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UC PEOPLE

Dr. Harry F. Slife, Dean of the School of Health Professions and Education

By Victoria Lamanna '15

With more than 30 years of service in the U.S. Army, **Dr. Harry F. Slife** is ready to apply his extensive experience in administration and leadership to his new role.

Q: Tell me a little about yourself.

A. I am new to the area and I love it here, although I haven't been through a winter yet.

We have three great kids Kaitlyn, Carolyn, and Jacob. Kaitlyn, my oldest, just graduated from college in May; Carolyn, my middle daughter, is going to be a senior at the Coast Guard Academy; and I just dropped my son Jacob off at West Point this July. We are very proud of all of them.

I like to play golf, although I am terrible at it, and ride bikes – I am on my bike all the time. I also have a bike shop at my house where I repair and build them. I have about 12 right now!

We also have two German shepherds, Cadence and Schatzi, which means sweetie in German. We used to be involved with a German shepherd rescue organization. I have probably had about 100 dogs in my house over the years. We would feed, care for them, and get them healthy while they waited to be adopted. It is tough to give them up after you have had them for a few weeks – Cadence was one that we couldn't give up!

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I spent almost my entire adult life in the Army as a scientist, researcher, and colonel. My number one priority in my life is my family - I can talk about them forever. I have been married to my wife Leslie for 26 years, and we first met when we were both active duty military in Germany.

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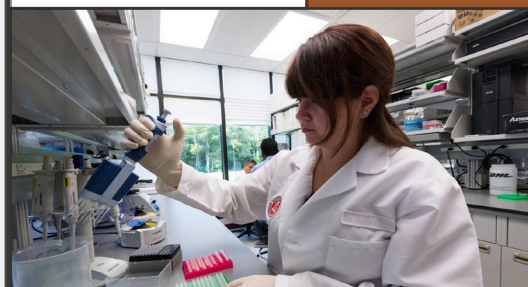
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Heather McManus '14 just completed a prestigious fellowship with the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory. A biochemistry major, she worked on isolating genetic mutations that might cause cardiac arrhythmia. *7/29*

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HR NOTES

Welcome

Cheryl Baldwin, *Director of Online Administrative Services - Deltak*

Samantha Gleba '13, *Coordinator of Enrollment Operations*

Maria Roche-Dean, *Director of the Accelerated Nursing Program*

New Titles

Monica Brown-Hodkinson '13, *Administrative Assistant III*



STUDENT EMPLOYMENT 2014-15

For questions, contact Rebecca Sullivan at 792-3353 or resullivan@utica.edu

Watch your email for important information regarding the application portal open dates.

APPLYING

- Every student must apply and complete a job acceptance before he or she can begin working
- Students must apply online every year, even if they have previously worked the same job.
- Students are only allowed to apply for one position at a time with few exceptions.
- Student must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 to submit an application and have no holds on their account.

EMPLOYMENT PAPERWORK

- Applications can be submitted through the student employment web page.
- New students and returning students who have never worked at UC must complete employment paperwork.
- Completed employment paperwork can be submitted in White Hall 239, Aug. 25 – Sept. 12.

SUPERVISORS

- Supervisors will receive an e-mail once a student has applied for a position.
- Supervisors should login to accept or reject the application. (This should be done in timely manner since student may only apply for one position at a time and rejected students can be notified and may apply for other positions.)
- Once accepted, students will receive a default email with employment paperwork instructions.
- Supervisors will receive an email notice when student have completed their employment paperwork. DO NOT allow students to work prior to this notice.
- Supervisors can view the Supervisor Orientation by visiting the student employment website.

TIMESHEETS

11:59 p.m. Thursday (according to pay schedule):

Deadline to submit timesheets

9:00 p.m. Friday (the next day): Deadline for supervisors to approve

Please be reminded that employees are to return to their normal business hours and attire, effective Monday, August 18. In general, the normal business day at UC begins at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 5:00 p.m. Please contact the Office of Human Resources at ext. 3276 (or 792-3276) with any questions.

KUDOS

Alan Bessette, distinguished professor emeritus of biology, had both of his books, *Mushrooms of the Adirondacks: A Field Guide* and *Mushrooms of Northeastern North America*, mentioned in the May/June 2014 issue of *Adirondack Life Magazine*.

Bryant Buchanan, professor of biology, presented at the British Ecological Society General Meeting held at the 11th INTECOL Congress, "Ecology: Into the next 100 years," in London.

Sarah Burnett-Wolle, associate professor of therapeutic recreation and chair of life studies, had an article published in the *American Journal of Recreation Therapy*.

Linda Culyer, assistant professor of nursing, co-authored an article published in the *Journal of Community Health Nursing*.

Peter DeSimone and **Christopher Fobare**, assistant professors of history, were lead instructors in a 10-hour Teacher Training Institute class, intended to help middle and high school teachers use primary source documents in classrooms. The multi-night class was presented by The Center for Historical Research and Department of History with coordination from the Midstate Teacher Center and the Eastern Upstate Teacher Center Network. Enrollment for the class was closed due to full capacity.

Diep Duong, assistant professor of finance, presented as an author and discussant at the Midwest Finance Conference in Orlando in early March.

Ashraf Elazzazi, associate professor of physical therapy, presented a poster and platform presentation along with two recent UC graduates at the APTA Combined Sections Meeting in Las Vegas.

Alan Goldenbach, assistant professor of journalism, exhibited his refereed presentation, *Sharpening News Judgment Through Twitter*, at the annual convention of the Broadcast Education Association in Las Vegas in April.

Sara Scanga, associate professor of biology:

- gave an invited presentation at SUNY Oneonta titled "The globeflower as Goldilocks: the effects of too much, too little, and 'just right' light transmittance on the population ecology of the rare wetland plant *Trollius laxus*."
- traveled with students Gabriel Zabala '16, Mary Brockett '15, and MaryEllen Fitzgerald-Bord '16, to the Northeast Natural History Conference in Springfield, Mass., where they presented three posters. Scanga presented her poster, "Feasibility of Out-planting Small Populations to Conserve a Rare Fen Plant." Zabala's poster, "Vegetation and Stream Chemistry Responses to Recovery from Chronic Acid Deposition in the Adirondack Mountains," discussed the analysis of 10 years of stream chemistry data; scientists from the U.S. Geological Survey and the University of Maryland collaborated on the project. Brockett and Fitzgerald-Bord presented a poster on "Assessment of the Effect of Climate Change Induced Lake-Effect Snowfall on Tree Ring Width," in collaboration with Sharon Kanfoush, associate professor of geoscience.
- was published in the scientific journal *Plant Ecology*; her paper was titled "Plant Demography in Wetland Canopy Gaps: Nonlinear and Indirect Responses."



Glen Hansen, associate professor of accounting:

- was one of the "Outstanding Research Award" winners at the Global Conference of Business and Finance held in Honolulu.
- presented two papers at the Global Conference on Business and Finance in San Jose, Costa Rica.

Paul J. MacAurthur, associate professor and chair of public relations and journalism, co-authored the article "Competing Separately, Medaling Equally: Racial Depictions of Athletes in NBC's Primetime Broadcast of the 2012 London Olympic Games," which was published in the *Howard Journal of Communications*.

Denise Nepveau, assistant professor of occupational therapy, coordinated a senior brunch and forum with an older adults group. The event held in April in Syracuse was attended by more than 40 people and included several panelists and representatives from the area.

Stephen Peek, associate professor of management, presented his case study, "Oneida Cable Company: The Importance of Integrating Marketing and

Manufacturing," at the Business Research Consortium of Western New York in April at Nazareth College in Rochester.

Donald Rebovich, professor of criminal justice and executive director of CIMIP, co-authored an article published in *Victims and Offenders: An International Journal of Evidence-based Research, Policy and Practice*.

Amanda Reeder, assistant registrar for transfer services, presented a workshop with Mike Henningsen of MVCC on building better articulation agreements at the Annual New York State Transfer and Articulation Association meeting this spring.

Dave Roberts '77, adjunct professor of psychology:

- conducted three workshops, titled "The Bereaved Parent - Five Years Later," "The Bereaved Parent: Issues Involving Surviving Grandchildren" and "Transformative Empowerment During Grief: A Journey of Self-Discovery," at The National Conference of The Compassionate friends in Chicago earlier this month.
- conducted a Father's Day Workshop for Hospice in early June.

AROUND CAMPUS



UC welcomed the class of 2018 to campus for three great sessions of Summer Orientation. The week included ending day one of each session with a performance by mentalist and speed painter, Robert Channing, a current America's Got Talent hopeful & UC regular.



ABOVE: Construction continues on the new Organic Chemistry Laboratory in the Gordon Science Center.

BELOW: Blaise Faggiano, head football coach, was pleased to welcome a record attendance for UC's Summer Football Camp; 170 high school students and 166 youth participated in the 4-day event.



HEALTH AND WELLNESS EVENTS

AT RIGHT: Back by popular demand, The UC Health & Wellness Committee held a "Cooking with Art" Lunch & Learn Summer Session. Guided by Sodexo Executive Chef Art Langdon, the group received a lesson on how to create a selection of healthy, and delicious, summer dishes. 07/07



AT LEFT: Getting active, and social! UC H&W organized a pick-up beach volleyball game on campus versus teams from other local organizations, The Masonic Home and Gilroy, Kernan & Gilroy. Team UC swept the games 4-0. Everyone had so much fun that two additional games are being planned for August 5 and 12. Contact Caren Summers '13 for more information on how to get involved. 07/29



ABOVE, RIGHT: Members of UC faculty and staff came together for some fresh air, and a hike up beautiful Bald Mountain in Old Forge, NY. The hike was followed by a pot-luck lunch. Check utica.edu/wellness for upcoming events and more ways to be healthy and well. 07/26



Ellen Smith, assistant professor of nursing, presented "Engaging Students Online" at the New York League for Nursing's Annual Conference at the Albany Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in late March.

Dimitar Todorov, assistant professor of construction management, received his Envision Sustainability Professional ENV SP certification earlier this year.

- **Todorov** also co-authored an article published in Environmental Pollution, and gave an invited presentation at the sustainability presentation series at SUNY ESF in April.

Members of the occupational therapy faculty, including **Nancy Hollins**, **Colleen Sunderlin**, **Linnea Franits**, associate professors of occupational therapy and **Victoria Nackley**, assistant professor of occupational therapy, each presented at the annual American Occupational Therapy Association Conference in Baltimore this April.

Mariann Munson '85, senior administrative assistant to the President, has served as the Elite Runners Accommodations Coordinator for the Boilermaker Road Race for nine consecutive years. Munson handles the housing for the Elite Athletes and the Wheelchair participants; and works closely arranging meals and hospitality for the weekend; she assigns and works with volunteers during the weekend that assist with the Elite Athletes. She

also assists with the timing for the Elite field at the finish line.

Patti Fariello, classroom schedule associate, and her husband Joseph Fariello '80, coordinated the Michelle E. Haddad '81 Memorial Water Station for the 20th consecutive year. Nearly 100 UC alumni, staff and families, along with YSLPP students, volunteered to support the Boilermaker Road Race.

Congratulations to the following members of the UC community who ran the 37th Annual Boilermaker:

James Brown '88 Professor of Practice - Justice Studies

Gil Burgmaster, Assistant Director of Athletics/Sports Information Director

Jamie Callari*, Graphic Designer

Michele Davis G'11, Head Coach Women's Basketball

Connor Downing G'13, Senior Assistant Director of Admissions

Sarah Elleman, Head Coach Field Hockey

Brad Emmons, Associate Professor of Math

David Fontaine '89, Director of Physical Education & Athletics

John Gardner, Adjunct Lecturer of Fine Arts

Austen Givens, Professor of Practice for Cybersecurity

Richard Gloo G'12, Adjunct Professor of Criminal Justice

Kristin Haag, Academic Financial Analyst

Gary Heenan G'05, Head Coach Men's Ice Hockey

Dottie Kalies, Adjunct Lecturer Education

Sharon Kanfoush, Associate Professor Geology

Brian Marcantonio '10, Head Coach Men's Soccer

Ann McGowan, Assistant Comptroller

Doreen Murray, Administrative Assistant, Advancement

Adam Pack, Professor of Biology

Richard Racioppa '93, Director for Student Success

Dale Scalise-Smith G'14, Vice President for the School of Online & Extended Studies & External Partnerships

Emily Schuler, Course Materials Manager- Follett Bookstore

James Smith, Associate Professor of Physical Therapy

Bobbi Smorol*, Director of Business Services

Meghan Soja, Assistant Coach Women's Basketball

Michael Stockman, Programmer Analyst

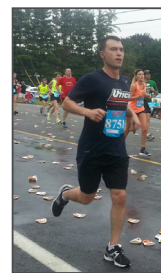
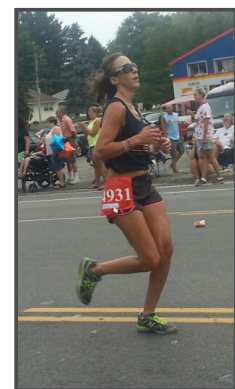
Anthony Villanti, Executive Director of Development

Sharon Wise, Professor of Biology

Linda Zee, Professor of Spanish

**5k Race Participant*

Please send information, and photos, for KUDOS to source@utica.edu.



A. Post-race smiles. B. Gil Burgmaster C. John Gardner D. Ann McGowan, Richard Gloo, Linda Zee, Jim Smith, Adam Pack, Brad Emmons, Linda Zee, Rich Racioppa '93, Sarah Elleman, Michael Stockman, David Fontaine '89 E. Emily Schuler F. Austen Givens G. Michelle E. Haddad '81 Memorial Water Station 07/13



Thomas Crist, professor of physical therapy at Butrint field school site

- Utica College received approximately 20,000 impressions – and counting – on its news release about the launch of its new Education Center for the Accelerated Second Degree Nursing Program in St. Petersburg, FL. The release was featured on **Nurses.com**, **AOL News**, **South Florida Business Journal**, **PR Newswire**, the **Observer-Dispatch** and more.
- **Todd S. Hutton**, UC president, and **David Fontaine**, director of physical education and athletics, were interviewed by **WKTV News Channel 2** about the College's plans to build a sports and recreation dome. President Hutton also discussed the dome on **WUTQ Talk of the Town with Mark Piersma and Frank Elias**, and Fontaine spoke to the **Observer-Dispatch**.
- **Christopher Riddle**, assistant professor of philosophy and director of the Applied Ethics Institute at UC, was interviewed by **WKTV News Channel 2** about the court case concerning whether or not Hobby Lobby should have to pay for its employees' birth control.
- **Joseph Ribaud**, assistant professor of physics, was interviewed for an article about ultraviolet light sources on **SkyandTelescope.com**.
- **David Chanatry**, associate professor of journalism and director of the New York Reporting Project, accompanied **Thomas Crist**, professor of physical therapy, and **John Johnsen**, dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, on their 11th journey to Albania leading students to discover ancient bones and remains from Roman and medieval graves during the UC Forensic Anthropology Field School. **Chanatry** later produced and presented a radio broadcast that was aired on **WRVO** and **WAME** in July that described the students' experiences analyzing the human skeletal remains.
- **WKTV News Channel 2** and **WIBX** Radio covered biochemistry major Heather McManus '14, who completed a prestigious fellowship at the Masonic Medical Research Lab (see photo on cover). **Daniel Barr**, assistant professor of biochemistry and one of her mentors, was also interviewed.

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Q: How has your previous experience helped you in your new role as dean?

A. Being a dean is an ongoing learning process. I am bringing my strong foundation in administration and management and applying it to the context of being a dean in an academic institution.

When it comes down to it, there are more similarities than differences between my job as dean and my previous job in the Army. I have been an administrator, managed large organizations, commanded research laboratories, etc. But budgets are still budgets, even though they are managed differently, and hiring is still hiring even though a different process is used.

The difference is I am just learning how to do these things within the UC framework.

Q: How and when did you decide that being a dean would be the right fit for you?

A. That decision came in the fall of last year. At that point I had been out of the Army for about a year and was working for a government contractor as a bridge job. My son was graduating from high school, and I did not want to move him during his senior year.

During that time, I began to think about my next step. I had been an adjunct at Hood College in Maryland for seven years, teaching chemistry in the evenings – and I absolutely loved

it! I looked forward to it, and frequently I would find myself at my day job thinking, "What am I going to talk about tonight?" I really enjoyed the academic experience.

After careful consideration, I decided I wanted to meld the fun that I was having with academia with the experience that I had built over the past 30 years in the Army.

Q: What attracted you to UC?

A. What I found when I came here to interview was really refreshing: UC is actually very broad. It is the blending of traditional and nontraditional perspectives that makes UC such a great institution, as well as the willingness to look at challenges to society and see them as opportunities for the College, like cybersecurity or health care navigation.

Another thing that attracted me to UC was its mission and its vision and goals. It was very clear that the College was taking the responsibility of generating good citizenry seriously. Not a lot of colleges embrace that. It is our job to take high school students and turn them into adults who are informed members of society, which a good liberal arts education can provide.

I found that UC's mission is consistent with my goals. I told myself that if they were willing to take a chance on me, I would take a chance and move to upstate New York. Plus my wife likes it here - happy wife, happy life!

UPCOMING EVENTS/TRAINING

Please visit utica.edu/hr/training for updates and to register.

August

- 08/06/14 Smartphone Security (45 min)** 10:00 a.m.,
3:00 p.m.; TBA
- 08/08/14 Recognize Text and Other Accessibility tips for PDF Files (15-30 min)** 3:00 p.m.; TBA
- 08/13/14 Integrating Multimedia into the Classroom (40 min)**
10:00a.m. 3:00 p.m.; TBA
- 08/15/14 How and Why to Clear Your Browser Cache (15 min, Webinar)** 3:00 p.m.; TBA
- 08/17/14 H&W Erie Canal Cruise** 12:45 - 2:00 p.m.; Herkimer, NY.
Join us for a 90 minute cruise up the Erie Canal.
Go through the water locks and take a trip back in history! We need a minimum of 15 participants.
Reservations/prepayment required.
- 08/18/14 Smart Board Training** 10:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.; TBA
- 08/20/14 Implementing "Clickers" in Your Presentations (Windows only)** 10:00 a.m.; TBA
- 08/20/14 Implementing "Clickers" for Mac (40 min)**
3:00 p.m.; TBA
- 08/25/14 Fall 2014 Convocation**
11:00 a.m.; Clark Athletic Center

HEALTH & WELLNESS

2014-15 OPENING EVENT

Monday, September 15

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.;

Economic Crime, Justice Studies, and Cyber Security Building

Kick off the new academic year right!

Join the UC Health & Wellness committee for a fun-filled opening event. Enjoy healthy snacks from Sodexo, register for your Healthy Rewards, have a chair massage or blood pressure screening, and learn about some of the exciting programming coming this year. Featuring wellness demonstrations, a flu shot clinic, vendors and more, this event promises to be bigger and better than before!

Some activities require pre-registration, please see utica.edu/hr/wellness for more information.

SAVE THE DATE



BEST. HOMECOMING. EVER.

HOMECOMING 2014:
ALUMNI AND FAMILY WEEKEND
OCTOBER 17TH - 19TH, 2014

Save the date for this year's Homecoming Celebration, featuring a weekend full of fun activities, sporting events, and class reunions for '54, '59, '64, '74, '89, '04 and '09.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF GREAT INCENTIVES BY REGISTERING ONLINE BY SEPT 17!
Visit www.utica.edu/homecoming for updates about events, hotel options, and more.