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UC PEOPLE

Marijean Levering, Associate Professor of Theatre and Chair of Performing and Fine Arts

By Victoria Lamanna '15

Q. Tell us a little about yourself and how you got started in theatre.

A. At the end of this year, I will have been at UC for 14 years. I am originally from Detroit, where I also completed my Ph.D. I have a cat

going to a production of Godspell when I was in kindergarten. It was magic. I had always loved stories in books, movies, television, but these were stories that were right there in front of you, and that was amazing to me. I still think it's amazing that I can make a career out of it!

Q. What do you love most about theatre?

A. There are a few things. I love the community that it creates and the theatre "family" that you get to work closely with. I also love that my job is always creative and always changing. In theatre, there are always new challenges that you have to take on, and you are constantly problem-solving. In my job, not only do I get to tell stories, but I get to make them live - which is really cool!

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that runs my household and allows me to stay there as long as I feed her and throw things for her to chase; her name is Phoebe.

I have loved theatre since I was little, and have been involved with it since grade school. I remember

"In my job, not only do I get to tell stories, but I get to make them live - which is really cool!"

-Levering



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President Todd S. Hutton and MVCC President Randy VanWagoner signed an articulation agreement to ease MVCC students' transition into UC's health studies program. *4/29*

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HR NOTES

Welcome

Adrienne Arnone, *Administrative Assistant II*

Anastasia Brencher, *Assistant Director of Admissions*

Brandi Dodge, *Senior Administrative Assistant in the Office of Financial Affairs*

Kaylynn Iglesias, *Senior Assistant Director of Transfer Admissions*

Erica Padilla, *Director of New York City Engagement*

Effective June 1

Frank Bergmann, *named the Walter D. Edmonds distinguished professor emeritus of English and German.*

Thomas Brown, *posthumously named professor of psychology and vice president and dean of college emeritus.*

Mary Drucker, *named associate professor emerita of education.*

Kim Landon '75, *granted a terminal promotion with the status of professor emerita of public relations.*

Marie Noelle Little, *named professor emerita of French.*

R. Bruce McBride, *named professor emeritus of criminal justice.*

Frederick Zammiello, *granted a terminal promotion with the status of professor emeritus of philosophy.*



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYEES RECEIVING DEGREES FROM UTICA COLLEGE

Benjamin Atwood, *site supervisor YSLPP*, M.S. Education

Tracy Balduzzi, *program coordinator*, M.S. Health Care Administration

Nicholas Evanoff, *men's lacrosse assistant coach*, M.S. Education

Mary Hayes Gordon, *assistant director YSLPP*, M.S. Education

Brittnee McGuire, *academic coaching expert*, M.S. Education

Lazarus Morgan, *assistant football coach*, M.S. Education

DPT

Dale Scalise-Smith, *vice president for the School of Online & Extended Studies & External Partnerships*

Summer employment starts Monday, May 19 and ends Sunday, August 25. If you have any questions, please contact Rebecca Sullivan, student employment coordinator, 792-3353 or resullivan@utica.edu.

IN THE NEWS...



Professor of practice in criminal justice, Raymond Philo

- **Jan DeAmicis**, professor of sociology, and **Mary Hayes Gordon '14**, assistant director of Young Scholars LLP, were interviewed by *WRVO* in an article about launching a freedom trail in Utica.
- **Raymond Philo '81**, professor of practice in criminal justice, was interviewed by *NPR* about the rise of heroin use in rural New York State.
- The messy but vibrant Holi Festival of Colors at Utica College on April 18 was covered by the *Observer-Dispatch* and *WKTV*.
- Utica College's Annual Taste of the Arts on April 16, featuring a diverse display of Utica culture, was covered by the *Observer-Dispatch* and *WKTV*.
- *PR Web* picked up news about the induction of 30 Utica College nursing students into the prestigious Sigma Theta Tau Nursing Society.
- Utica College's ROTC Contracting and Awards Ceremony on April 9 was featured by *WUTR* and *WKTV*.
- **President Todd S. Hutton** was interviewed by *The Nonprofit Communications Report* about advocacy efforts to increase Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding.
- **Gary Leising**, associate professor English, was interviewed on *WKTV*'s Newstalk about the poetry reading by Eugene Paul Nassar Poetry Prize winner Juliana Gray on April 10.
- *WKTV*, the *Little Falls Times*, the *Rome Sentinel* and the *Utica Observer-Dispatch* covered news for Eugene Paul Nassar Poetry Prize winner Juliana Gray's reading Utica College on April 10.



Daniel S. Cruz, assistant professor of english

Assistant professor of english **Daniel Shank Cruz** presented his paper "Stephen Beachy's Haunted boneyard" at the 2014 Northeast Modern Language Association Convention in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on April 3.

Daniel Kurtz, associate professor of biology, attended the annual meeting of the Association for Chemoreception Sciences in Ft. Myers, Fla. The meeting draws scientists from the United States, Europe and Asia.

Sharon Kanfoush, associate professor and chair of geology:

- Had a peer-reviewed article published in *Lakes and Reservoirs: Research and Management* titled "Anthropogenic and climatic influences over the past three centuries on an Adirondack lake, eastern North America."
- Co-authored a peer-reviewed article in *Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs* titled, Potential influences of lake morphometry on paleoproductivity of differing lakes under similar climate change conditions in the Adirondack Mountains of New York.
- Will serve as a guest editor in a special issue of *Marine Geophysical Research*. Her peer-reviewed article is titled "Marine sediment evidence of southern ocean paleoceanography and Antarctic ice sheet dynamics."
- Was invited and gave a presentation on energy independence to the United Nations Association of the Mohawk Valley.

- Provided manuscript reviews for *Marine Geophysical Research*, *Lakes and Reservoirs: Research and Management* and the *Journal of STEM Education*.

Thomas McCarthy, professor of biology, was published in the *Journal of Insect Behavior*. His article is titled "Male field crickets (*Gryllus texensis*) exhibit phonotactic behavior in response to acoustic calls from conspecific males."

Theodore Orlin, Harold T. Clark Professor Emeritus of Human Rights Scholarship and Advocacy (2005-2010):

- Was the keynote speaker for Foreign Student Day at Whitesboro High School. He also gave the keynote address at the Naturalization Ceremony where 39 people became U.S. citizens.
- Had three articles published in the *Sri Lanka Guardian* last month. "Third UN Resolution: Authorization of Power," "STOP-The Unfinished War Against Tamils" and "I have a mandate for ordering Independent International Investigations- Navi Pillai."

Adam Schoonmaker, associate professor of geology:

- Co-authored a poster with student Dwayne Smith at the Geological Society of America Northeastern Sectional Meeting titled "Geochemical and petrographic comparison of two Adirondack mafic dikes with other known Proterozoic and Mesozoic rift dikes and volcanics from the Adirondacks of Northern Vermont."
- Had two field trip guides published in the 2013 New England Intercollegiate Geological Conference. The guides are titled "Mafic magmatism and mélange of the Avery Brook and Hurd Mountain formations of the Caucomgomoc Lake inlier, north-central Maine," and "Tectonic significance of the Cambro-Ordovician and Silur-Devonian stratigraphy and magmatism in the Chesuncook Lake and Ripogenus Gor area, north-central Maine."
- Co-authored a publication in *Geoscience Canada* titled

"Lawrence Head Volcanics and Dunnage Melange, Newfoundland Appalachians: origin by Ordovician ridge subduction or in back arc rift?"

Patricia Swann, associate professor of pr and journalism, recently published her second edition of "Cases in Public Relations Management: the Rise of Social Media and Activism." This book is used in UC's PR Cases class and classrooms around the country.

A group of UC employees attended the Ellucian Live Banner Conference in Anaheim, Calif. Specifically for employees from higher education institutions around the world, the conference focused on new ideas and approaches. Attending from UC:

Matthew Carr '03, director of institutional research

Bill Dundon, programmer analyst

Brandy Gray '10, institutional research assistant

Karen Lorraine, assistant director e-learning programs

Stacy Ludikowski, programmer analyst

Ann McGowan, assistant comptroller

Jessica Nelson '99, director of enrollment operations

Kathy Novak, assistant registrar for system and reporting services

Bobbi Smorol, director of business services

Gail Tuttle '12, director of student account operations

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Adam Schoonmaker, associate professor of geology

KUDOS *continued*

The following UC employees hosted students for job shadowing experiences for the School and Business Alliance Program (SABA).

Timothy Ball, assistant professor or cybersecurity and information assurance

Christopher Connolly, men's basketball head coach

Blaise Faggiano, football head coach

Joseph Giordano '81, professor of practice-cybersecurity

Derek MacTurk '00, computer support specialist

Joseph Reid, ROTC

Joseph Ribaud, assistant professor of physics

Nathaniel Richmond, professor of government

Daniel Sheffer, head athletic trainer

Wayne Sullivan, director of campus safety

The following have mentored students for the Regional Program for Excellence:

Gwen Connors '82, general accounting specialist

Joseph Giordano, '81, professor of practice-cybersecurity

The following UC employees spoke at career days in middle or high schools:

Christopher Connolly, head men's basketball coach

Austen Givens, professional teaching assistant

Joseph Giordano '81, professor of practice - cybersecurity

Patrice Hallock, associate professor of education

Gary Heenan '05, head men's ice hockey coach

Dennis Labossiere '13, graduate student IITS

Cynthia Love Williams, assistant professor of nursing

Daniel Sheffer, head athletic trainer

Colleen Sunderlin, associate professor of occupational therapy

Please send information for KUDOS to source@utica.edu.

PRESIDENT HUTTON NAMED clcu CHAIR

UC President Todd S. Hutton has been elected chair of the board of trustees on the Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities (cIcu).



As Chair, President Hutton will work closely with the cIcu Board of Trustees and President in shaping cIcu's advocacy in the legislative and regulatory arenas and in research and analysis, communications and public relations, outreach, and governance matters. He will serve a two-year term.

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Q. What makes a good production?

A. You have to start with good material, and once you have that, everyone has to work together and put their best into it. In a good production, it has to be about the production and the audience - not about you. It is all about transporting the audience and taking them on a journey and making their time worthwhile.

Q. What is something that most do not know about the theatre program at UC?

A. Because we have a theater minor and not a major, our program's students major in a wide variety of things. We have students who are ECI, pre-med, pre-law, communication majors and more. I love this because we always have a broad range of experiences to draw upon, and they always have a great attitude and are willing to try anything. Our program is far more intimate than other theatre programs and there is more input from students in all aspects of the production.

Q. What is your greatest accomplishment and challenge?

A. My greatest accomplishment was writing my book. I am a theatre historian; in theatre you are involved in many different academic and production aspects. While in college in Detroit, I worked with a children's theatre that performed in this great historic theatre. I didn't really know anything about it, but there were all of these unique drawings on the wall from the 1920s to the present.

I began to notice small details about the images - like how the chorus girls have really hairy legs. I soon learned that this theatre was home to a men's theatrical social club. I decided to do my grad school dissertation on the club, and through some contacts, I was able to access their records back to 1910. What really interested me was the type of plays that they wrote and what they said about the group and the time period that they lived in. For example, I read their plays from the '20s that talk about the "new woman" and you can see their fears and how they thought this would change their lives.

As far as my greatest challenge, everything is a challenge - and that is not necessarily a bad thing. At UC, it is making sure that we create a successful and stable program that utilizes its resources to the best of our ability and helps students grow.

Q. What surprised you about UC?

A. I always wanted to work at a small school, and I was really excited when UC called me. One thing that surprised me was the crossover, camaraderie and cooperation. I know the faculty here - and not just the ones in the theatre department. The ability to have such easy conversations with those who have very different training makes all the difference in the world.

AROUND CAMPUS

RIGHT: UC students partook in an explosion of colors at UC's 2nd annual Holi celebration. *04/18*

BELOW: Nine UC students presented a year's worth of work at the History Project Symposium. *05/03*



LEFT: Oneida County Sheriff Robert Maciol explained what is new in law enforcement in the county to WKTV News Channel 2's Jason Powles at the State of Oneida County Law Enforcement Address. The event was sponsored by the Organization of Justice Studies. *04/28*

BELOW: Barry Sinnott, assistant vice president at Bank of Utica, speaks to students at the UC Executive Lecture Series. *04/30*

ABOVE: Six UC students took contracting oaths at UC's ROTC Contracting and Awards Ceremony. *04/09*

RIGHT: Organization of Justice Studies students participated in the County Spring Clean-Up. From Left, Jared Platt, Corey Cronin, homeowner Josephine Burns, Nicholas Gilberti, Brian Mazurowski, Kevin Stone (not pictured/photographer, Dr. James C. Brown '88, Advisor). *05/03*



ABOVE, LEFT: English majors were inducted into Sigma Tau Delta at UC's English department's annual High Tea Ceremony. *04/24*

ABOVE RIGHT, RIGHT: UC students from all majors presented at the annual Student Research Day on



UPCOMING EVENTS/TRAINING

May

- 05/17/14 Graduate Commencement Ceremony.** 2:00 p.m.; The Stanley.
- 05/18/14 Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony.** 9:30 a.m.; The Utica Memorial Auditorium.
- 05/20/14 Annual Recognition Ceremony.** 2:30 p.m.; Library Concourse.
- 05/21/14 "Never Let 'em See You Sweat" Communicating Effectively with the Media.** 9:30 a.m.; contact Chris Leogrande at cleogrande@utica.edu
- 05/21/14 The Center for Small City and Rural Studies at Utica College presents "Upstate/Downstate," a talk by Alex Thomas.** 7:30 p.m., The Other Side, 2011 Genesee Street, Utica. Free and open to everyone.
- 05/26/14 College Holiday**

Team UC is conducting a bottle drive for the 2015 Heart Run and Walk.

Collection boxes for your empty bottles and cans are located:

- White Hall-outside Rm 250- Student Employment Office
- Strebel Student Center- outside the Student Activities Office
- Library- at the entrance

PSAC ELECTION RESULTS

Congratulations to the first Professional Staff Advisory Council slate.

Positions to take effect on June 1.

President (3-year term) - **Kristen Mather** (*Advancement*)
 Vice President (2-year term) - **James Farr '12** (*IITS*)
 Administrative Secretary (3-year term) - **Andrea Lawrence** (*Facilities*)
 Recording Secretary (2-year term) - **Michele Boucher** (*Athletics*)
 Member At-Large (3-year term) - **Trisha Barone '13** (*Advancement*)
 Member At-Large (3-year term) - **Joanne Hathaway** (*IITS*)
 Member At-Large (3-year term) - **Linda Madore** (*HR*)
 Member At-Large (2-year term) - **Elizabeth Caraco** (*Library*)
 Member At-Large (2-year term) - **Bruce Klaus** (*Campus Safety*)

The election for the two Nominating Committee positions (each a one-year term) has resulted as follows:

Brandy Gray '04 has won one position.
Jaime Evanoff '11 and **Marc Spaziani** were tied for the other position. Evanoff won in a run-off vote.

AROUND CAMPUS

BELOW, CLOCKWISE; TL: UC Students and staff participate in The City of Utica's "Keep America Beautiful, Great American Cleanup."
TL: Alex Alinea, Toni Barkley, Betsy Caraco **TR:** Students hard at work **BR:** Betsy Caraco *04/27*



RIGHT: UC's annual Taste of the Arts showcased performances, readings, an art gallery, booths, demonstrations, and molecular gastronomy food samples by members of the UC community. *04/16*

