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Daniel Kurtz, Associate Professor of Biology

By Kevin Montano '16, PR Intern

Q: Tell me a little bit about yourself

A: I've been teaching biology at Utica College for the last 13 years. In my free time, I am working to build and furnish a small cabin in Vermont. I'm also very interested in

Q: What interested you in biology?

A: It wasn't until high school that I really became interested in biology, and that was because of my high school biology teacher. He helped to show me the evidence behind science. I was always very data driven and this is what really caught my interest.

Q: What is the focus of your research?

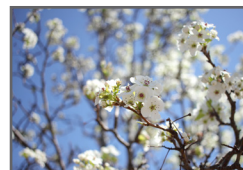
A: My research focuses on sensory biology, and specifically the sense of smell. One of my current projects involves looking at whether you can diagnose a smell disorder through perceptual relationships similar to how you would diagnose color blindness. Medicine is shifting to evidence-based reasoning, which makes this research ever more impactful and interesting.

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the tiny house movement and have been helping my daughter-in-law build one of her own. It's a great way to reduce our environmental impact and live within our means.

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- Daniel Kurtz



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Thanks to the generosity and teamwork of so many, Utica College achieved our ambitious goal of \$970,000 for the Annual Fund! A celebration, sponsored by The Matt Brewing Company, was held in The Pioneer Pub. *06/18*

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HR NOTES

Welcome

DeAnna Bay, *Internship PCL Staff/Internship Coordinator, School of Health Professions & Education*

Lauren Crandall, *Area Coordinator*

Christopher Cirelli, *Transfer Credit Evaluator*

Elizabeth Ewell, *Assistant Registrar for Academic Services*

Holly Fedorka, *Gift Processing Specialist, Office of Advancement*

Sarah Heil, *Administrative Assistant III*

Christopher Johnson, *Dean of International Education*

Pamela Matt, *Executive Director of Young Scholars Liberty Partnerships Program*

New Titles

Polly Smith, *Associate Provost for Online Learning and Vice President for Online and Extended Studies*

Sharon Wise, *Dean for the School of Arts and Sciences*

David Scott Welch, *Assitant Coordinator of Communication Services, Office of Purchasing and Accounts*

Retirees

Civita Brown, *Internship Coordinator*

Flossie Mitchell, *Director YSLPP*

Dale Scalise-Smith, *Vice President for the School of Online and Extended Studies and External Partnerships*

Faculty Promotions

Daniel Barr, *Assistant Professor to Associate Professor of Chemistry*

David Chanatry, *Associate Professor to Professor of Journalism*

Nancy Hollins, *Associate Professor to Professor of Occupational Therapy*

Sharon Kanfoush, *Associate Professor to Professor of Geology*

Arlene Lundquist, *Associate Professor to Professor of Psychology*

Curtis Pulliam, *Associate Professor to Professor of Chemistry*

Ahmed Radwan, *Assistant Professor to Associate Professor of Physical Therapy*



CONGRATULATIONS!

After an incredibly successful first month of the Kudos Card program, we are pleased to announce that our first monthly drawing winner is.....

DOUG CROFT

Congratulations, Doug, and enjoy your \$50 gift certificate to Symeon's Restaurant!

Many thanks to everyone who has used the Kudos Card program to recognize the great work of a colleague. We are pleased to report that there have been close to 150 Kudos Cards given in the last month alone - let's keep it going!

As a reminder, you can access the link below at any time to recognize a colleague for his/her great work:

utica.edu/kudos

Faculty Promotions (continued)

Joseph Ribaud, *Assistant Professor to Associate Professor of Physics*

R. Scott Smith, *Associate Professor to Professor of Psychology*

Patricia Swann, *Associate Professor to Professor of Public Relations/Journalism*

Xiao Xiao, *Assistant Professor to Associate Professor of Mathematics*

Faculty Earning Tenure

Helen Blouet, *Associate Professor of Anthropology*

Cynthia Love-Williams, *Assistant Professor of Nursing*

Alyssa Thomas, *Assistant Professor of Chemistry*

Dimitar Todorov, *Assistant Professor of Construction Management*

Nancy Vaccaro, *Assistant Professor of Nursing*

Emeritus Status

Cecilia Friend, M.A., *Professor of Public Relations and Journalism*

Diane Matza, Ph.D., *Professor of English*

Randall Nichols, M.B.A. and M.S.Ch.E., *Professor of Cybersecurity, Emeritus*

Sally Townsend, Ph.D., *Associate Professor of Occupational Therapy*

Emeritus Status and Terminal Promotion

Beverly Marcoline, M.L.S., *Librarian III and Assistant Vice President for the Library and Learning Commons*

CHANCE TO MEET WITH PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH FIRM

UC employees are invited to meet with staff from R.H. Perry and Associates, the executive recruiting firm that has been retained for the College's search for a new president. Matt Kilcoyne and Dr. Jean Scott will be on campus Wednesday and Thursday, July 15-16:

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

10:00 – 11:00 a.m. President's and Provost's Cabinets session

Willard Conference Room

11:15 a.m. – 12:25 p.m. Faculty session 1

Carbone Family Auditorium

12:30 – 1:45 p.m. Emeritus and former trustees session

Willard Conference Room

2:00 – 3:10 p.m. Staff session 1

Carbone Family Auditorium

3:15 – 4:25 p.m. Student session

Carbone Family Auditorium

THURSDAY, JULY 16

9:00 – 10:10 a.m. Staff session 2

Carbone Family Auditorium

12:15 – 1:45 p.m. Alumni session

Willard Conference Room

3:00 – 4:10 p.m. Faculty session 2

Carbone Family Auditorium

Mark Salsbury '79, board member and chair of the presidential search committee, said that faculty and staff input will be important in building the job description and search profile for the position. Additional stakeholder meetings/pre-search sessions will be held on campus in late August to edit the job description.

AROUND CAMPUS

Construction continues on the Student Welcome Center and the Todd and Jennifer Hutton Sports and Recreation Dome. Both facilities are expected to open for the fall of 2015. 7/08



Hossein Behforooz, professor of mathematics, presented a talk at Athens Institute for Education and Research about Towers of Powers in June, and also gave another talk on Integro and differentio spline functions, at the Department of Mathematics, Cyprus University, in July 2015.

David Chanatry, assistant professor of journalism and director of the New York Reporting Project at UC, reported on the decline of mainline protestant religions. The piece, which aired last year on public radio stations in New York and New England, was a finalist in the Religion Newswriters Association's media awards.

Austen Givens, professor of practice in cybersecurity; **Leonard Popyack**, associate professor of cybersecurity; and **Anthony Martino**, director of the Northeast Cybersecurity Forensic Center at UC, participated in the New York State Cybersecurity Conference in Albany. *6/3*

Tyson Kreiger, associate professor of psychology; **R. Scott Smith**, professor of psychology; and **Steven Specht**, professor of psychology, represented Utica College at the Colgate-Hamilton-Utica College Psychology Symposium. The professors collaborated and discussed various research projects. *6/9*

The College and University Association for Human Resources (CUPA-HR) has awarded **Linda Madore**, compensation and benefits manager, a scholarship to

attend the group's annual conference in Orlando, Florida, in September. The scholarships are sponsored by Voya. *6/10*

James Norrie, dean of the School of Business and Justice Studies, gave a speech on new cyber threats at the Financial Services Information Sharing and Analysis Center (FS-ISAC) workshop, hosted by the National Council of ISACs. The workshop took place on Toronto Island, Canada. *6/23*

Christopher Riddle, associate professor of philosophy and chair of the Applied Ethics Institute, edited a special edition of the journal "Essays in Philosophy." The special edition focused on gun control; Riddle wrote the introduction and an essay, "On Risk and Responsibility: Gun Control and the Ethics of Hunting," for the journal. *7/7*

David Roberts, adjunct professor of psychology, presented two workshops at the National Conference of Compassionate Friends in Dallas: "Nature, Animals and Grief" and "Journey of Self-Discovery: Empowerment through Grief" with Kris Munsch. *7/10*

Thomas Rossi, associate professor of management, earned a Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) degree from Northcentral University, Prescott Valley, Arizona. His dissertation focused on how employees feel when their small business is served by a Professional Employer Organization (PEO). Rossi, who joined UC in

1979, has a special interest in human resource management education. *6/6*

Jessica Thomas, assistant professor of biology, presented a poster at the 20th International C. elegans Meeting at UCLA. Thomas's poster, "Using Genetic Screens to Initiate Undergraduate Research: Identifying Regulatory Cofactors of the C. elegans Cellular Fusogen, EFF-1, and Their Effects on Epithelial Cell Fusion," was a collaboration with Matthew Betzenhauser at the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory, Utica. In addition, **Patrick Spica '16** presented a poster titled "The Effects of Wrapping NGM Culture Plates with Parafilm M on the Growth and Development of Caenorhabditis elegans." Spica worked with Sara Scanga, associate professor of biology. **Mary Brockett '15** presented a poster titled "Virulence of a Novel Melanin Producing Pseudomonas Species UC174 on C. elegans." This work was in collaboration with Lawrence Aaronson, professor of biology.

David Wittner, professor of history, served as a senior scholar mentor for junior faculty at a workshop on the history of East Asian science and technology at the Needham Institute at Cambridge University, UK, in June. He was subsequently invited to serve on its advisory board. *6/12*

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Q: Why study sensory biology?

A: The senses are often taken for granted, until we no longer have them. Hearing and vision are paid close attention to but people don't often think about how life would be without a sense of smell. An absence of smell is harder to understand but it can have a significant impact on an individual's taste in food and their overall behavior and interactions with others. The sense of smell is essential to how we taste food. When you say something doesn't taste right, what you're really talking about in part is its smell.

Q: What has your experience been like here at Utica College?

A: I work in an absolutely wonderful department. I've worked in other places where everyone doesn't get along and it is incredible to be amongst a group of faculty who really work well together.

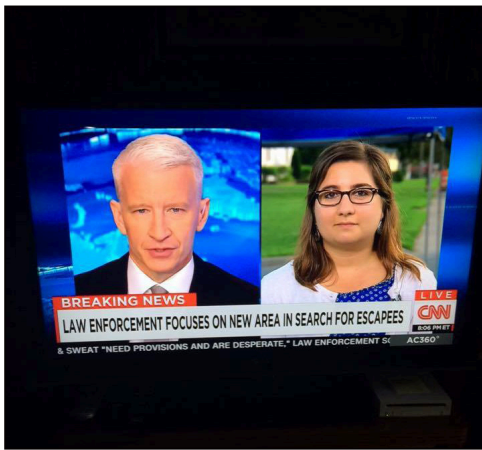
Q: What was it like teaching a course in Copenhagen?

A: I had a really enjoyable time teaching abroad. I was teaching a course on the neurobiology of fear to students from St. Lawrence University. It can often be hard for science majors to study abroad because of their course load. Because this course was shorter and after the semester had ended, it did not require these students to lose any time with completing their degrees.

Q: Where do you see the field of biology in the next five to 10 years?

A: Over the next decade we will likely continue to see changes in how we think things work. As we gain more and more evidence, we will continue to adapt past beliefs and hypotheses to align with our evidence. This has been the century of biology and I expect we will continue to delve deeper into the study of this incredibly complex area of science.

IN THE NEWS...



Keshia Clukey '08, reporting on the NY Prison Break on CNN's Anderson Cooper 360.

- **President Todd S. Hutton** spoke with *WUTR Eyewitness News* reporter Marc Barraco about his keynote presentation at the 5th Annual J.L. Griffin Scholarship Awards Dinner. 6/18
- **Jakki Pickett**, counselor/AOD educator, spoke with *OD* reporter Phil Vanno about a nationwide decline of drinking on college campuses. 6/19
- **James Norrie**, dean of the School of Business and Justice Studies, wrote an article for "Frontline Security" magazine and website, titled "Waging 'War' Against the Cyber Threat." Norrie discussed the use of oftentimes inflammatory metaphors and rhetoric in describing cyber espionage, subversion and sabotage, and the need for practical, legal and ethical boundaries to govern cyber professionals. 6/20
- **David Chanatry**, associate professor of journalism and director of the New York Reporting Project at UC, reported on natural gas storage around Seneca Lake. The story was picked up by *NPR's* "All Things Considered" for its national broadcast. 6/20
- News about UC's new MPS degree in Cyber Policy and Risk Analysis, distributed via *PRNewswire*, was picked up by more than 250 websites around the U.S., including *DowJones Marketwatch*, *Reuters*, *The Boston Globe* and the *Chicago Business Journal*. 6/24
- *The Tampa Bay Times* reported on new commissioner of the Southeastern Conference, **Greg Sankey**, his first job at Utica College and how he credits his Utica connections with the success he has today. 6/26
- **James Norrie**, dean of the School of Business and Justice Studies, was a guest on the national *CBC* radio show "Here and Now"; host Gillian Deacon interviewed **Norrie** about situations whereby online interactions can threaten one's personal safety. 6/29
- **Austen Givens**, professor of practice of cybersecurity and homeland security expert, spoke with *WKTV News Channel 2's* Gary Liberatore about possible terror threats in the U.S. during the Independence Day holiday celebrations. 6/29
- **Flossie Mitchell**, retiring director of the Young Scholars LPP, and **Pamela Matt**, the new director, were interviewed by both *WKTV News Channel 2* and *WUTR Eyewitness News* about the program's successes and plans for the future. 6/30
- **President Todd S. Hutton** spoke with *OD* reporter **Alissa Scott '14** about current construction projects on campus, and construction that has taken place at UC over the last 20 years. 7/3
- **Raymond Philo**, professor of practice in criminal justice, was interviewed by *Albany Times-Union* reporter **Keshia Clukey '08** about the use of infrared technology in the manhunt for escaped convicts David Sweat and Richard Matt. **Philo** also spoke with *WAER Syracuse Public Media* about what prisons and jails can learn from the prison break in Dannemora. 6/30
- Worth noting: If you followed news coverage of the search for two escaped prison inmates in upstate New York in June, you may have seen news reports from **Keshia Clukey '08**. **Clukey**, who is now with the *Albany Times Union*, reported daily on the search and was also interviewed by *CNN*, *FOX* and the *BBC*. In addition, a photo she took of prison guard Gene Palmer was picked up by the *Associated Press* and appeared on the front page of *The New York Times*.

UPCOMING EVENTS/TRAINING

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

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

July

- 07/15/15 Presidential Search Meetings On Campus**
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- 07/17/15 Retirement Reception for Dale Scalise-Smith, VP-School of Online and Extended Studies and External Partnerships and Professor of PT.** 3:00-4:30 p.m.
Willard Conference Room
- 07/18/15 Admissions: Saturday Information Sessions**
ON-CAMPUS
- 07/18/15 Admissions: Transfer Instant Admit Days**
ON-CAMPUS
- 07/18/15 Admissions: Summer Welcome - Local**
ON-CAMPUS
- 07/21/15 Managing Emotions Under Pressure**
(Pryor) OFF-CAMPUS

August

- 08/27/15 Your Ripple Effect - 4 Core Masteries for Effective Leaders, Webinar** (HERC). 1:00-2:00 p.m., Office of Human Resources, Rhoads Conference Room

Check out HR's new page for training and development:
utica.edu/hr/trainingopp.cfm

BOILERMAKER 2015



UC'S DR. MICHELLE E. HADDAD '81 MEMORIAL WATER STATION

THANK YOU!

To all of the members of the Utica College community (alumni, families, and friends) who came out to honor this tradition of community spirit!

AROUND CAMPUS

A. - B. More than 700 college admissions counselors and high school guidance counselors converged on the UC campus for the New York State Association of College Admissions Counselors annual conference. 6/9 - 6/12

C. Donald Rebovich, associate professor of criminal justice and executive director of the Center for Identity Management and Information Protection, presents during a session for the NYSACAC conference. 6/11

D. - E. The Economic Crime, Justice Studies and Cybersecurity department hosted an interactive display from the Oneida County Sheriff's Office to highlight how criminal justice students apply skills learned in the real world. 6/11

