

FROM THE DEAN

► Welcome to the new fall 2018-19 school year and our bi-annual issue of the SASB newsletter. We hope you will continue to share information with us that we can post here. There is quite a bit happening at Chatham and in SASB. In this newsletter, you will find the new faculty who are joining us this year, a list of our first annual SASB Faculty and Staff Award Winners, news of our summer research faculty and students that was begun with a grant, as well as information on what faculty, staff, students, and alumni have been doing. I look forward to sharing more about new plans related to our new Honors Program, Student Success program, and the emergence of our immersive media program, as well as efforts by Dr. Stephanie Rosenthal to engage our students using robots!

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School of Arts, Science, & Business Annual Awards

SASB conferred its first annual Student, Faculty, and Staff Awards at the Student Leadership and Organization Awards Dinner on April 19. Students were nominated for the honor by their department faculty; staff and faculty were nominated by their colleagues.

Undergraduate

Maya Carey '18
Morgan McCleary '20
Sabreen Megherhi '17
Marion Morton '18
Amanda Morus '18
Anh Nguyen '19
Ekaterina Sheftel '18
Aubrey Shombert '18
Morgan Stamm '18

Graduate

Erin Boudreaux, MComm '19
Zachary Cerrone, MAT '18
Emel Guner Ekin, MIA '19
Elia Hohausen-Thatcher, MFACW '18
Joseph Holland, MEd '19
Thomas Holmes, MFAFDT '18
Sarah Huth, MAID '18
Kelsey Moran, MPW '20
Benjamin Kotys MBA '18
Jonathan Phoenix, MAcc '18
Sabina Spigner, MSBio '18

SASB Staff Service Award

Ginger Polozoff, business &
entrepreneurship

SASB Faculty Scholarship & Research Achievement Award

Monica Riordan, psychology

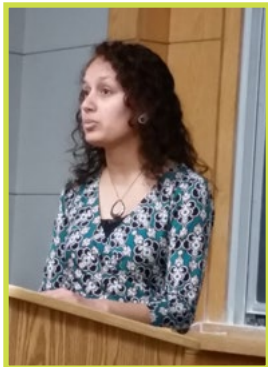
SASB Faculty Teaching Recognition Award

► Nichole Bayliss, psychology &
social work



School of Arts, Science & Business NEWS

► The First Annual Science Student Research Day was held in the Chatham Science Complex on April 20, 2018 (last day of classes). It was organized by a committee headed by **John Dubé**, along with **Michael Collyer** and **Michelle Doyle**. The keynote address was delivered **Sowmya Narayanan '10, MD, Ph.D.**, and a panel discussion on careers in green chemistry was led by **Derrick Ward, MSGC '16**. **Ekaterina Sheftel '18** won Best Poster (undergraduate) while **Sabina Spigner, MSBio '18** won Best Presentation.



(Clockwise from top)
Keynote speaker Sowmya Narayanan '10 • Theepica Jeyarajah, MSBio '19, Professor Michael Collyer, Sowmya Narayanan, and Professor Lisa Lambert • Professor John Dube and Sabina Spigner, MSBio '18 • Ekaterina Sheftel '18 and Professor Dube



Professor Debbie DeLong, Joziah Council '20, Mackayla Smirga '18, with Steven Sarfin and Danin Greusel from MedExpress.

► Chatham hosted the 5th Pittsburgh AMA (American Marketing Association) Marketing Strategy Case Competition in April, welcoming teams from nine regional schools who all produced reports, papers, and presentations related to healthcare marketing. Two Chatham teams competed, finishing in 5th (Michelle Jones '19, Morgan Stamm '18, and Kelly O'Donnell '18) and 2nd place (Mackayla Smirga '18 and Joziah Council '20). Chatham marketing professor Debbie DeLong oversaw the event.

► The Foundations of Business course drew in several local entrepreneurs to share their expertise with students this spring. Cassandra Pan and William Mooney (both formerly of Fenner-Dunlop Americas) visited on April 16 to discuss leadership in a publicly traded company. Dr. Louis Luangkesorn (of University of Pittsburgh) and Dr. Yuan Li (of Armada Supply Chain Solutions) talked about utilizing analytics and operations techniques in non-profit organizations.



► The Sustainability in Action course also hosted a number of individuals from Sustainable Pittsburgh, The Pennsylvania Resource Council and ZeroFossil.

Student ACCOMPLISHMENTS

SUMMER INTERNSHIPS

- ▶ **Daniela Beck '21** is working in IT infrastructure at the Wabtec Corporation
- ▶ **Anh Nguyen '19** is working with **Stephanie Rosenthal** and **Rachel Chung** on a research study in artificial intelligence funded by the National Security Agency. She is also working with Business & Entrepreneurship's Rachel Chung and Pitt's Louis Luangkosorn on an INFORMS Pro Bono Analytics project for Houston Methodist Hospital.
- ▶ **Delaney Gordon '20, Shelby Huebner '18, Sophie Jordan '19, Sophie Kerensky, '19, Tristan Liller '19, and Hunter Payne '20** spent the summer assisting **Nichole Bayliss '03** with data analysis of threat perception, needs violations, and solution identification for Bayliss's study on "American Difference, Frustration, and Aggression." The students were funded by an undergraduate research grant.



- ▶ The department of Business & Entrepreneurship has initiated a chapter of the Sigma Beta Delta honors society at Chatham. During the group's first meeting on April 18, these individuals were inducted:
 - Undergraduate: **Bryan Crawford '18; Dana English '18; Anna Ferri '18; Natalie Ranft '19; Emily Simons '18; MacKayla Smirga '18; Aiyanna Washington '18; Jeremy Witchel '19**
 - Graduate: **Ariel Haughton, MAcc '19; Rachel Kolar, MAcc '19; Benjamin Kotys, MBA '18; Jennifer Lennon, MBA '18; Sophie Slesinger, MAFS+MBA '18; Sarah Valore, MBA '18; Jared Wyda, MAcc '18**
 - Honorary: **Rebecca Harris**, executive director, Center for Women's Entrepreneurship at Chatham; **Stephanie Novosel '90**, Head of Commercial Banking, PNC Bank

- ▶ The School of Arts, Science, & Business coordinated with the Fox Chapel branch of the AAUW (American Association of University Women) to offer the STEM Career Launching Grant to three women graduating in STEM fields, **Jennifer Kovach '18, McKenzie Grundy '17, and Saron Belay '17.**



Maryann Seward (Fox Chapel branch of AAUW), Dr. Darlene Motley, Jennifer Kovach '18, McKenzie Grundy '17, Saron Belay '17, Elaine Herald (Fox chapel branch of AAUW), and Dr. Jeff Bukowski



- ▶ **Courtney Noal ('18)**, president of the Chatham Marketing Association, won first place in the 2018 AMA Social Impact Scholarship competition. She will receive a \$3,000 tuition scholarship to recognize her creative arts management and marketing achievements.

FACULTY AWARDS, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, PUBLICATIONS, AND MORE

GRANTS

Chatham University was recently awarded a DEAL grant that enabled three faculty members, **Nichole Bayliss**, **Michael Collyer**, and **John Dubé**, to conduct research with our own Chatham students during the summer. The award allowed us to pay students a small stipend to work on research with faculty, and provided room and board if the students were in need of this. While the grant is limited, it will be open to all faculty for next summer and all are encouraged to apply.

Chatham University has been awarded a \$4,000 grant from the Interfaith Youth Core to foster interfaith dialogue, cooperation and inclusivity on campus. This grant will provide funding for various interfaith events (including Chatham's Multi-Faith Series and a tour of religious organizations around Pittsburgh), staff and student training on religious and nonreligious identities and to help to incorporate religious diversity themes into Chatham's Global Focus Program.

Ethan Block began work as co-investigator on a five year grant from the National Institute on Drug Abuse studying the cell biology and regulation of signaling by the neurotransmitter dopamine.

Michael Collyer has been working on National Science Foundation (NSF) funded research to study the evolution of sexual dimorphism in North American desert pupfishes. Over the summer, research efforts included

photographing and digitizing rare specimens from historic museum collections (some over a century old) to collect body shape data for many species. Collyer is being assisted by students Ericka Gibson '20, Victoria Turnbull, MSBio '20, Calvin Feagins '19, and Curtis Szewczyk '19.

Kevin Hatala, funded by a grant from the Leakey Foundation, will be conducting a paleoecological investigation of ancient footprints in Kenya.

Professor Hatala also received a 3-year grant from the National Science Foundation for a project titled 'X-rays, 3D animation and the evolution of human locomotion'. The project is a collaboration with researchers at Brown University to develop and apply new X-ray imaging, 3D animation, and computer simulation methods to study how human feet function while walking on deformable surfaces. With these new data and methods, the team aims to reconstruct foot anatomy and motion patterns from fossil human footprints, in order to test major hypotheses concerning the evolution of human locomotion. Results will also be translated into pedagogical materials focused on the intersection of science and visual art, and the public will be engaged through museum and media outreach.

The **Masters of Fine Arts in Creative Writing** program received funding from the Opportunity Fund to continue their Maenad Fellowship program for a second year in fall 2018. The program grants financial assistance to women in recovery from substance abuse who want to study writing at Chatham. Two of last year's participants enrolled in the MFACW program for this coming year.

HONORS

In March, **Dana Brown** (Pennsylvania Center for Women and Politics at Chatham University) was one of 25 Pennsylvania women honored for "remarkable work in politics, healthcare, education, nonprofits and beyond" at City & State PA's Above & Beyond Awards. Brown also received the American Association of University Women's Pennsylvania Chapter's Gateway to Equity Award this spring.

Debbie DeLong three-peated as Student Organization Advisor of the Year (for the Chatham Marketing Association) at the Student Leadership & Organization awards dinner on April 19.

Interior architecture faculty member **Greg Galford** graduated with his Ph.D. from the University of Missouri in May. His dissertation, which he defended in February, was singled out by the institution to receive the King Student Medal for "innovation, integrity, and scholarship in architectural and/or environmental design research." The King Student Medal is awarded nationally by the Architectural Research Centers Consortium. Congratulations, Dr. Galford!

Christie Lewis, professional development and field placement coordinator in the Education department, recently completed her Ed.D. at Point Park University. Her dissertation topic was *The Lived Educational Experiences of Multiracial College Graduates That Grew Up in Poverty*. Congratulations, Dr. Lewis!

Kristen Shaeffer's film short, *349*, went online as a Vimeo Staff Pick in May and has been viewed nearly 50,000 times.



*Victoria Turnbull, MSBio '20
and Ericka Gibson '20*

Faculty news *continued*

RETIREMENTS

We saw two of our linchpin faculty members retire this May.

Larry Viehland (Chemistry) has been with Chatham since 1999, and spent a large portion of that time as Chair of the Science department. He helped develop the Master of Science in Green Chemistry program. Prior to joining Chatham, he spent 22 years at Saint Louis University.

Deborah Rubin (Social Work) also joined Chatham as a faculty member in 1999, after having assisted the Office of Academic Affairs in developing the Bachelor of Social Work degree program. She retires as Chair of the Social Sciences department. Prior to joining Chatham, she was in social work practice for nearly 20 years. She is also an alumna of Chatham, having earned a Bachelor of Sociology from Chatham College in 1972.

PUBLICATIONS

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The poetry collection *The Small Door of Your Death* (Autumn House, 2018) by MFA program director **Sheryl St. Germain** was released in March.

Welcome New Faculty!

- ▶ **Douglas North Cook**, immersive media & interior architecture
 - Owner and Creative Director, Decoder Design & Decoder VR (Pittsburgh, PA)
 - BA, Moody Bible Institute (Chicago, IL)
 - MA, Trinity School for Ministry (Ambridge, PA)
- ▶ **William Pfalzgraff**, chemistry
 - Ph.D., Stanford University (Stanford, CA)
- ▶ **Marcus Poindexter**, social work
 - MSW, MPH, Ph.D. (ABD), University of Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh, PA)
- ▶ **James Rainbolt**, chemistry
 - Ph.D., University of New Hampshire (Durham, NH)
- ▶ **Sandra Taylor**, sustainable business
 - President and CEO, Sustainable Business International LLC (Washington, DC)
 - JD, Boston University School of Law (Boston, MA)
 - MBA, Bordeaux École de Management (Bordeaux, France)

Jennie-Sweet Cushman published a chapter (“FMLA in Pennsylvania: Analysis of Family and Medical Leave Policy in the State”) in the new textbook *Pennsylvania Politics and Policy: A Commonwealth Reader* (Temple University Press, 2018).

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OTHER NEWS

Rachel Chung acted as Grand Awards Judge at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair, held in Pittsburgh this year from May 13-18. This contest for high school students offers thousands of dollars' worth of cash awards, scholarships, internships, equipment, and travel. She also chaired a session at the 2018 Pacific Asia Conference for Information Systems in Yokohama, Japan in June.



Dr. Chung also participated in a panel on “Professionalism, Promotion, and Power,” a Women in Law Division event sponsored by the Allegheny County Bar Association. She was joined by Doris Williams, President and CEO of the African American Chamber of Commerce of Western PA and Angelica Ocampo, the President & CEO of the World Affairs Council in Pittsburgh.



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Today's Classrooms Reimagined

“These Kids Are Out of Control” Why We Must Reimagine “Classroom Management” for Equity

H. Richard Miller IV, Heather B. Cunningham, Lori Duda-D’Amico, and Edith Gold Wasserberg
If you’re looking for a book on how to “control” your students, this isn’t it. Instead, this is a book on what classroom learning *could be* if we agree to create more culturally responsive and equitable environments—environments that are safe, affirming, learner-centered, intellectually challenging, and engaging. It’s one of the kind of places where our students *want* to be.

A critically important resource for teachers and administrators alike, “*These Kids Are Out of Control*” details the specific practices, tools, beliefs, dispositions, and mindsets that are essential to better serving the complex needs of our diverse learners, especially marginalized students. Don’t expect magic, but:

- What it means to be culturally responsive in today’s classroom environments, even at school at large
- How to decide what to teach, understand the curriculum, build relationships in and outside of school, and assess student development and learning
- The four best practices for building a classroom culture that is both nurturing and rigorous, and where all students are seen, heard, and respected
- Alternatives to punitive disciplinary action that too often sustain the cradle-to-prison pipeline

Classroom “management” takes care of itself when you engage students, help them see into and alignment of the curriculum to their lives, build on and from student identity and culture, and recognize the many ways marginalized practices can fail. “*These Kids Are Out of Control*” is your opportunity to get started right now.

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Heather Cunningham co-edited a textbook that will be appearing in the fall: “*These Kids Are Out Of Control*”: *Why We Must Reimagine ‘Classroom Management’ for Equity* (Corwin, 2018).

Mark Nieson will spend his fall 2018 sabbatical on an island off the coast of Georgia doing research for his novel-in-progress, *Houdini’s Heirs*.

Jim Pierson has submitted a Resolution and Report to the American Bar Association (ABA) to set policy related to auto loans and sales practices. The ABA Board of Governors will consider the report at the next annual meeting. On May 9, he also shared tax guidance at a Senior Justice and Wellness Expo sponsored by Allegheny County District Attorney Stephen Zappala, Jr.

Professor Pierson will also oversee Chatham’s 2018-2019 Global Focus program. This year’s nation of study is Ireland.

Elisabeth Roark has stepped into the role of editor for *Markers: The Journal of the Association for Gravestone Studies*. Her first volume as editor, *Markers XXXIV*, came out in May.

Christine Sarteschi lent her expertise to A&E TV’s Real Crime blog on the topic “Who is the ‘worst’ serial killer? Crime experts weigh in.”

Alumni NEWS

- ▶ **Meghan Scanlon ’16** is enrolled in the MA in Museum Education program at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia. She previously completed two prestigious internships at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston and at the Peggy Guggenheim Museum in Venice, Italy.
- ▶ **Raven Elder ’18** has taken a job in development with Carnegie Museums here in Pittsburgh.
- ▶ Alumni from the creative writing program have been enjoying a publishing boom this spring.
 - **Karen Zhang, MFACW ’11**’s memoir *Golden Orchid: The True Story of an Only Child in Contemporary China* came out in April of this year
 - **Ben Gwin, MFACW ’11** published the novel *Clean Time: The True Story of Ronald Reagan Middleton* in May
 - **Christine Stroud, MFACW ’13** and **Deborah Fass, MFACW ’14** each authored a poetry chapbook (*Sister Suite* for Stroud, and *Where the Current Catches* for Fass)
 - **Amanda K. (Jaros) Champion, MFACW ’16**’s original essay “Blood Mountain” won a contest in creative non-fiction from the online journal *Flyway*
 - **Stephanie Vega, MFACW ’18**’s short story, “We Keep Them Anyway,” originally published in *The Threepenny Review*, has been chosen for the 2018 O. Henry Prize compilation.