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UC PEOPLE

Carrie Taylor

Assistant Professor of Wellness and Adventure Education

By Marissa Filletti '18, PR Intern

Q: Tell me a little about yourself.

A: I'm originally from Oklahoma. I have my doctorate in organizational leadership. I've been doing challenge courses for 25 years, and prior to that I ran a wellness center. I've taught. I've coached for many years: basketball,

scan the computer. All of a sudden, this job alert comes along and it's this Utica College job. I read it and thought, "Really?" It was like someone took my resume and just matched it up to a job. I wasn't really actively searching, but it was just too good. I couldn't believe the very thing I wanted to do with my life just came to me in a job description. So, I applied. I interviewed via Skype, and really liked my interview committee. And the next thing I knew I got a call to come on campus, and that's how it happened.

Q: If someone has never heard of the major "Wellness and Adventure Education," how would you describe it to them?

A: I would describe it as a very multifaceted degree. When someone thinks of wellness and adventure education, I feel like they think

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volleyball, softball and track. So, I have kind of a diverse background that led into this job really well.

Q: How did you end up at UC?

Actually, I was taking care of my husband. He had surgery, so I had some spare time to be at home and

"We focus on prevention of bullying and chronic illness ... students learn initiative and problem-solving skills."

- Carrie Taylor



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BACK COVER
Events & Training



Work has begun on UC's new dome! At the groundbreaking, lead donor Tom Clark '65 said he wanted to honor President and Mrs. Hutton by naming the facility the Todd and Jennifer Hutton Sports and Recreation Dome.
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HR NOTES

New Hires

Jaime Sangiacomo-Jackson, *Administrative Assistant III, School of Health Professions and Education*

Sarah Garramone, *Employer Relations Coordinator/Counselor, Office of Career Services*

Promotions

Megan Wilson, *Program Coordinator, Office of Graduate Studies*

Retirees

Beverly Marcoline, *effective May 31, 2015*

Civita Brown, *effective May 31, 2015*



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE EMPLOYEES RECEIVING DEGREES FROM UTICA COLLEGE

Lauryn A. Davis, *Academic Coaching Expert*, MS, Liberal Studies

Kristin St. Hilaire, *Head Coach W-Lacrosse*, MS, Liberal Studies

Derek Pooley, *Assistant Director of Residence Life*, MS, Liberal Studies

Megan Anne Wilson, *Program Coordinator*, MS, Health Care Administration

Linda T. Madore, *Compensation and Benefits Manager*, MS, Liberal Studies

Gary A. Carrock, *Academic/FA Payroll Super*, MBA, Economic Crime and Fraud Management

Marcus R. Gurdineer, *Assistant Head Football Coach*, MS, Adolescence and Special Education

Karolina M. Holl, *Student Financial Services Associate Director*, MS, Health Care Administration

Benjamin Andrew McKaig, *Assistant Football Coach*, MS in Education, Leadership and Instruction for Inclusive Classrooms

Claire T. McLain, *Head Coach W-Soccer*, MS, Liberal Studies

Paula E. Bochniak, *General Accounting Clerk*, BS, Accounting

Peter Evan Ollis, *Assistant Coach Swim*, MS, Cybersecurity

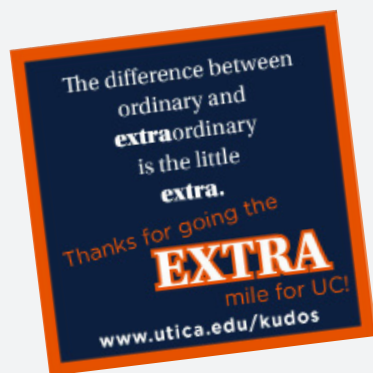
Seth M. Williams, *Assistant Football Coach*, MS, Adolescence Education

Joseph M. Schoen, *Assistant Coach M-Lacrosse*, BS, Chemistry

Hannah J. Stephan, *Assistant Volleyball Coach*, MS in Education, Leadership and Instruction for Inclusive Classrooms

Summer employment starts Monday, May 17 and ends Sunday, August 22. If you have any questions, please contact Rebecca Sullivan, student employment coordinator, 792-3353 or resullivan@utica.edu.

PSAC RESOURCE COMMITTEE INTRODUCES “KUDOS CARD”



Would you like the chance to call someone out ... for being special? For going that extra mile, doing that little bit extra to make someone else's job easier or move the College forward?

You're going to have that chance. On June 1, UC's Professional Staff Advisory Council (PSAC) will introduce its new "Kudos Card" program.

"The program encourages members of the UC community to recognize colleagues for their generosity, dedication, as well as concern for our students, visitors, and the College," said Trish Barone '13, project manager for administrative operations/associate executive assistant to the executive vice president. Barone chairs PSAC's Resource Committee.

Employees can recognize their peers, supervisors, or employees that they supervise, by filling out a simple online form at Utica.edu/kudos. The recognized employee will receive an e-card; the employee's supervisor will also be notified, and the employee will be eligible for a monthly prize drawing.

The program begins June 1. If you have questions, please contact Barone at tbarone@utica.edu.

AROUND CAMPUS - AND BEYOND



Utica College faculty, staff, students and alumni volunteered their time as part of the Great American Clean Up and Keep Mohawk Valley Beautiful Campaign. Teams picked up trash to help make campus and the surrounding community more beautiful. 4/26



Teams worked together on the areas from the Arterial to campus, surrounding neighborhoods and projects on campus.

Hossein Behforooz, professor of mathematics, wrote and published a section titled “Behforooz Calendrical Magic Squares” in the book “Topics in Recreational Mathematics,” by Charles Ashbacher (Author), March 2015, (ISBN-13: 978-1511641005).

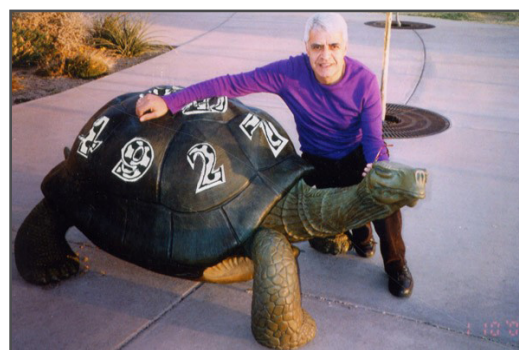
Frank Bergmann, Walter D. Edmonds distinguished professor emeritus of English and German, has a note in the Winter 2014 James Fenimore Cooper Society Newsletter: “Effi Briest’s Reading” dealing with one aspect of Cooper’s late 19th century literary reputation in Germany. Bergmann is also a reader for *Studia Litteraria*, a journal published by Jagiellonian University in Cracow, Poland.

Sharon Kanfoush, associate professor of geoscience, had an article published about her collaborative research with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. Sutherland, J.W., Boylen, C.W., Acker, F.W., Bloomfield, J.A., Charles, D.F., Eichler, L.W., Farrell, J.L., Feranec, R.S., Hare, M.P., , D.A., Kanfoush,

S.L., Preall, R.J., Quinn, S.O., Rowell, H.C., Schoch, W.F., Shaw, W.H., Siegfries, C.A., Sullivan, T.J., Winkler, D.A. and S.A. Nierzwicki-Bauer, 2015. Biotic recovery 20 years after the 1990 Clean Air Act amendments to reduce acid deposition. *Environmental Science & Technology* 49: 2665–2674.

Suzanne Lynch, professor of practice in economic crime management, spoke to the New York External Fraud Committee in New York City on educating the next generation of investigators and analysts, specifically how Utica College’s programs in ECI, criminal justice and cybersecurity prepare students for these fields. 4/21

Raymond Philo, professor of practice in criminal justice, gave a talk at the New Hartford Public Library titled “The Old Bones of New Hartford.” Philo discussed the local history behind human remains found on the grounds of New Hartford High School during construction projects over the last 60 years. 4/19



Hossein Behforooz, professor of mathematics, with his Magic Squares turtle.

David Roberts, adjunct professor of psychology, will present a workshop titled “Signs from Loved Ones” at Schuyler Commons on June 16 at 1 p.m.

Alyssa Thomas, assistant professor of chemistry, Michelle Boucher, associate professor of chemistry, and Curtis Pulliam, associate professor of chemistry, have had a paper titled “Qualitative to Quantitative and Spectrum to Report: An Instrument-Focused Research Methods Course for First-Year Students” published in the March 2015 edition of the *Journal of Chemical Education*. The paper details UC’s Introduction to Research Methods course, CHE 213, which is a first-year majors course built around the idea of helping students learn to work like chemists, write like chemists, and think like chemists and is a hybrid hands-on/lecture experience built around instrumentation use and report preparation.

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

TEDx AT UTICA COLLEGE



TEDxUticaCollege, an independently organized TED conference was held at Utica College on April 29. TEDx events are locally organized in the spirit of the national TED Conference; to give communities, organizations and individuals the opportunity to stimulate dialogue and make connections. TEDxUticaCollege focused on the theme, “Reshaping Minds.” Speakers included **Theodore Orlin**, Harold T. Clark Jr. Professor Emeritus of Human Rights Scholarship and Advocacy; **Leonore Fleming**, assistant professor of philosophy; **Jeffrey Miller**, associate professor of communication; and **Luke Perry**, associate professor of government and politics.

AROUND CAMPUS - ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

A. Dozens of public relations and journalism students were honored for their outstanding work during the annual Raymond Simon Institute awards ceremony. 4/25



B - D. The Economic Crime and Cybersecurity Institute hosted a panel for students on career paths in the industry. Students also had the opportunity to participate in mock interviews with members of the ECCI board of directors. 4/15



I - J. Students in the history department presented research on the rich history of the Mohawk Valley during an annual symposium. 4/25



E - H. Dozens of students presented research on a variety of topics during the annual Student Research Day. 4/29

"I'm going to take people out and backpack around." That's definitely not what this degree is about. The degree is for physical education or health teachers, corporate wellness directors, or someone who might want to be a coach and a teacher.

Q: If someone wants to take one of your classes, what should he or she expect?

A: We are trying to train our people to be well rounded. If you look at typical physical education teachers, they might teach basketball and volleyball and softball. My students are trained to not only teach the challenge courses, but also to teach all of the recreational activities in the New York state area. With the long and hard winters here, cross-country skiing is something that needs to be taught to our youth. Also, there are many resources for snow shoeing and kayaking. So what I'm trying to do is get these students ready to teach everything that New York has to offer. My students are also trained to zip-line, after learning all of the components.

Q: What skills do you want your students to develop and take away from the classroom?

Students work a lot with prevention. So, for example, we focus on prevention of bullying, prevention of diabetes and awareness of diversity, just to name a few. There are overall health and wellness games. And with that, students learn initiative and problem-solving skills. They have to brainstorm and think about how people of all ages will be able to successfully complete these games. In order to do this, the

students have to think critically while completing the game and in turn, learning becomes fun. They need to be able to write an eight-hour program, understand how to do it, know the sequence of the games and how to execute them appropriately to get the outcome they want. There is a tremendous amount of communication and group dynamic skills that go into this leadership role, which are skills that benefit people in all fields.

Q: What kind of options and advantages could this major provide someone in the job market? What are some possible career outcomes?

A: One of the great things about this degree is that it gives students a lot of options. One up-and-coming career is corporate wellness; our students will be able to do the wellness component, but also a leadership component. A company could have their employees come to complete a ropes course, but the boss might also come and say, "Our staff has been having a difficulty resolving problems, can you help them?" Absolutely. They can complete a conflict resolutions course. A lot of corporations are looking for that right now. And then there's teaching. The most critical component right now in teaching is your resume really needs to be the one that goes to the top of the stack. So, if you are just a traditional physical education teacher, just doing the norm, what stands out about you? Our grads will be in a position to get certified in teaching. They can go on to get an ACSM certification or work in a wellness center; we can help make that happen for them.

IN THE NEWS...



Meteorologist and fitness expert Jill Reale of WKTV News Channel 2 tried out the new zipline in the Clark Athletic Center, as part of a story on the College's new Wellness and Adventure Education major. On the platform is assistant professor Carrie Taylor. 4/27

- **Austen Givens**, professor of practice in cybersecurity, provided expert commentary on the business of counterterrorism and the significance of public-private partnerships in national defense to special correspondent Daisy Khalifa for "SeaPower," the official magazine of the U.S. Navy. 4/15
- **Richard Moon**, student teacher placement coordinator, penned a guest editorial for *The Observer-Dispatch* on the state of New York State public schools, the governor's recommendations for teacher evaluation, Common Core, standardized testing, and more. 4/21
- **Raymond Philo**, professor of practice in criminal justice, spoke with *WUTR TV Eyewitness News* reporter Marc Barraco about his research and work uncovering and identifying human remains found on the grounds of New Hartford High School during construction projects over the last 60 years. 4/19
- **David Roberts**, adjunct professor of psychology, had an article published on "The Grief Toolbox" web site titled "What Cancer Has Taught Me About Life and Loss." 3/29
- **Sarah Burnett-Wolle**, associate professor of therapeutic recreation and chair of life studies, and **Carrie Taylor**, assistant professor of wellness adventure and education, spoke with *WKTV News Channel 2's* meteorologist and fitness expert Jill Reale about the College's new program. Reale and *Observer-Dispatch* chief photographer Mark DiIorio had the opportunity to try out the new zipline in the Harold T. Clark Jr. Athletic Center. 4/27

AROUND CAMPUS - ARTS & CULTURE

A. Suzanne Cleary, winner of the Eugene Paul Nassar Poetry Prize, performed a reading from her book, "Beauty Mark." 4/16

B. More than a hundred students took to the residential quad to celebrate the coming of spring during the annual Holi Festival of Colors. 5/1



C - H. Music, science and the arts were on display during UC's annual Taste of the Arts event. Students, faculty, staff and the community had the opportunity to enjoy live musical performances and readings while enjoying liquid nitrogen ice cream and more. 4/8

UPCOMING EVENTS/TRAINING

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

For Health and Wellness events, visit utica.edu/hr/wellness

May

- 5/13/15 Tree Dedication Ceremony in Memory of Thom Brown**
3:30p.m.; Behind the Faculty Center
- 05/13/15 Pioneer Hall of Fame and Senior Recognition**
5:30 p.m.; Harold T. Clark Jr. Athletic Center.
(Registration Required)
- 05/16/15 Graduate Commencement Ceremony**
2:00 p.m.; The Stanley.
- 05/17/15 Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony** 9:30 a.m.;
The Utica Memorial Auditorium.
- 05/21/15 Maximize Your Brain Health** 1:00 p.m. - 02:00 p.m.;
Boehlert Conference Room.
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Clark City Center Conference Room.
- 05/25/15 College Holiday**
- 05/26/15 Summer Session A Begins**
- 05/29/15 Annual Recognition Ceremony.** 2:30 p.m.;
Library Concourse.

UC HOSTS SITRIN CELEBRITY CLASSIC



The 13th Annual Celebrity Classic Wheelchair Basketball Game, held on April 16 at Utica College, raised more than \$15,000 for the Sitrin Health Care Center's STARS (Success Through Adaptive Recreation and Sports) program. Some of the celebrity players included Dwayne "The Pearl" Washington, former Syracuse University Men's Basketball point guard, Eric Devendorf, former Syracuse University Men's Basketball scoring guard, Erin Hamlin, Olympic bronze medalist, and Utica College President Todd Hutton.

AROUND CAMPUS - FOR A CAUSE



The Utica College chapter of College's Against Cancer hosted its first ever Relay for Life Event.

Relay for Life is a 24-hour event with the purpose of raising money to put an end cancer. Nearly 300 participants raised more than \$20,000 during the inaugural event. 4/17

