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ensure that our students get a world class
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—PRESIDENT VISTASP KARBHARI

NEW FACULTY

COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE, PLANNING AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

DEAN'S OFFICE



Nan Ellin

Professor and Dean

Ph.D., Urban Planning, Columbia University, 1994

SPECIALIZATION: Postmodern Urban Design, Urban Design, Urban Planning

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE



Shima Hamidi

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Metropolitan Planning, Policy, and Design, University of Utah, 2015

SPECIALIZATION: Urban Sprawl, Transportation, Urban Planning

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS



Sneha Bakshi

Visiting Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Economics, University of Texas at Dallas, 2015

SPECIALIZATION: Applied Microeconomics with a Focus on Industrial Organization, Market Structure and Pricing, Public Economics

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND REAL ESTATE



Thomas Hall Thompson

Clinical Associate Professor

Ph.D., Finance, University of Texas at Arlington, 2004

SPECIALIZATION: Bondholder Wealth, Equity Carve-out, SAS and Efficient Portfolios

DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND OPERATIONS
MANAGEMENT



Gene Moo Lee

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Computer Science, University of Texas at Austin, 2015

SPECIALIZATION: Computer Science: Mobile Ecosystems, Social Network Analysis, Business Analytics, Economics of Internet Security

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT



James E. Eastham

Professor in Practice

MBA, Management, Abilene Christian University, 1982

SPECIALIZATION: Senior-level Health Care Management, Former CEO of the Valley Baptist Health System

DEPARTMENT OF MARKETING



Raj Agnihotri

Associate Professor, John Merrill Endowed Professorship in Consultative Sales

Ph.D., Marketing, Kent State University, 2009

SPECIALIZATION: Sales Management, Personal Selling



Lauren Brewer

Clinical Assistant Professor

DBA, Marketing, Louisiana Tech University, 2014

SPECIALIZATION: Services Marketing, Customer Satisfaction



Jacqueline Gill

Clinical Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Education Policy and Law, University of Texas at Arlington, 2015

SPECIALIZATION: Legal Writing, Proposal Writing, Policy Analysis



Scott Hanson

Clinical Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Social Psychology, Washington University in St. Louis, 2004

SPECIALIZATION: Use of Experimental Psychology for Market Research, Strategic Information Usage, Decision Processes



Tatia Jordan

Clinical Assistant Professor

Ph.D., English, Florida State University, 2009

SPECIALIZATION: Business Communications



Kenneth Tellez

Clinical Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Curriculum and Instruction/Learning Design and Technology, New Mexico State University, 2014

SPECIALIZATION: General Management, Fund Development, Career Development, Operational Strategies, Teaching

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION



David Sparks

Assistant Professor

Ed.D., Texas A&M University-Commerce, 2013

SPECIALIZATION: Supervision, Curriculum, Instructional Higher Education

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND POLICY STUDIES



Brian Brown

Clinical Assistant Professor

Ph.D., University of Oklahoma, 2009

SPECIALIZATION: Technology, Digital Learning, Data Management



Diane Patrick

Clinical Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Educational Administration, University of North Texas, 1999

SPECIALIZATION: Former Member of the Texas House of Representatives, Public School Policy, Educational Accountability Systems

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

DEPARTMENT OF BIOENGINEERING



Michael Cho

Professor and Department Chair, Alfred R. and Janet H. Potvin Chaired Professorship

Ph.D., Biophysics/Physics, Drexel University, 1991

HONORS: Fellow, American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering, 2011

SPECIALIZATION: Biomechanics, Biophysics, Tissue Engineering, Cancer Research

DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING



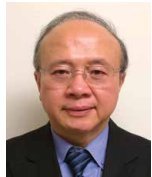
Habib Ahmari

Senior Lecturer

Ph.D., Hydrotechnical Engineering, Queen's University, 2010

SPECIALIZATION: Suspended Sediment Transport, River Ice Breakup Measurements

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING



Hong Jiang

Professor, Wendell H. Nedderman Endowed Professorship

Ph.D., Computer Science, Texas A&M University, 1991

HONORS: Fellow, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers

SPECIALIZATION: Computer Systems Architecture, Cluster and Grid Computing



Chris McMurrough

Senior Lecturer

Ph.D., Computer Science, University of Texas at Arlington, 2013

SPECIALIZATION: Perceptual Computing Techniques for Intelligent Robotic Systems, Micro Air Vehicles (MAVs), Industrial Robots, Embedded Development, Real-time Applications, 3-D Perception/Machine Vision, Assistive Devices



John Robb

Senior Lecturer

Ph.D., Software Engineering, Southern Methodist University, 2014

SPECIALIZATION: Software Engineering, Software Testing

DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL AND AEROSPACE ENGINEERING



David J. Ewing

Senior Lecturer

Ph.D., Mechanical Engineering, Clemson University, 2011

SPECIALIZATION: Thermal Management Systems, Fluid Dynamic Systems, CFD, Engineering Education



Kenneth Reifsnider

Presidential Distinguished Professor

Ph.D., Metallurgy and Solid Mechanics, Johns Hopkins University, 1968

HONORS: Member, National Academy of Engineering, 2004

SPECIALIZATION: High Temperature Energy Systems; Damage Tolerance and Strength-life Relationships in Material Systems; Performance of Life Prognosis, Aging, Material State Changes, Long-term Behavior; Fuel Cell Science and Engineering

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

DEAN'S OFFICE



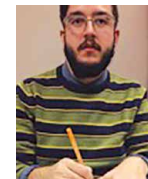
Paul Wong

Dean and Professor

Ph.D., Sociology, University of California, Berkeley, 1971

SPECIALIZATION: Comparative Racial and Ethnic Issues, Chinese Studies, Substance Abuse, Chaldean Americans/Arabs in the U.S., Ethnic Groups and Organ Donation

DEPARTMENT OF ART AND ART HISTORY



Gregory "Scott" Cook

Assistant Professor

MFA, Printmaking/New Genres, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 2013

SPECIALIZATION: Field Recording, Locationally Specific Sound and Video, Collected/Archived Objects as a History of Movement



Diantha Steinhilper

Senior Lecturer

Ph.D., Art History, Spanish Baroque/Colonial Mexico, Florida State University, 2013

SPECIALIZATION: Colonial Maps of Mexico, Mapping Identity, 18th Century Multiracial Families in Colonial America

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION



Damla Ricks

Lecturer

MA, Communication Studies, University of North Texas, 2011

SPECIALIZATION: Communication Studies, Organizational Communications

DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE



Sarah Ann El Sayed

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Criminology, University of Texas at Dallas, 2015

SPECIALIZATION: Female Offenders



Kent Kerley

Professor and Department Chair

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Tennessee, 2001

SPECIALIZATION: Corrections, Religiosity, Drug Careers

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH



Estee Beck

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., English, Bowling Green State University, 2015

SPECIALIZATION: Persuasive Computer Algorithms, Digital Rhetorical Theory, Surveillance Literacies, Qualitative Research, Digital Multimodal Projects



Erin Murrah-Mandril

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., English, University of New Mexico, 2014

SPECIALIZATION: English Language and Literature



Kenton Rambsy

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., English/African American Literature, University of Kansas, 2015

SPECIALIZATION: Digital Project Management, Metadata, History of Black Writing



Christian Worlow

Senior Lecturer

Ph.D., English, University of North Texas, 2013

SPECIALIZATION: British Renaissance Drama

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY



Paul Conrad

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., History, University of Texas at Austin, 2011

SPECIALIZATION: Colonial North American History, American Indian Studies, History of Slavery

DEPARTMENT OF MODERN LANGUAGES



Ana Gregorio Cano

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Didactic Translation, University of Granada, Spain, 2014

SPECIALIZATION: Translation English/French-Spanish

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC



S. Andrew Eldridge, Jr.

Senior Lecturer

DMA, Percussion Performance, Texas Christian University, 2015

SPECIALIZATION: Percussion, Cognate in Music Theory



John Brian Wayman

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Fine Arts in Music Education, Texas Tech University, 2011

SPECIALIZATION: Male Changing Voice, Music as an Educational Tool for the Traditional Classroom, Development of the Pre-service Teacher

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY AND HUMANITIES



Daniel Giberman

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Philosophy, Stanford University, 2010

SPECIALIZATION: Metaphysics, Philosophy of Mind



Nakia Pope

Associate Professor and Director, Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence

Ph.D., Social Foundations of Education, University of Virginia, 2005

SPECIALIZATION: Educational Technology, Philosophy of Education, Teaching and Learning, Gamification, Faculty Development

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE



Herschel "Trey" Thomas

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Government, University of Texas at Austin, 2015

SPECIALIZATION: Public Policy and American Politics with an Emphasis on Agenda-setting, Organized Interests, and Lobbying

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY



Kelly Bergstrand

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Arizona, 2015

SPECIALIZATION: Social Movements, Environmental Sociology, Social Psychology



Isabel Montemayor

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Medical Anthropology, Michigan State University, 2014

SPECIALIZATION: Transborder Health of Mexican Immigrants, Qualitative Researcher/Ethnography, Macrolevel Institutional Policies

COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH INNOVATION

DEPARTMENT OF KINESIOLOGY



R. Matthew Brothers

Associate Professor

Ph.D., Biomedical Sciences/Integrative Physiology, University of North Texas Health Science Center, 2007

SPECIALIZATION: Cardiovascular Physiology, Exercise Physiology, Thermoregulatory Physiology, Pathophysiology



Paul Fadel

Professor

Ph.D., Biomedical Sciences, University of North Texas Health Science Center, 2000

SPECIALIZATION: Neural Mechanisms that Contribute to Exercise-induced Sympathoexcitation as well as the Peripheral Modulators of Sympathetically Mediated Vasoconstriction in Contracting Skeletal Muscle; Age-related Alterations in Neural Cardiovascular Control During Exercise



Michael Nelson

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Kinesiology, University of Minnesota, 2014

SPECIALIZATION: Respiratory Exchange Ratio, Metabolic Health, Athletic Performance



Luzita Isabel Vela

Clinical Associate Professor

Ph.D., Kinesiology, Penn State University, 2005

SPECIALIZATION: Evidence-based Practice, Disablement, Clinical Outcomes Assessment, Understanding Clinical Decision Making of Novice Clinicians

DEPARTMENT OF NURSING



Marco Brotto

Professor, George W. and Hazel M. Jay Professorship

Ph.D., Physiology and Biophysics, Trinity College, Oxford, England, 1999

SPECIALIZATION: Muscle Physiology and Intracellular Calcium Signaling, Muscle Weakness in Elderly



Essence Carter-Griffin

Clinical Assistant Professor

DNP, University of Texas at Arlington, 2014

SPECIALIZATION: Pulmonary Critical Care/Intensivist



John D. Gonzalez

Clinical Assistant Professor

DNP, Texas Woman's University, 2010

SPECIALIZATION: Adult Gerontologic Acute Care



Mark Haykowsky

Professor, Moritz Chair of Geriatric Nursing Research

Ph.D., Physical Education-Cardiovascular Exercise Physiology, University of Alberta, Canada, 1998

SPECIALIZATION: Aerobic Capacity Across the Heart Failure Continuum; Cardio-oncology Field with Specific Emphasis on the Role of Exercise Training to Prevent Anti-cancer Therapy Mediated Cardiovascular Dysfunction



Lynda Jarrell

Clinical Assistant Professor

DNP, American Sentinel University, 2014

SPECIALIZATION: Mentoring Programs for Nurse Practitioners, Obesity of All Ages, Congestive Heart Failure, Preventive Health



Melissa Lagrone

Clinical Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Nursing Research and Theory, Texas Woman's University, 1994

SPECIALIZATION: Nursing Administration, Multidisciplinary Teams Across the Health Care System, Relationships Between the Delivery of Health Care Outcomes at Both the Patient and System Level



Amy Marshall

Clinical Assistant Professor

DNP, Samford University, 2015

SPECIALIZATION: Nursing Education, Military Transportable Hospitals, Critical Care



Kimberly Posey

Clinical Assistant Professor

DNP, Texas Christian University, 2013

SPECIALIZATION: Gerontology



Gigi Thomas

Clinical Assistant Professor

DNP, University of Texas at Arlington, 2013

SPECIALIZATION: Childhood Obesity

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

DEAN'S OFFICE



Morteza Khaledi

Professor and Dean

Ph.D., Chemistry, University of Florida, 1984

SPECIALIZATION: High Performance Capillary Electrophoresis (HPCE) and High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC); Applications of Micellar Electrokinetic Chromatography (MEKC) and Micellar Liquid Chromatography (MLC) in Quantitative Structure Activity Relationships (QSAR)

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY



Clay Clark

Professor and Department Chair

Ph.D., Biochemistry/Biophysics, Texas A&M University, 1994

SPECIALIZATION: Apoptosis, Cell Death, Caspases, Cancer Biology, Protein Assembly, Protein Engineering, Allosteric Activators, Drug Design, High-Throughput Drug Screening, X-ray Crystallography



Gretchen Gann

Lecturer

MS, Biology, Texas Christian University, 2014

SPECIALIZATION: Ecology

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY



Robin Macaluso

Associate Professor

Ph.D., Chemistry, Louisiana State University, 2004

SPECIALIZATION: Synthesis and Characterization of Two Groups of Solid-state Compounds: Novel Rare-earth Intermetallics and Oxynitrides; Magnetic Behavior of Emergent Intermetallic Compounds



Jennifer Rhinehart

Lecturer

Ph.D., Chemistry, University of Rochester, 2011

SPECIALIZATION: Organometallic Catalysts Development for Small Molecules and Polymers

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS



Sarah Hawkins

Lecturer

MS, Mathematics, University of Texas at Arlington, 2007

SPECIALIZATION: Pure Mathematics, Developmental and Freshman-level Mathematics Education

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS



Haleh Hadavand

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Physics, University of California, San Diego, 2012

SPECIALIZATION: Charged Higgs-Boson Particle, ATLAS Experiment

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK



Mike Killian

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Social Work, Florida State University, 2012

SPECIALIZATION: Pediatric Health, Child Welfare/Protection



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