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WELCOME BACK

One of the things I've always loved about working in higher education is the way that each new semester brings a new schedule and a fresh start. I'm feeling especially optimistic this semester.



As you've no doubt heard, the campus administration recently released an official statement affirming the crucial role of the liberal arts at IUPUI, and at the January meeting of the IUPUI Faculty Council, that statement received the unanimous endorsement of the faculty.

You can read:

- Campus Statement on the Role of Liberal Arts at IUPUI,
- Kathy's supporting thoughts in the Office of Academic Affairs Newsletter

Now that the campus has affirmed the critical importance of the liberal arts, it's up to us to come up with new and creative ways for all IUPUI students, regardless of their school or major, to benefit from what we have to offer.

In the coming weeks, we will discuss a number of new initiatives, including one that could greatly increase the number of dual degree students we have in the school. I hope you take part in these conversations, beginning at this Friday's faculty assembly.

The ball's in our court, you might say. Let's make sure we take advantage of this important moment.

As always, thanks for all you're doing.

Best wishes, RR



HEADLINES

New NEH award for Discover Indiana II

Congratulations to **Jennifer Guiliano**, associate professor of history, and **Rebecca Shrum**, associate professor of history and assistant director of the Public History program for being awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) grant (\$150,000) for their project, "Discover Indiana II."



Guilliano

Rebecca Shrum

With their funding, Guiliano and Shrum will combine their expertise in digital humanities and public history to develop new content for the Discover Indiana phone app and website, which is a project of the Public History program as well as the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology and the Indiana Historical Society. The phone app and website showcase images, brief facts, and virtual tours related to state history, such as the Indiana Avenue jazz scene and the background of the Sherman Minton bridge. Guiliano and Shrum will update and expand Discover Indiana in partnership with 28 cultural heritage institutions from around the state.

Their project is among 253 projects funded by the endowment with grants, announced last month, that total \$14.8 million. The NEH, created in 1965, is an independent federal agency and one of the largest funders of humanities programs in the United States.



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Elizabeth Riyder-Reid, anthropology and museum studies processor, naswon the prestigious Norman Neuerberg Prize from the Historical Society of
Southern California (HSSC) for her book, California Mission Landscapes:
Race, Memory, and the Politics of Heritage.

"Kryder-Reid's research on the mission landscape examines the missions as sites of traumatic heritage," said Susan Hyatt, chair of anthropology. "Her work has been important in shaping our department's attention to the ways in which social inequalities are reflected in a range of landscapes, and we are delighted to see this important book receive the recognition it deserves."

The Norman Neuerburg Award (\$500) honors the best book on California history that emphasizes the nineteenth century or earlier. Kryder-Reid will be honored at the Society's annual conference which will be held at Cal State University Northridge on February 9. Dr. Kryder-Reid is also currently acting director of museum studies, director of the Cultural Heritage Research Center, affiliate faculty member of the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, and adjunct faculty in the history department.



Showcasing recent faculty publications

Have you authored a book within the past year? If so, consider donating or loaning a copy to the Dean's Library, and we'll feature it in the display case near the Writing Center on the 4th floor. You can also have your publication featured online, as part of a compilation of research, scholarly, and literary accomplishments on the new Faculty Publications webpage on the School of Liberal Arts website.

Our many faculty publications reflect the variety of expertise and interest within the School and enriches teaching. As a liberal arts school in a research university, our colleagues' work range from preserving the past, to experiencing cultures around the world, to entertaining our minds.

If you'd like your publication included in these promotional opportunities, you may drop off a copy to the Dean's office.



Mike Polites and Lygia Vernon

Our outstanding academic advisors

Two Liberal Arts academic advisors have been recognized as IUPUI's outstanding academic advisors. The Jaguar Academic Advising Association (JACADA) Advisor of the Year Awards honor academic advisors who demonstrate a deep commitment to providing an exemplary educational experience for IUPUI students. **Mike Polites** was recognized as the Faculty Advisor of the Year, **Lygia Vernon** was recognized as the Runner-Up Outstanding New Advisor, and **Kim Heavrin** was identified at one of the top 15 proactive academic advisors on campus. Award winners were recognized at the annual JACADA awards ceremony on December 13, 2018. Congratulations Mike, Lygia, and Kim!

Save the Date

Sat, April 20, 2019

2019 Celebration of Scholarship

Mark your calendar - the date is set. The 2019 Celebration of Scholarship event will be held on Saturday, April 20, 2019 in the IUPUI Campus Center, Room 450.

Event Schedule:

2:15 p.m.	Recipient registration
2:30 p.m.	General registration and reception
3:00 p.m.	Program

Please plan to attend and celebrate our students and scholarship donors.

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