

Faculty Development Committee
Annual Report, 2019-2020

Membership, 2019-2020

Flip Phillips, Psychology (co-chair, fall 2019)
Jennifer Delton, History (co-chair, fall 2019; chair, spring 2020)
Silvia Carli, Philosophy
Matt Wilt, Studio Arts
Michael Eckmann, Computer Science (replacement, spring 2020)
Janet Casey (Associate Dean of Faculty – non-voting)
Mary Hoehn (Sponsored Research Director – non-voting)

Membership, 2020-2021

Silvia Carli, Philosophy (chair)
Jennifer Delton, History
Matt Wilt, Studio Arts
Sylvia McDevitt, Biology
Janet Casey (Associate Dean of Faculty – non-voting)
Mary Hoehn (Sponsored Research Director – non-voting)

The year in summary

The FDC met 10 times during the year. Our work was suspended in mid-March due to the Covid-19 emergency and the subsequent requisitioning of funds by the college. Thus we were unable to award spring Faculty Development Grants, spring emeriti grants, and the Ciancio Prize.

Nonetheless, we did choose the recipients of the Phyllis Roth Distinguished Service Award and the Edmund Moseley Faculty Lectureship, approved 8 sabbatical enhancement awards, and awarded 24 fall Faculty Development Grants, 2 emeriti grants, 5 Faculty Initiative Grants, and 30 Faculty-Student Summer Research Awards. Due to the Covid-19 situation, which will likely hamper travel and research plans, the Dean's Office has extended the deadlines for the use of the monies awarded. Please see the attached list for names and awards.

Committee Initiatives

This year FDC discussed the impact of Skidmore's changing faculty makeup on current committee membership requirements and criteria for awarding grants. Currently, full-time, non-tenure-track faculty are roughly 35-37% of the faculty at Skidmore, but are not recognized in FDC membership or grant criteria. The exclusion of NTT faculty from serving on FDC limits the pool of faculty members able to serve. The growth of NTT faculty also means that a larger portion of faculty may be excluded from faculty development awards. FDC worked on two related initiatives to address this situation.

→ **New membership configuration:** FEC has had difficulty meeting the divisional and seniority requirements of FDC. In response, FDC approved a change in membership allowing up to two members of the committee to be non-tenured in order to increase the pool of eligible faculty members and to

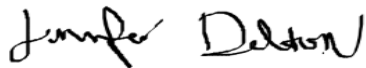
acknowledge the changing makeup of our faculty. FDC will bring a motion to the faculty floor in September 2020 to change the Faculty Handbook language regarding FDC membership.

→ **Changing the priorities/criteria in Faculty Development Grants:** The current FD Opportunities Handbook gives priority in awarding grants first to meritorious proposals. After that, the first priority is to fulltime tenured and tenure-track faculty, and secondarily to fulltime continuing non-tenure track (NTT) and temporary faculty, and lastly, to part-time continuing and temporary. FDC is proposing to prioritize junior tenure-track applicants, and give second priority to tenured, full-time NTT and full-time, multi-year temporary faculty, deciding cases on the basis of previous awards. Those who have not received awards recently will be favored over those who received many awards in the past. These changes will need to be approved by the Dean, but not the faculty.

Finally...

The FDC wishes to thank Janet Casey and Mary Hoehn for their excellent contributions and for helping us understand the larger context of research funds. We especially are indebted to Debbie Peterson, whose careful organization and attention to detail make our work possible.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer Delton". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name and last name clearly legible.

Jennifer Delton, FDC Chair, Spring 2020

2019-2020 Faculty Development Grants and Awards

Distinguished Faculty Service Award

Oles, Pat

Associate Professor, Social Work

Edwin M. Moseley Faculty Lectureship

Mintz, Susannah

Professor, English

Faculty Development Grants

Fall, 2019

Benzon, Paul

Assistant Professor, English

Archival Fictions: Materiality, Form, and Media History in Contemporary Literature

Cermatori, Joseph

Assistant Professor, English

New York Theater and Drama 2020 - performnce research into the contemporary schene

Chung, Sonya

Writer-in-Residence, English

Artist Residency (Escape to Create)

DiPasquale, Sarah

Assistant Professor, Dance

Dance to Success-BROMP Certification

Donovan, Mary Kate

Assistant Professor, WLL

TRECE Collaborative Research Project

Ennis-McMillan, Michael

Associate Professor, Anthropology

SIT Faculty Seminar Abroad on Hip-hop, Politics, and Religion in Senegal

Goff, Sandra

Assistant Professor, Economics

Guilt and the Demand for Monastic Goods

Hurst, Heather

Associate Professor, Anthropology
The Tikal Ball Player Murals

Jaouad, Hedi
Professor, World Languages and Literatures
Biography of Halima Ezzaeema

Lagalwar, Sarah
Associate Professor, Neuroscience
Is the MICOS complex responsible for the mitochondrial dysfunction we see in SCA1 cell models?

Lewis, William
Professor, Philosophy
A Social Palace and the Equivalents of Wealth documentary film project

Li, Chaoping
Assistant Professor, Management and Business
The Effectiveness of Tournament Incentive on Performance

Mack, Evan
Senior Teaching Professor, Music
Album Release of Music

Nechtman, Tillman
Professor, History
Fathoms Below: A Brief History of The World's Oceans

Ness, Josh
Associate Professor, Biology
Linking plant immigration to human economics in island systems

O'Brien, Mary-Beth
Professor, WLL
Contemporary German Cinema

Ohlberg, Jason
Assistant Professor, Dance
Seattle Choreographic Collaboration

ParkeHarrison, Robert
Professor, Art
Entr'acte

Scarce, Rik
Professor, Sociology
Undoing a Dam

Schebetta, Dennis

Assistant Professor, Theater

Travel for Book Co-Authorship of Building a Performance

Schneider, Rodrigo

Assistant Professor, Economics

Does Legal Change Induce Behavioral Change in Domestic Violence Against Women?

Shankar, Mahesh

Associate Professor, International Affairs

The Quest for Status in International Politics: The Case of India

Tamagawa, Masami

Senior Teaching Professor, WLL

National LGBT Survey Japan

Towne, Mary Ellen

Director of Early Childhood Center and Lecturer, Education Studies

Playful Pedagogy: The Status of Place-based Learning in New York State Children's Museums - continued

Emeritus Faculty Development Grants
Fall 2019

Thompson, Gordon

Music

2019 Annual Meeting Society for Ethnomusicology

Stange, Mary

Religion

Artemis, Women's Hunting & the Quest for Sustainability

Faculty Research Initiative Grants

Baustian, Kathryn

Teaching Professor, Anthropology

Kinship and Interaction in the Prehistoric Mimbres Region: An Exploration of Skeletal and Cultural Indicators

Casto, Hope

Associate Professor, Education Studies

Understanding Rural Community Vitality: International Comparative Case Studies of School-Community Connections

Day-O'Connell, Sarah

Associate Professor, Music

Beethoven at 250: Perspectives from Bonn, Vienna, and Berlin

D'Evelyn, Charlotte

Assistant Professor, Music

Discourses of Musical Heritage and Transmission in Inner Mongolia, China

Micieli-Voutsinas, Jacque

Visiting Assistant Professor, American Studies

Never Again: Measuring Emotional Learning at the USHMM

Faculty Student Summer Research Program

Ball, K. Aurelia

Assistant Professor, Chemistry

HIV Vif interactions with human proteins

Bettigole, Charlie

Director of GIS Center, Library

Free Flowing

Biberman, Yelena

Assistant Professor, Political Science

US-Taliban Relations in Four Acts

Chen, Mao

Professor, World Languages and Literatures

Writing in Diaspora: Identity, Writing and Language in Chinese Immigrant Literature

Covey, Kristofer

Visiting Assistant Professor, Environmental Studies and Sciences

Mapping Ecosystem Dynamics on Dome Island, Lake George

Domozych, David

Professor, Biology

Cell expansion dynamics and its role in the evolution of land plants

Dym, Jordana

Professor, History

Decolonizing Latin American/Public History

Frederick, Kimberley

Professor, Chemistry

Determination of soil nutrients with 3D printed microfluidic chips

Goff, Sandra

Assistant Professor, Economics

Sucker Aversion and Prosocial Behavior

Graney, Kate**Taylor, Natalie**

Professor / Associate Professor, Political Science

Never Done: 100 years of Skidmore Women and Politics

Ives, Stephen

Associate Professor, Health and Human Physiological Sciences

The Effects of Oral Capsaicin on Cardiovascular Health in Women and Aged Individuals

Johnson, Rebecca

Professor, Psychology

Children's Inferences about Occupational Stereotypes during Sentence Reading

Kennerly, William

Senior Teaching Professor, Chemistry

Quantum chemistry of tryptophan fluorescence

Kennerly, William

Senior Teaching Professor, Chemistry

Graph theory of Huckel molecular orbitals via Mathematica

Lepkowska-White, Elzbieta

Professor, Management & Business

Farmers Market in Saratoga Springs: A Case Study

McDevitt, Sylvia

Associate Professor, Biology

Bacterial Copper Resistance

Melekis, Kelly

Associate Professor, Social Work

Collaborative Poverty Reduction Initiatives: Evaluating Outcomes and Impact

Navea, Juan

Associate Professor, Chemistry

Plasma chemistry study for the oxidation of chemisorbed organic compounds

Navea, Juan

Associate Professor, Chemistry

Plasma chemistry and photochemistry to investigate organic matter in the marine boundary layer

Ocakli, Feryaz

Associate Professor, Political Science

Contesting Ownership: Critical Approaches to Property Rights and Economic Development

Paul, June

Assistant Professor, Social Work

Perceptions and Experiences of Health and Wellbeing Among Transgender and Nonbinary Former Foster Youth of Color

Prasad, Aarathi

Assistant Professor, Computer Science

User study to determine effectiveness of app usage tool

Prasad, Pushkala

Professor, Management & Business

Carried and Delivered: Global Commercial Surrogacy Motherhood as Outsourced and Precarious Work

Reilly, Christine

Assistant Professor, Computer Science

Parallel Traversal of Graphs Stored in Relational Databases

Reilly, Christine

Assistant Professor, Computer Science

A Comparison of Relational and Graph Databases for a Business Application

Smith, Denise

Professor, Health and Human Physiological Sciences

Cardiovascular Disease in Fire Service

Sweeney, Sarah

Associate Professor, Art

Damnatio Memoriae animation

Tinkle, Adam

Assistant Professor, MDOCS

Documentary Collaboration on Free Flowing

Wachter, Jeremy

Visiting Assistant Professor, Physics

Computational modeling of fuzzy black holes

Zuerner, Adrienne

Associate Professor, World Languages and Literatures

Transcription of 1712-1714 shipping log