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Suzanne Richardson, Assistant Professor of Creative Non-Fiction

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Suzanne Richardson, assistant professor of creative non-fiction, has been invited to present at the upcoming TEDx conference in Utica this November. A nonprofit devoted to ideas worth spreading, TED began in 1984 as a conference which brought together people from three worlds: technology, entertainment and design. TEDx events are locally organized in the spirit of the national

change in our lives and communities. This is the second TEDx in Utica.

Q. Can you explain your presentation and the inspiration behind it?

A. My presentation is about wandering and purposeless walking. It's an idea I have been kicking around for a long time. I was inspired by UC students, and I realized that they were not able to connect to the area. As a professor, I was worried that we're doing students a disservice by not pushing them to connect to the community in a helpful way.

I told my students to pick a space in Utica to visit, like Old Main or Union Station, and talk to the community members about their experiences with the space. Not only did they realize that there were a lot of places you could walk in Utica, but they found it also helped them connect to the area and the community.

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TED Conference; to give communities, organizations and individuals the opportunity to stimulate dialogue and make connections. TEDx Utica brings together a diverse group of our community's thinkers, leaders, and change-makers to share ideas, collaborate, and be inspired to affect

TEDx Utica

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Biology professors Sara Scanga and Jessica Thomas (along with some family members) accompanied Asa Gray to Hartwood Farms, where the group picked produce that was donated to the Food Bank. (See page 5 for more photos.) 9/23

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HR NOTES

Welcome

Marie Hage, *Admissions Counselor*

Cynthia King, *Executive Associate Dean of Nursing*

Maureen Peterkin, *Academic Site Director ASDN, FL*

Nicole Thompson, *Administrative Assistant III, Advancement*

New Titles

Caren Summers G`13, *Benefits Assistant and Wellness Coordinator*

Jessica Krebs, *Assistant Director of Enrollment Operations*



The UC Community came together to honor the memories of Kathy Warzala '78 and Greg Roberts, two long-time employees who passed away. Above, President Todd S. Hutton speaks to the crowd before trees are dedicated in memory of Kathy and Greg. 9/22

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Q. What do you hope to achieve through this presentation?

A. I hope more people wander the city safely. Utica has a lot of space, and walking around the area gives you a better understanding of what it has to offer. There is a lot of food pride in the area, but what makes Utica special as a space? Objects don't make people happy – experiences do. And to have experiences, all you have to do is walk out your door.

Q. What are the benefits of events like TEDx in the local community?

A. The greatest benefit is the spreading of ideas. The event is special and tailored to Utica and the central New York area. Knowing what is going on is part of being a responsible member of the community. It is easy to be stuck on your own path without appreciating what's around you.

Q. What attracts you the most about the TEDx conference?

A. The fact that TED talks have a complicated format; it is one half your idea and one half a performance. I was interested in the challenge of spreading one simple idea. It was interesting to figure out how to take that idea and turn it into a 12-minute performance that will connect to the audience.

Q. What is it about English that made you pursue a career in the field?

A. Literature is moving to me. I am passionate about it, and I have

an obsession with books and reading. Literary fiction reveals what is true about our lives, and nonfiction reveals how we see ourselves and what hidden desires we have.

Q. What do you enjoy most about teaching English on the collegiate level?

A. I like that you never know what to expect. I'm able to be myself, and I really value the traditional student age group. They have a lot of inexperience and have a lot to learn, but they have a ton of ideas, which is exciting.

Q. What are your thoughts about UC in general?

A. Part of the reason that I came here is because it is very intimate. I have the ability to see the growth in my students over time, and the casual, laid back atmosphere allows for invaluable opportunities with my students. At other schools, I would teach a student and after my class was over, never see them again. But here, students often seek me out, tell me they're still thinking about things we learned in class—even though class is over.

Q. Tell me a little about yourself.

A. I grew up in Durham, N.C. Both of my parents were academics, but they were involved in the sciences. I love reading, hiking, listening to music, and going to concerts. I also love food and trying new restaurants – my favorite local place so far is Slice in South Utica.

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NEW DEVELOPMENTS

Welcome Center, Expanded Parking

Later this month, construction will begin on a new Welcome Center, which will house our Admissions offices and provide an attractive, easy-to-find first stop for prospective students, families, and other campus visitors. This facility will be located immediately off the main (i.e. Burrstone Road) campus entrance.

During construction, we will lose approximately 87 parking spaces in Lot A. In anticipation of this loss of parking capacity, contractors are currently expanding parking in Lot A, Lot B, and immediately off of the entrance to the access road to Gaetano Stadium. Collectively, these expansions will provide approximately 80 new spaces, replacing the spaces that will be lost in the area around the construction site. These new spaces will be available for use within the next two weeks.

Once the Welcome Center is completed in the spring, we will regain an estimated 36 parking spaces, providing a net gain of approximately 29 spaces compared to the current total.



IN THE NEWS...



Kevin Montano '16, PR intern, had the chance to assist WUTR Eyewitness News reporter Julia Rose with her "stand up" at the Banned Book Read-In. 9/24

- *Fraud Magazine* highlighted ECI students Jared Platt '15 and Robert Broccoli '16 for receiving scholarships from the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners. Platt earned \$2500 and Broccoli garnered \$1000 from the ACFE's prestigious Ritchie-Jennings Memorial Scholarship program.
- **Dave Fontaine '89**, director of physical education and athletics, and Blaise Faggiano, head football coach, were interviewed by *WUTR Eyewitness News* regarding proactive measures that UC takes to prevent sexual assaults on campus. Fontaine and Faggiano also spoke with the *WIBX* team on *Keeler in the Morning* regarding the growth of sports at UC and the football team's success to date.
- **Ray Philo '81**, professor of practice in criminal justice and director of the Economic Crime and Cybersecurity Institute, spoke with the Shreveport, Louisiana *Times* about businesses locating in areas high in crime. Philo also spoke with *WKTV News Channel 2's* Anna Meiler about the significant increase in the number and severity of police shootings in 2014.
- UC's news release on a new book by **Luke Perry**, associate professor and chair of government and politics, "Mitt Romney, Mormonism, and the 2012 Election," was posted by more than 150 websites across the country. Perry spoke with *WUTR Eyewitness News* recently about the function and importance of primary elections, and with *WUTQ Radio's Talk of the Town* cohosts Mark Piersma and Frank Elias about his new book.
- *WKTV News Channel 2* interviewed **Austen Givens**, professor of practice in cybersecurity, about threats posed by ISIS and Al Qaeda on two occasions recently.
- **Suzanne Lynch**, professor of practice in economic crime investigation, spoke with a reporter from *The Sun Sentinel* in southern Florida about economic crime activity among Cuban gangs.
- *WKTV News Channel 2*, *WUTR Eyewitness News* and the *Observer-Dispatch* spoke with **Alan Goldenbach**, assistant professor of journalism and coordinator of the Banned Book Read-In, about censorship in the 21st century.
- **David Roberts '77**, adjunct professor of psychology and grief expert, submitted his third blog entry to *The Huffington Post*. He was also accepted as a national blogger to *The Expert Beacon*.
- Cindy Gunnella of the National White Collar Crime Center and **Anthony Martino G07**, director of the Northeast Cyber Forensic Center, spoke with *WUTR Eyewitness News* about examining digital evidence in criminal cases.

KUDOS

Thomas Crist, professor of physical therapy, was invited to serve as a grant reviewer for the United States National Institute of Justice in Washington, D.C. in April.

- was invited to join the FBI Buffalo Division's Cold Case Working Group in May. The purpose of the group is to serve as a forum for the FBI's law enforcement partners and forensic scientists to share successes, ideas and best practices related to the investigation of cold cases.
- Crist's article, which he co-authored, "Adult Scurvy in New France: Samuel de Champlain's 'Mal de la terre' at Saint Croix Island, 1604-1605" was published in the International Journal of Paleopathology in August.

In July, National Public Radio stations across the Northeast broadcasted a segment produced by **David Chanatry**, associate professor of journalism. The segment was about the Forensic Anthropology Field School that Thomas Crist taught with John Johnsen, dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, in Albania this past summer.

Rick Fenner, associate professor of economics and director of the Mohawk Valley Center for Economic Education,

- presented a workshop on "Teaching Financial Crises" to high school teachers from Georgia in New York City in June.
- Fenner also presented a workshop titled "Financial Fitness For Life" to high school teachers from New York, New Jersey and Connecticut in New York City on Aug. 4 and 5.



Ahmed Radwan, assistant professor of physical therapy.

Ahmed Radwan, assistant professor of physical therapy, recently had several peer-reviewed articles accepted for publication:

- "Evaluation of intra-subject difference in hamstring flexibility in patients with low back pain: An exploratory study," The Journal of Back and Musculoskeletal Rehabilitation
- "Is there a relation between shoulder dysfunction and core instability?" The International Journal of Sports Physical Therapy.
- discussed his work in a presentation titled "Validation of a Simple Seat Satisfaction Questionnaire" at the Annual Applied Ergonomics Conference in Orlando this past spring.

- co-authored an article with **Dale Scalise-Smith G13**, vice president of the School of Online and Extended Studies and External Programs and Partnerships: "Mechanical and cardio-pulmonary response to the use of a newly designed leg simulator," Proceedings of Human Factors and Ergonomics Society Annual Meeting.
- Radwan and Scalise-Smith will discuss their work in a presentation in Chicago this fall at the Annual Conference of the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society.

Caren Summers G`13, benefits assistant and wellness coordinator, received an award from the American Heart Association at the 2014 Leadership Volunteer Awards Ceremony.

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

PRESIDENT HUTTON SERVES ON NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR INDEPENDENT COLLEGES



Photo Credit: Council of Independent Colleges

President Todd S. Hutton has been named to a national steering committee of college and university presidents that will assess the future of independent colleges. The Project on the Future of Independent Higher Education, organized by The Council of Independent Colleges (CIC), is spearheaded by a 22-member panel of college and university presidents who will seek to advance higher education through fresh approaches to business models, strategic plans and missions.

"We are discussing the challenges faced by independent higher education," President Hutton said. "These include contemporary trends that are shaping the future of independent liberal arts colleges, current and emerging economic realities, sustainability of

financial revenue and the expectations and needs of current and future students, as well as those of society as a whole."

President Hutton has been very active in state and federal issues affecting higher education. He served a three-year term on the board of directors of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU), and is currently serving as chair of New York's Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities (cicu). A former member of the New York State Commissioner of Education's Advisory Council on Higher Education, he has served on the board of directors for CIC, as vice chair of its program committee and as a faculty member for its new presidents program.

AROUND CAMPUS *(and beyond)*

A. Organization Fair 9/10
C. Alan Goldenbach, assistant professor of journalism, discussed challenged literature with students. 9/24
D-E. Students review a sampling of challenged books.



B. Lunch Hour Series - musical performance by LaRe Dapice and Rick Montelbano, Jazz Duo 9/03
F-G. Executive Chef Art Langdon displays entries; Students sample and cast their vote in UC's first Build A Better Sandwich Challenge 8/25



H. Have you seen the new scoreboard in Charles A. Gaetano Stadium? 9/23
I. The annual Volunteer Fair, hosted by Career Services, gave students and the community leads on volunteer opportunities and internships 9/10
J-K. Members of the Asa Gray Biological Society volunteered to pick produce at Hartwood Farm; the produce was donated to the Utica Food Bank. 9/14



UPCOMING EVENTS/TRAINING

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

October

10/08/14 General PSAC Membership Meeting. 12:00 p.m. Library Concourse

10/10/14 Data Privacy in the post-Edward Snowden Era: Interdisciplinary Perspectives. Balancing Liberty and Security in the 21st Century; 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Carbone Auditorium, ECJS Building.

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10/23/14 Lunch & Learn-Unum Insurance; 12:30-1:30 p.m. DuRoss Dining Room. Discuss options for, and differences in, various types of life insurance. Lunch will be served.

10/24/14 Cooking with Art - and visiting Global Chef Michal Konwerski from Poland; 12:00 p.m.

10/28/14 The Topsy Palette; 5:30-7:30 p.m. Boehlert Conf Room
Break out your creative side. Don't have one? Kelly will help you find it. This is so much fun, you have to see it to believe it. Limited to 30 participants. UC staff/employees/faculty. Registration and prepayment required.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

YOUNG FAMILIES SOCIAL GROUP

Ready for some fun family time?



UC Health & Wellness has had a request to organize a social group for young families.

We are looking for UC employees who might be interested in joining together with other young families for socializing and FUN!

Please register at:

www.utica.edu/hr/wellness/sessions.cfm

Further information, including a start date, to follow.
For more info contact Caren at cbsummers@utica.edu



More than 105 employees and guests took advantage of the wide variety of information and services provided at this year's Health & Wellness Fair. **A:** H&W Committee member Tracy Balduzzi G '14 trying her skills at Personal Trainer Maggie Matrulli's fitness challenge.

B: Receiving helpful information from local health and wellness vendors **C.** Ralph Craig and his teacher demonstrate Akido. **D.** Sodexo supplied delicious, and healthy, refreshments **E.** Denise Flihan discusses Daughter for Hire services. **F.** More than 75 employees took advantage of our free Rite Aid flu shot clinic

F. Members of the Utica Fire Department offer knowledge and tools to stay safe. **G.** Hear USA provided free otoscopic exams. 9/15

