oklahoma, his MS and PhD in biomedical engineering from Louisiana Tech University and was an NIH postdoctoral Fellow in Biophysics at the University of Rochester.

Augusto Lorenzino

Associate Professor

Department of Spanish and Portuguese

College of Liberal Arts

Richard E. Deeg, Dean

Gerardo Augusto Lorenzino is an associate professor in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese. Since arriving at Temple 21 years ago, Lorenzino has always taken moments from each of his courses and learned something new. Each class brings with it a sense of excitement just like the first class of the semester. These feelings never go away, whether it is an introductory course in Spanish or Portuguese, intermediate or advanced conversation and composition or a graduate seminar in one of his areas of specialization: sociolinguistics, languages in contact and dialectology.

Lorenzino received his Master of Arts and PhD at the City University of New York. Before coming to Temple, Lorenzino directed the Spanish language program at Yale University. He can remember as if it were yesterday walking into Anderson Hall for his campus interview on a cold and gloomy morning of February and feeling right away the warmth and enthusiasm of students rushing in and out of classes. He knew instinctively that the College of Liberal Arts was the place for him to continue growing as a teacher and a scholar, and that Philadelphia was the right city in which to raise a family. As time has gone on, Lorenzino continues to be happy with his decision.

Along the way, Lorenzino's colleagues and graduate and undergraduate advisees have renewed in him the thrill of discovery and allowed him to reciprocate with his passion for linguistics, inspired by the words of the Portuguese poet Fernando Pessoa: "could it think, the heart would stop beating."

CHRISTIAN R. AND MARY F. LINDBACK FOUNDATION
AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED TEACHING

Ann M. Valentine

Professor

Department of Chemistry

College of Science and Technology

Michael L. Klein, Dean

Ann Valentine is a professor in the College of Science and Technology whose research focuses on bioinorganic chemistry, especially how nature manages metals that are hard to handle because of their ability to make insoluble materials. This list includes iron, which is essential for nearly every life form, but also titanium, which in her opinion has been neglected. Valentine won a National Science Foundation CAREER award, an American Cancer Society Research Scholar award and a Chemical Pioneer Award from the American Institute of Chemists. She has co-authored 50 scientific publications throughout her career.

Since arriving at Temple University 10 years ago, Ann Valentine has taught 11 courses in the College of Science and Technology (CST), primarily in general and inorganic chemistry. She especially enjoys teaching first-year undergraduates, as students from different majors learn together about the molecular foundation of many fields. Some of the honors of Valentine's career were being awarded the 2015 Temple Honors Professor of the Year and the 2016 CST Dean's Distinguished Teaching Award.

Valentine earned her BS with high honors at the University of Virginia and her PhD at MIT, both in chemistry. After an NIH postdoctoral fellowship at Penn State University, she was an assistant and then associate professor of chemistry at Yale University. She joined the Temple University faculty in 2011.

Wendy L. Magee

Professor

Department of Music Education and Music Therapy

Boyer College of Music and Dance

Center for the Performing and Cinematic Arts

Robert T. Stroker, Dean and Vice Provost for the Arts

Wendy Magee is a clinician researcher, who began her first research project over 30 years ago when she was working as a music therapist with adults in rehabilitation following acquired brain injury from trauma or illness. Situated in clinical settings in London and Australia before coming to Temple in 2011, her research questions have consistently stemmed from challenging real-world clinical scenarios. Her research topics center upon evidence-based practice and developing rigorous tools for measuring health outcomes, including using music in the assessment and diagnosis of people emerging from coma; standardizing music-based rehabilitation measures for children and adults with acquired brain injury; music as a psychotherapeutic treatment for people living with chronic neurological illness; and music technology in health and education with people across the life span with special needs.

Her research is based in intercultural and interdisciplinary partnerships, with collaborators spanning five continents across Asia, Europe, Australia, North and South America. Her primary research has been translated into Chinese, Spanish and Brazilian-Portuguese and published in diverse forums covering medicine, psychology, rehabilitation, the arts, health sciences and sociology. Magee's academic background includes a BM in music therapy from the University of Melbourne and PhD from the University of Sheffield.

Throughout her career, Magee has held several roles including as a member of several committees of the Association of Professional Music Therapists, grant reviewer for the National Endowment for the Arts and former chairperson of the British Society for Music Therapy. She is the recipient of several prestigious awards including a Leverhulme Foundation Travel Fellowship in the United Kingdom and the Professional Practice and Flagler Fultz Research Awards from the American Music Therapy Association.

Ingrid R. Olson

Professor

Department of Psychology

College of Liberal Arts

Richard E. Deeg, Dean

Ingrid Olson has spent the last 14 years at Temple University working on topics related to how the human brain processes information. As a graduate student at Yale University, her dissertation research focused on how humans remember visual images. She then completed a postdoctoral fellowship at Yale School of Medicine, which allowed her to learn an exotic, cutting-edge neuroscience technique: fMRI. During her time at Yale University, Dr. Olson obtained her MS and PhD in psychology. Since moving to Temple, she continued to investigate episodic memory, which is a line of work that is incredibly translational and important given that in normal aging, episodic memory shows marked decline and in abnormal aging, such as that observed in Alzheimer's Disease, episodic memory is obliterated.

When Dr. Olson began her new lab at Temple, she started a new program of work investigating how memory systems shape social behavior. She found that a part of the brain called the anterior temporal lobe plays an essential role storing social concepts and that this region interacts with other limbic and paralimbic regions through a system of white matter tracts to rapidly compute the social significance of words and gestures. This work is very important because the social brain perturbed in most psychiatric disorders.

Dr. Olson is extremely well funded by external grants from NIH. She is the chief or co-investigator on grants investigating the neural bases of human memory in both children and adults, and how concussion changes the brain. She also collaborates on work focused on psychosis, aphasia and Alzheimer's dementia.

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY FACULTY AWARD FOR
CREATIVE ACHIEVEMENT

Roderick Coover

Professor

Department of Film and Media Arts

School of Theater, Film and Media Arts

Center for the Performing and Cinematic Arts

Robert T. Stroker, Dean and Vice Provost for the Arts

Roderick Coover is a filmmaker and media artist whose work takes on contemporary issues like climate change, migration and mass extinction. Coover teaches courses on incorporating production theory with cross-cultural methods and challenges students to apply new approaches to producing their films. He is founding director of Temple's PhD program in Documentary Arts and Visual Research, founding co-director of the MA program in mediaXarts: Cinema for New Technologies and Environments and teaches regularly in Temple's Honors Program.

The recipient of Fulbright, Mellon, Whiting, Spire, Sea(s), LEF awards and commissions, including most recently from the Adam Mickiewicz Institute of Poland, his works are shown in a wide range of settings including arts venues like the Venice Biennale, the Barcelona Contemporary Arts Museum, and events like the Bibliothèque Nationale de France and the Nobel Peace Prize Forum. His work has also been shown at film festivals around the world including Philadelphia International, Bergen International and Documenta Madrid.

Much of his work uses maps, cell phones and locative media designed for examining unexpected settings like old factories, city streets and shorelines. Coover has written several books including *Digital Imaginaries: Literature and Cinema of The Database* (Bloomsbury) and *Switching Codes: Thinking Through Digital Technology In The Humanities And Arts* (Chicago).

Coover received a BA from Cornell University, a MA from Brown University and a PhD from the University of Chicago.

Bryant Simon

Laura H. Carnell Professor

Department of History

College of Liberal Arts

Richard E. Deeg, Dean

Bryant Simon is a Laura H. Carnell Professor of History for the College of Liberal Arts. He is the author of four books and dozens of articles that explore topics ranging from labor and politics in the American South to the history of Atlantic City. A publicly engaged scholar, Simon has written commentary for the Washington Post, New York Times, New Republic, the Root.com and Philadelphia Inquirer. He has appeared in documentaries about food and drink, blue jeans and drive-by truckers. Currently, Simon is an Organization of American Historians distinguished lecturer, elected member of the Society of American Historians and president of the Southern Labor Studies Association.

A Lindback Teaching Award winner in 2016, Simon has lectured around the world. In his classes at Temple and abroad, he shares with his students the most meaningful stories about the past buried in elections and economic trends, films, songs, dances and menus. He teaches his students to see the past in a myriad of places and recognize that it is created and interpreted by everyday people, all the time.

In addition to being an international scholar, Simon has also been heavily involved in a project to globalize the study of the United States. Supported by grants from the British Council and Germany's DAAD, he has welcomed scholars of American history from Korea, France and the Czech Republic to Temple and connected Temple students and faculty with historians of the U.S. in Germany, Northern Ireland and Japan.

Simon earned his BA and PhD from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and two MA degrees from Yale University and the University of Warwick.

Karen Marie Turner

Associate Professor

Department of Journalism

Klein College of Media and Communication

David Boardman, Dean

Karen M. Turner is an associate professor in the Journalism department, a former department chair, past president of the Faculty Senate and current director of Temple's Academic Center on Research in Diversity (ACCORD).

Turner's publication topics include facilitating difficult conversations, her online *Race and Racism in the News* course offered since 1997 and a mobile media election crowdsourcing project she co-initiated in 2004. She has worked with students covering the 2000 Republican National Convention, 2016 Democratic National Convention, 2020 New Hampshire primary and has three-times led the KleinGO award-winning program to South Africa. A former student said, "Not only is KT a great teacher, she's a great professional, great mentor and great human.... Her undeniable impact extends well beyond the campus."

Turner has received numerous awards during her time at the university including the Provost's Outstanding Faculty Service Award, the Lindback Foundation Distinguished Teaching Award and the college's Innovative Teaching Award. In 2016, she was appointed a Teaching Faculty Fellow in the Center for the Advancement of Teaching.

A member of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication Standing Committee on Teaching, Turner wrote the first chapter of *Master Class* that explores best teaching practices. Turner earned an AB from Dartmouth College, part of the first freshmen class of women to matriculate in the college, a JD from Northwestern University School of Law and an MS from Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism.

