Welcome

NEW BSU FACULTY AND LIBRARIANS 2016-2017

Angela Bailey
DEPARTMENT OF MOVEMENT ARTS,
HEALTH PROMOTION AND LEISURE STUDIES

Angela Bailey received her PhD from Virginia Tech in Human Nutrition, Food and Exercise with a focus on community behavior. Dr. Bailey will work in the Department of Movement Arts, Health Promotion and Leisure Studies teaching Principles and Practices of Health Education/Health Promotion (HEAL 200), Epidemiology (HEAL 385) and Program Planning in Health Promotion (HEAL 451). Her research and scholarship interest include nutrition and physical activity interventions targeting at-risk populations and health literacy. Dr. Bailey published an article in Health Education Research this year and was the recipient of the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture Graduate Teaching and Leadership Award in 2015. She enjoys spending time with her family, cooking, biking and hiking.

Spencer Aston
DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

Spencer Aston received his doctorate of musical arts from Boston University. This fall he will teach Performance Study – Trumpet Lessons (MUSC 121), American Popular Music (MUSC 168), Music Fundamentals (MUSC 170) and Introduction to Western Classical Music (MUSC 260). He will also be the Director of the BSU Athletic Band that you will see at various football and basketball games this season. Dr. Ashton has performed all over the world as a trumpet player and conductor and especially enjoys performing in the genre of American Modern music. His Lecture Recital topic was titled “Polyphonic Music for One” and focused on various composer’s use of extended techniques within their works to create polyphonic textures with a single player. In addition to his musical studies, Dr. Ashton is an avid runner and a USATF certified running coach.
Katherine Bender  
DEPARTMENT OF COUNSELOR EDUCATION

Katherine (Kate) Bender received her doctorate in counseling, counselor education and supervision from Old Dominion University and joins the Department of Counselor Education this fall. She will teach Career Counseling (CNGC 539), Psychological Assessment (CNMH 532) and Counseling Theories (CNMH 528). Her research areas of interest include mental health in higher education, suicide prevention, mental health in the legal profession, wellness and self-care, and counseling supervision. She enjoys spending time on the beach, watching college basketball, face-timing with her nieces, and competing in running races which encourage the use of tutus or costumes.

Paula Bishop  
DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

Paula Bishop received her doctorate in musicology from Boston University in 2011, and will join the Department of Music to teach Folk Music of the U.S. (MUSC 199), Native American Music (MUSC 299), Class Piano (MUSC 140) and Music Fundamentals (MUSC 170). Her research focuses on American popular music in the twentieth century. Her dissertation focused on the confluence of styles in the Everly Brothers, an early rock ’n’ roll duo. Her research has expanded to consider the role of film, television and other media in popular music. She teaches yoga, enjoys playing the ukulele, and gets outdoors as much as possible.
Margaret Boyd
SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

Margaret Boyd received her MSW from Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Canada, and her PhD in Sociology & Social Work from Boston University. She is pleased to join the faculty full-time in the School of Social Work. She will teach Diversity & Oppression (SCWK 270), Social Welfare Policy (SCWK 350) and Practice with Communities (SCWK 432). Her research and scholarship areas of interest include early childhood education, race and racism, urban communities and community-based research. She is involved in a large international and interdisciplinary research project investigating the work and well-being of the early childhood education & care workforce. She enjoys reading, running, travel and working on her small hobby farm.

Hyeman Choi
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

Hyeman Choi joins us this year in the Department of Psychology. He received his PhD in Experimental Social Psychology from Ohio University and his master’s and bachelor’s degrees in Psychology from Sungkyunkwan University in South Korea. He will teach Statistics for Psychology (PSYC 201) and Social Psychology (PSYC 310) this fall. His research focuses on how counterfactual thinking (i.e., thoughts of what might have been) and emotions (e.g., regret, shame and guilt) influence people’s understandings about themselves, others and the social world. He enjoys spending time with family and playing the classical guitar.
Benjamin Coté  
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

Benjamin (Ben) Coté received his doctorate in mathematics from the University of California Santa Barbara and will be joining the Department of Mathematics. This fall he will teach Precalculus with Trigonometry (MATH 150). His dissertation research involved a branch of mathematics called geometric group theory, which seeks to understand algebraic structures by understanding how they act on geometric structures. The visual nature of the subject is what captivated his interest. He is also interested in math pedagogy and inquiry-based learning approaches for the teaching of mathematics. In his spare time he enjoys the outdoors, gardening, plant-based cooking and fermentation.

Teressa Del Rosso  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION

Teressa (Teri) Del Rosso received her doctorate from the School of Journalism and Communication at the University of Oregon in 2016. She joins the Department of Communication and will teach classes in the strategic communication track, such as Introduction to Public Relations (COMM 226), Strategic Writing (COMM 312) and Campaigns (COMM 392). Her dissertation explored how adopting a reproductive justice framework can help sexual health professionals practice intersectionality in their day-to-day communication strategies. In addition Dr. Del Rosso’s research and teaching interests also include the intersection of sports and advocacy. Outside of the classroom, you can find Dr. Del Rosso cheering for her Green Bay Packers, attempting to lift as much weight as she can, and cuddling with her border collie mix, Otto.
Alexandra Dema
DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

Alexandra Dema received her doctorate in curriculum and instruction with an emphasis in Teaching English as a Second Language from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. This fall, she joins the Department of Special Education. She will teach TESOL Educational Research (TESL 560), Sheltered English Immersion Endorsement Course (SPED 508) and Cultural Diversity (SPED 203), as well as supervise student teachers. Her research agenda includes academic language development for K-12 English language learners as well as second language and identity development from Vygotsky’s sociocultural perspectives. In her spare time, she enjoys traveling, hiking, exercising in the gym and swimming.

Karen Duseau
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

Karen Duseau joins us this year as an instructor in the Department of Mathematics. Ms. Duseau earned her undergraduate degree in mathematics and physics, right here at Bridgewater State University (then college) and her master’s degree in applied mathematics at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, NY. She is currently working on her doctorate in mathematics education at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth. This fall, she will teach Mathematical Thought and Practice (MATH 105) and Elements of Calculus I (MATH 141). Her work experience has included work as an engineer at Raytheon in Naval and Maritime Systems as well as teaching mathematics at Weymouth High School, Quincy College, and here at BSU as an adjunct. In her free time, Ms. Duseau enjoys traveling with her husband and two children.
Jeanne Ingle
DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Jeanne Carey Ingle earned her doctorate in education from the University of Connecticut. Prior to arriving at BSU, she taught in the Norwich public schools in Connecticut as a classroom teacher and instructional coach. She also taught at Eastern Connecticut State University. She joins the Department of Elementary and Early Childhood Education and will teach Child Study (ELED 120), Introduction to Elementary Education (ELED 220) and will supervise student teachers this fall. Her research interests are technology integration in K–12 classrooms, teacher adoption of technology, and challenging high-performing students in low-income schools. She has presented at numerous national and international conferences and has published her work on technology integration in the classroom. In her leisure time, she loves spending time with her family, watching her beloved Red Sox, and traveling anywhere and everywhere.

Stephanie Jacobsen
DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT

Stephanie Jacobsen is expected to receive her doctorate in marketing later this fall from the University of Rhode Island and joins the Department of Management. This fall, she will teach Marketing Principles (MGMT 200) and Marketing Research (MGMT 420). She has numerous peer-reviewed publications on topics including social media, word of mouth communications and millennials. Her hobbies include traveling, cooking, teaching aerobics, and spending time with family and friends.
Ashley Kilmer  
DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE  

Ashley Kilmer received her doctorate in criminology from the University of Delaware and joins the Department of Criminal Justice this fall. She will teach Crime Theory (CRJU 202) and Corrections (CRJU 354). Her research interests include the impact of criminal justice policies and practices on the lives of those involved in the criminal justice system. Her recent dissertation research examined the daily lived experiences of men and women recently released from prison. In her free time, she enjoys bird watching, video games, and touring historical sites and museums.

Inkyoung Kim  
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE  

Inkyoung Kim joins the Department of Political Science as an assistant professor. She received her doctorate in political science at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Before coming to BSU, she taught at Clark University and Reed College. She will teach Comparative Government (POLI 275), Politics in the Developing World (POLI 488) and Global Environmental Politics (POLI 475) this fall. Her research interests include regional environmental cooperation, transboundary pollution, regionalism, government and politics in East Asia, and sustainable consumption patterns. She is a contributor to journals such as *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific* and *International Environmental Agreements: Politics, Law and Economics*. She loves playing tennis and the piano.
Enping Li  
DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

Enping Li received her doctorate in electrical engineering from State University of New York at Binghamton in 2012. She joins the Department of Computer Science and will teach Computer Science I (COMP 151) and Multimedia Forensics (COMP 399 and COMP 596). Her research and scholarship interests include information security, digital forensics and mobile application development. She enjoys playing table tennis, swimming and traveling.

Joseph Martin  
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

Joseph (Joe) Martin is an alumnus having received his bachelor’s and MAT degrees in mathematics and his certificate of advanced graduate study in school administration from BSU. He now joins his home Department of Mathematics this fall to teach Elements of Precalculus (MATH 140), Discrete Mathematics (MATH 130) and Mathematical Thought and Practice (MATH 105). His work experience includes a 35-year career in a variety of teaching and leadership roles in Taunton public schools until his retirement in 2006, all the while teaching at BSU as a part-time faculty member. In his spare time, he enjoys attending the New England Patriots football games, traveling and spending time with his wife and five grandchildren.
April Megginson
DEPARTMENT OF COUNSELOR EDUCATION

April Megginson received her doctorate at the University of Wyoming. As a member of the Department of Counselor Education, she will teach Counseling Theories and Techniques for School Counselors (CNSC 528), Consultation and Collaboration for School Counselors (CNSC 526) and Practicum: School Counselors (CNSC 571/581). Her research and scholarship areas of interest include assisting school counselors in implementing a comprehensive data-driven school counseling program that advocates for and meets the unique needs of special populations, as well as utilizing play therapy and expressive arts therapy in schools. She would love to spend more time reading and scrapbooking.

Carolyn Mires
DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

Carolyn Mires, assistant professor in the Department of Special Education, received her doctorate from Pennsylvania State University in 2015. This fall she will teach Behavior Management (SPED 302), Assessment of Special Needs Learners (SPED 303) and Meeting the Needs of All Learners (SPED 217). She has expertise in emotional and behavioral disorders and is studying home-school relationships between foster parents and special education teachers in the high school setting. She loves spending time with family and walking her dogs.
John Pike
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

John Pike received his doctorate in applied mathematics from the University of Southern California in 2013. After spending three years as a postdoc at Cornell, he will join the Department of Mathematics at Bridgewater State University. In the fall semester, he will teach Elementary Statistics I (MATH 110) and Advanced Topics in Statistics (MATH 398). His research is primarily focused on Markov chains defined on algebraic and combinatorial structures, and on distributional approximation using Stein’s method techniques. When he’s not doing math, Dr. Pike enjoys reading, hiking and exploring new places.

Na Sai
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

Na Sai received her doctorate in public policy at Georgia State University and Georgia Institute of Technology in 2016. She joins the Department of Political Science and will teach Introduction to American Government (POLI 172), Public Finance at both the undergraduate (POLI 390) and graduate levels (POLI 521). Her research is focused on organization theory, human resource management and education policy, especially on investigating and analyzing the work-related behaviors of public school employees. In her spare time, she enjoys playing badminton and planting flowers.
Thomas Schmidt
DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

Thomas (Tom) Schmidt joins the Department of Computer Science and will teach Data Structures and Algorithms (COMP 330) and Algorithms (COMP 435 and COMP 545). He earned his doctorate in computer science at Tulane University in 2002. An acolyte of Jane Jacobs, especially her insights in development and social order, his research focus is on the computational, organizational and societal implications of open-source computing, and design and systems thinking. He applies lessons from these areas in classroom teaching to graduate and undergraduate students. He enjoys programming, gardening, biking rail trails, carpentry, horticulture and plant propagation, and the asymptotic approach of teaching excellence.

Joseph Schwab
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

Joseph (Joe) Schwab received his doctorate in developmental psychology from Clark University in 2015 and joins the Department of Psychology. This fall he will teach Developmental Psychology (PSYC 227) and Research Methods (PSYC 320). His research focuses on the narrative construction of identity in adolescence and adulthood, aiming to better understand how people create meaning and purpose in their lives through the stories they tell. His favorite activities include reading literature, bicycling and playing kickball.
Sarah Soltau  
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICAL SCIENCES

Sarah Soltau obtained her doctorate from Boston University in 2014 and joins the Department of Chemical Sciences. She will teach Chemical Principles I (CHEM 141) and General Biochemistry Lab (CHEM 456) this fall. Her research interests include understanding the structure and function of metalloenzymes and engineering proteins to perform new chemistry with novel functions. In her free time, she has been involved in science outreach programs to high school students and recently was awarded the Pinnacle of Education Award at Argonne National Laboratory for her efforts. She also enjoys running and biking.

Emily Spitzman  
DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

Emily Spitzman received her doctorate from the University of Rhode Island. She joins the Department of Special Education and teaches in the MA in TESOL Program. This fall, she will teach Special Topics: Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Educational Research (TESL 560), Strategies for Diversity: Sheltered English Immersion Endorsement Course (SPED 508) and Cultural Diversity in School and Society (SPED 203). Her research focuses on intercultural communication, discourse analysis and power dynamics in interactions. She has also facilitated service-learning experiences and intercultural dialogue inside and outside the classroom. Her favorite activities include travel, language learning and outdoor activities with her husband and two boys.
Christopher Swart
DEPARTMENT OF MOVEMENT ARTS, HEALTH PROMOTION AND LEISURE STUDIES

Christopher (Chris) Swart joins the university as a faculty member after having received both bachelor’s and master’s degrees from BSU. This fall he will teach Physiology of Exercise (PHED 401), Physiology of Exercise Lab (PHED 401L) and Applied Nutrition for Sport and Exercise (PHED 384). He received his doctorate at Springfield College specializing in Exercise Physiology. His doctoral dissertation is titled “The Effects of Beta-Alanine and Sodium Bicarbonate Supplementation on Anaerobic Performance in Trained Males.” His hobbies include lifting weights, running and following Boston sports teams.

Wendy Champagnie Williams
SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

Wendy Williams received her doctorate in social work from Simmons College’s Graduate School of Social Work in 2015. This fall, she will teach Dynamics of Diversity and Oppression (SCWK 502), Social Work Practice I (SCWK 530) and Social Work Practice IV: Intergenerational Strengths-Based Practice with Individuals (SCWK 551). Her research and scholarship areas focus on resilient reintegration among formerly incarcerated Black men, and the impact of incarceration on children and families. In her spare time, Dr. Williams enjoys road trips and international travel with her husband, and spending time with family and friends.
Robert Wilson  
TECHNOLOGIES AND SYSTEMS LIBRARIAN  

Robert Wilson joins BSU’s Library Services as the Emerging Technologies and Systems Librarian. He earned his master’s degree in library and information science from Drexel University in 2015 with a concentration in digital libraries focusing on usability, information architecture and human computer interaction. He also attended Middle Tennessee State University and received a master’s degree in management information systems with a concentration in project management in 2011. He received the Online Computer Library Center’s Spotlight Award for design and implementation of a knowledge management system in 2014 and a Geographic Information System grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services in 2013. His hobbies include hiking, making and eating pizza, alternative process photography and printmaking, geography and road trips.

Hui Zhang  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION STUDIES  

Hui Zhang earned her doctorate in communication from Colorado State University and joins BSU this fall in the Department of Communication Studies. She will teach Introduction to Public Relations (COMM 225), Public Relations Case Studies (COMM 341) and Strategic Communication for Non-Profits (COMM 359). Her research interests include strategic communication, science/health/environment/risk communication, media effects, and research methods. In 2010, she was a Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant from China to the United States. She is a communication director in an environmental protection project funded by U.S. Department of State’s Alumni Engagement Innovation Fund 2016. Her favorite activities are swimming, diving, hiking and learning to cook.