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# THE SOURCE

MARCH 2016

## UC PEOPLE

Ronny Bull - Assistant Professor of Computer Science

By Marissa Filletti '18, PR Intern

**Q: Tell us a little about yourself.**

**A:** I've lived in the area pretty much my whole life. I run an IT and security consulting company and am able to bring that experience back to the classroom. I'm finishing my Ph.D. in computer science with a concentration in computer security from Clarkson University. I'm researching virtualized environments

**Q: How did you find yourself at UC?**

**A:** Well, I've been teaching for six years. I taught at SUNY Poly and at MVCC prior to that. Last spring at SUNY's Hackathon event, some UC professors reached out to me and told me there was a position open and that I should apply because my technical background could bring a lot to the program.

**Q: What is the connection between the cybersecurity and computer science programs? Why is it so important to bridge the gap between them?**

**A:** The programs are very related. Many of my students are cybersecurity students. I'm teaching network security this semester. I taught fundamentals of networking last semester and we are working on rolling out some new courses such as scripting for cybersecurity so that both sides are getting the highly technical aspects of network security and

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and security and how different attacks actually play out within those environments. We're doing some of that research here with a couple of students and hope to bring that research to some big conferences this summer.

*"We are providing the hands-on experience."*

*-Ronny Bull*



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*A student studies outside on an unseasonably warm March day. UC students got an early taste of spring before leaving for break. 3/9*

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# HR NOTES

## New Hires

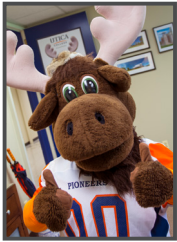
Mary (Katie) Maneen, '13 *Coordinator of Enrollment Operations*

## New Titles

James Lemieux, *Associate Head Coach for Track and Field*

Eric Parker, *Head Coach for Men's and Women's Cross Country/ Track and Field*

## CONGRATULATIONS!



The Kudos Card program monthly drawing winner is...

**Derek Pooley**

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

You can access the link below at any time to recognize a colleague for his/her great work:

[utica.edu/kudos](http://utica.edu/kudos)



## SHINE A LIGHT

### PSAC Professional Excellence in Service Award Nomination

Now is your opportunity to nominate PSAC member colleagues for the excellent service they have provided in going above and beyond expectations!

Follow the link below to access the nomination form. If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Guca in Library Services.

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and networking. Cybersecurity students focus in more heavily on policy, law enforcement and forensics so our job is to bring the hacker perspective to the table. Both the offensive and defensive perspectives are important in understanding how to be proactive.

### **Q: Tell me about bringing Hackathon to UC for the first time.**

**A:** I am one of the founders of the Hackathon; we started it three years ago at SUNY Poly. Now that I'm here, the Hackathon came with me. It's a really great opportunity for our students to interact with students from other schools and apply what they learn in the classroom to very real scenarios. It started with just UC, SUNY Poly, MVCC and HCCC participating, but it has grown so much over the years. This semester, we are bringing in students from eight different schools including Hamilton, Le Moyne, SUNY Morrisville, Syracuse University and even students from the local BOCES. Sixty-five students are already registered and we are expecting around 120.

### **Q: What will students actually be doing at Hackathon?**

**A:** Hackathon is a cybersecurity competition in which students participate in challenges that test their abilities to maintain control of their network system. In order to do this, they need to target threatening systems while also defending their system against attackers. The teams are organized to include

members with different skill levels to ensure no one team has an advantage. Friday (April 22) is when the students come together with their team for the first time and assess each person's strengths and weaknesses to determine who will be successful completing which tasks during the actual event on Saturday. Friday night we also will have a variety of speakers, exposing students to somewhat of a conference atmosphere. On Saturday, April 23, in addition to the competition, we have invited several employers to take part in a job fair including our two sponsors, Assured Information Security (AIS) and M.A. Polce Consulting Inc. This is a great opportunity for students to network and for employers to meet and see potential job candidates in action, as they work through challenges that arise in the real world.

### **Q: What do you foresee happening in the future as far as personal and businesses network security?**

**A:** It's getting harder and more complicated. We need students to understand how all this works. A lot of times students have the book knowledge but they don't get the hands-on experience. We are providing the hands-on experience here. We want students that can go out into the market and build more defense mechanisms so that our future can be more safe and secure. This field is ever-changing and we need people who understand the lay of the land and can react based upon what is going on.



**Hossein Behforooz**, professor of mathematics, wrote and published a chapter section titled "Linear Algebra Properties of the Magic Squares" in the book "Topics in Recreational Mathematics" by Charles Ashbacher, February 2016 (ISBN-13: 978-1530004225).

- **Behforooz** has also reviewed an article as a referee for the Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics, titled "On Local Integro Spline," in February.

**James C. Brown**, assistant professor of criminal justice, presented at the Annual Conference of the New York State Criminal Justice Studies Technical Education Career Instructors Association in Albany. Brown's talk was titled, "Broken Branches: Our Duty as Criminal Justice Instructors." 1/26

**David Chanatry**, professor of journalism, won a Broadcast Education Association (BEA) Best of Festival King Foundation award for his story, "Seneca Lake Blockade," in the radio hard news reporting category. The story, produced in conjunction with the New York Reporting Project at Utica College, aired on WAMC Northeast Public Radio last summer. The award will be presented at the 14th Annual BEA awards ceremony in Las Vegas next month.

**Thomas Crist**, Harold T. Clark Professor of Anthropology and Anatomy, published "To Arise Out of the Dust: A Bioarchaeological Profile of Philadelphia's Historical African-American Community" in "Seated at the Same Table: Archaeologies of African-American Life in the Upper Mid-Atlantic." Edited by M.J. Gall and R.F. Veit, the book is published by University of Alabama Press, Birmingham.

**Ashraf Elmarakby**, assistant professor of physical therapy, in collaboration with a SUNY Poly Engineering professor, submitted a concept paper that was accepted for publication and presentation at the IEEE, one of the largest engineering, computing and technology information organizations.

**Leonore Fleming**, assistant professor of philosophy, gave a lecture at Colgate University on February 16 as part of its Spring Humanities Colloquium. Her lecture was titled "The Rise of Big Data, and Where It Can Go From Here."

**James Smith**, associate professor of physical therapy, received the prestigious James Dunleavy Distinguished Service Award during the proceedings of the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) Combined Sections Meeting last month. Smith was honored for distinguished service to the Academy of Acute Care Physical Therapy. Smith is a past president of the academy, and during his presidency he and his team were presented with the APTA's Outstanding Section Award, based on their many projects, membership activities and comprehensive communication strategies. Pictured are, at left, James Dunleavy (for whom the award is named) and Jim Smith.



**Sharon Kanfoush**, professor of geology, authored a manuscript titled "A pulse in the delivery of ice-rafted debris at site 704 in the southeast Atlantic during glacial Termination V" that has been accepted for publication in the peer-reviewed journal "Marine Geophysical Research."

The National Society of Leadership and Success (NSLS) at UC recently honored: **Daniel Barr**, Ph.D., associate professor of chemistry; **David Chanatry**, professor of journalism; **Thomas Crist**, Ph.D., professor of physical therapy; **Leonore Fleming**, assistant professor of philosophy; **Kateri Henkel**, director

of learning services; **Daniel Kurtz**, Ph.D., associate professor of biology; **Derek Pooley**, assistant director of residence life; **Christopher Riddle**, Ph.D., assistant professor of philosophy; **Charleen Sangiacomo**, academic support and advising coordinator; **Mary Siniscarco**, assistant professor of health studies; **Jo Ellen Vespo**, Ph.D., professor of psychology and psychology - child life; and **Gregory Walsh**, Ph.D., assistant professor of criminal justice.

*Please send information and photos for KUDOS to [source@utica.edu](mailto:source@utica.edu).*

## 2016 SPRING CAREER FAIR



*Students and community members had the opportunity to meet with dozens of prospective employers during the annual career and internship fair sponsored by the Office of Career Services. Students also had the chance to get a professional headshot taken free of charge. 3/2*

# IN THE NEWS...



Lana Nitti '17, chemistry major who is one of 10 finalists for a full-tuition scholarship as a "Science Ambassador" for Cards Against Humanity, was interviewed by WKTV and the Observer Dispatch.

- **Joseph Giordano**, professor of practice and director of cybersecurity programs, spoke with Frank DiMaria, a reporter for *The Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education*, about the College's varied offerings in cybersecurity. The article is set to appear in the April issue of the magazine. [1/14](#)
- **David Roberts**, adjunct professor in psychology, published two more blogs in *The Huffington Post's GPS for the Soul*: "Embracing the Duality of Energy: Discovering Our Authentic Selves After Loss," and "I Left You My Heart." [2/23](#), [3/2](#)
- **Luke Perry**, associate professor of government and politics, explained how a caucus works to *WKTV News Channel 2's* Gary Liberatore. [2/1](#)
- **President Todd S. Hutton** and director of physical education and athletics **Dave Fontaine** discussed the College's \$2.5 million HECap funding for the Todd and Jen Hutton Sports and Recreation Center and renovations to the Harold T. Clark Athletic Center with the *Observer-Dispatch*, *Rome Daily Sentinel*, *CNY Business Journal*, *WUTR Eyewitness News* reporter Marc Barraco and *WKTV News Channel 2's* Gary Liberatore. [2/5](#)
- The *Observer-Dispatch*, *WKTV News Channel 2*, *WUTR Eyewitness News*, *Time Warner Cable News*, the *Rome Daily Sentinel*, *WIBX Radio* and *The Tangerine* covered the announcement of UC's new president, **Laura Casamento**. [2/8](#)
- **Casamento** also spoke with *WUTQ's Talk of the Town* and *WIBX's First News with Keeler in the Morning* about the new role she will assume as the first female president of UC. [2/9](#)
- **Luke Perry**, associate professor of government and politics, discussed the New Hampshire primary elections with Kristen Copeland and Don Shipman on *WKTV's Live at Five* news. [2/9](#)
- **Theodore Orlin**, Harold T. Clark Professor Emeritus of Human Rights Scholarship and Advocacy, spoke with *WKTV News Channel 2* anchors Don Shipman, Kristen Copeland and Jason Powles about the opening on the Supreme Court after the death of Justice Antonin Scalia. [2/15](#), [2/19](#)
- **Anthony Martino**, director of the Northeast Cybersecurity and Forensics Center, spoke with *WKTV News Channel 2* reporter Kirk Tupaj and *WUTR Eyewitness News* reporter Marc Barraco about Apple refusing to create code to open the San Bernadino shooter's iPhone. [2/17](#), [2/23](#)
- **James Norrie**, dean of the School of Business and Justice Studies, and Robert Cardillo, adjunct lecturer of management, discussed Apple versus the FBI on *WUTQ's Talk of the Town* morning radio show. [2/19](#)
- **Lana Nitti '17**, chemistry major who is one of 10 finalists for a full-tuition scholarship as a "Science Ambassador" for Cards Against Humanity, spoke with *WKTV News Channel 2's* Kirk Tupaj and *Observer-Dispatch* education reporter **Alissa Scott '14** about her research in lead in soil, which is particularly high in Utica. [2/18](#), [2/23](#)
- OT major **Jennifer Renker '19** wrote a guest column explaining what occupational therapists do. It was published in the *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle* last month. [2/21](#)
- *WKTV* weekend reporter **Kevin Montano '18** spoke with Donna Murch, keynote speaker for a Black History Month event at the College. [2/22](#)
- **James Teliha**, director of the Gannett Library and Learning Commons, spoke with *WUTR Eyewitness News* Reporter Marc Barraco about the American Library Association and American Civil Liberties Union's position on the Apple versus FBI case in the news. [2/25](#)
- **Halina Lotyczewski**, director of career services, and **Alyssa Ursi '16** spoke with *Observer-Dispatch* reporter John Pitarresi about job prospects in the area, for the *OD's* annual Business Review Section. [2/28](#)



# AROUND CAMPUS AND BEYOND

**A-G:** Members of Alpha Chi Rho (AXP) held their annual Deep Freeze for Cancer campout, raising more than \$5,000 for the American Cancer Society. "Brothers" manned the campsite round the clock all week, battling high winds and bitter cold. Fraternity members hosted education programs throughout the week and held a candlelight vigil to honor and remember those affected by cancer. 2/28 - 3/5



**H-J:** The ground was mostly barren but it was snowing lightly as the UC community gathered on the back lawn of the Strebel Student Center for the intramural snow softball tournament. 3/2

**K.** Members of the Organization of Justice Studies (OJS) toured the Oneida County Public Safety Complex in Oriskany. 2/11



## UPCOMING EVENTS/TRAINING

Please visit [utica.edu/hr/training](http://utica.edu/hr/training) for updates and to register.

For Health and Wellness events, visit [utica.edu/hr/wellness](http://utica.edu/hr/wellness)

### March

- 03/24/16 H&W: Lunch & Learn - "Self-Regulating Failures" PT I.**  
(Register for both sessions)
- 03/25/16 H&W: Lunch & Learn - "Self-Regulating Failures" PT II.**  
(Register for both sessions)
- 03/30/16 Excel Pivot Tables.** 10:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m.; IITS Training Room L121

### April

- 04/01/16 Recognize Text and Other Accessibility Tips for PDF Files. (15-30 Minutes).** 3:00 p.m.; TBA
- 04/04/16 TIAA Individual Appointments.** Strebel Student Center, Room 105C
- 04/06/16 Google Hangouts (45-60 Minutes).** 10:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m.; IITS Training Room L121
- 04/08/16 Google Maps, Google Earth in the classroom (15 Minutes. Webinar).** 3:00 p.m.
- 04/08/-**
- 04/09/16 Relay for Life 6:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m.;** Todd and Jen Hutton Sports and Recreation Center
- 04/13/16 Implementing Clickers for Windows (40 minutes).** 10:00 a.m.; IITS Training Room L121
- 04/13/16 Intro to Banner Native.** 10:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m.; IITS Training Room L121 *(Each session limited to 6 people)*
- 04/22/16 Word Table of Contents (15 minutes) Webinar.** 3:00 p.m.

## AROUND CAMPUS



The Department of Performing and Fine Arts presented its spring play, "The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon." The light-hearted show put a comedic spin on the classic tales of The Brothers Grimm. 2/25 - 2/28

## HOMECOMING 2016



### Save The Date!

**September 23 - 25, 2016**

Save the date for this year's Homecoming Weekend, featuring a full weekend of fun activities including sporting events, an art gallery exhibit, an awards breakfast, a students' showcase, various affinity gatherings including **class-year reunions for '51, '56, '61, '66, '76, '91, '06 and '11...** and much more!

Alumni, students, families and friends, bring your blue and orange gear, along with your Pioneering spirit, to help us celebrate UC's 70th year, and our newest College President, among other historical milestones.

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