

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

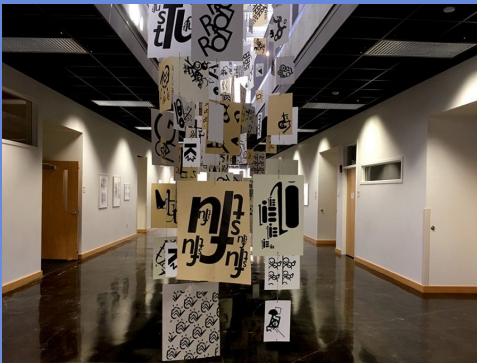


EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY™

Exciting *new*
developments
since you last
joined us!

Dr. Barbara Bonneken, Dean
Dr. Michael Cornebise, Associate Dean
Dr. Chris Mitchell, Associate Dean

SCHOOL OF THE ARTS



- Art + Design, Music, and Theatre
- Independent as department units but with dedicated governance structure allowing pathways for collaboration.
- Started the year with a fun School of the Arts Orientation for all new students.
- Planning a Chicago field trip in Feb.

ART + DESIGN



- Our new, endowed undergraduate student gallery space in DFAC 1910 is to be officially named the Glenn Hild Student Art Gallery this year. All renovations are complete, and we now have active use throughout the year for programming.
- Working to develop a transfer-friendly BA/BFA in Art Education to complement the existing BFA degree.
- Continuing success of our new Fashion Merchandising and Design program.

MUSIC



Kellie Clark, Director of
Choral Activities



Dr. Natasha Keating, Oboe
and Music Theory



Andrey Goncalves, bass

- The BA in Audio and Recording Technology and the new minor in Music Technology are gaining in popularity. New courses in Music Business and Sound Reinforcement are being offered for the first time!
- The department has partnered with the Theatre Department in the creation and launch of the new concentration in Musical Theatre.
- We are happy to work with any department to develop a 2+2 agreement!

THEATRE



SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION & JOURNALISM



Greg Cooper



Anna Kochnigina

- SC&J Welcomes Two New Faculty Members
 - Greg Cooper, Photojournalism
 - Anna Kochigina, Public Relations
- Added new drones for students to learn how to shoot/edit aerial video
- Public Relations degree was updated
 - A new capstone course focused on career preparation
 - Multiple new elective clusters to help students explore their areas of interest

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Elliott Ziemann, PhD
Parasitologist

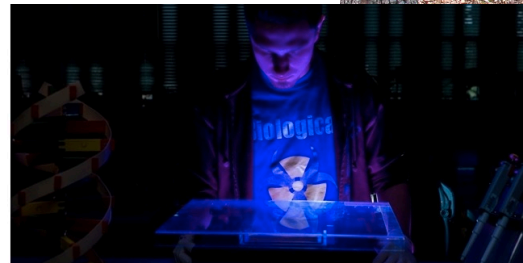


Sanghoon Kang, PhD
Microbiologist

- **16 research-active faculty with broad expertise**
2 new faculty over the past 3 years
 - **Career path options**
 - **Biological Sciences**
 - Zoology
 - Botany
 - Environmental Biology
 - Molecular Biology/Neurobiology
 - Microbiology
 - Pre-Health- Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Optometry, Chiropractic, Physical Therapy, Physician's Assistant
 - Teacher Certification
 - Clinical Laboratory Science
 - Undergraduate Research opportunities
 - 9 active student clubs



Sam Laingen
Pre-Health Professions Advisor



CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY

BS Degrees in

- Biochemistry
- Chemistry
- Chemistry Management
- Science with Teacher Licensure

B.A. in Chemistry

66 credits of chemistry (8 courses beyond gen & org chem)

Accelerated BS/MS and BA/MS (5-year program)

need to decide this no later than 2nd semester junior year

Minors

- Chemistry
 - 21 credit hours
 - 2-3 courses beyond gen & organic chem
- Biochemistry
 - 24 credit hours
 - 3 courses beyond gen & organic chem

Ability to pursue **pre-health option**, as well as **Departmental Honors**

BA allows for easier double-majoring



Very active research that involves undergrads
2 Registered Student Organizations (ACSSA, ASBMB)



Summer Chemistry offerings

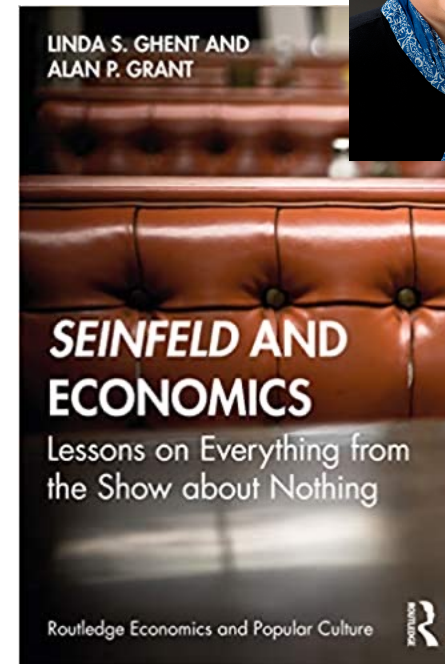
Gen Chem II and (anticipated) Gen Chem II lab
Organic I lecture
Biochem I lecture

ECONOMICS

- Faculty engaged in work to make Economics more accessible to students and the general public
- Vibrant culture of student research in the discipline; many of our students go on to prestigious grad programs in the field



George Anaman (EIU ECN MA, 2018), Tomiwa Shodipe (EIU ECN MA, 2018), and Allor Precious (EIU ECN MA, 2020)



ENGLISH

- New faculty members: Colleen Abel (creative writing and publishing) Niall Nance-Carroll (children's and young adult literature), Rachael Ryerson (composition and rhetoric), Shelly Spear (composition and technical writing)
- Last year, students in professional writing helped secure \$15,000 in grant funding for Douglas-Hart Nature Center
- Our first graduates of the accelerated BA/MA program will complete master's degrees this year in record time



Abel



Nance-Carroll



Ryerson

GEOLOGY AND GEOGRAPHY



- Working with Garrett High School (IN) to establish research project using their students to collect data related to climate change
- Purchased state of the art GPS collection unit to be incorporated into both classwork and research
- Revised Environmental Impact and Sustainability minor
- Degree programs in Geology, Human Geography, Environmental/Physical Geography, Accelerated Environmental Law (with NIU), Accelerated PSM – GIS, Science Teacher Certification

HISTORY



Dr. Alonzo Ward



- Revised BA in History with International Studies
 - 40 credit hours in major
 - Greater flexibility in interdisciplinary electives
- New Assistant Professor of African American History
- Public History Minor
 - 7 declared minors in first year of program
 - New internships at Douglas County History Museum and University Archives

MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE



- High school GPA and math courses completed now a math placement option.
- One Precalculus course as a prerequisite for Calculus I instead of two separate courses.
- Continued increases in computer science majors
- New minor coming – Computer Science for Teacher Licensure
- New and continued scholarships for qualifying transfer students



Dr. Marshall Lassak, Chair



WHAT'S NEW IN PHILOSOPHY AT EIU?

Options:

30-hour major

39-hour major*

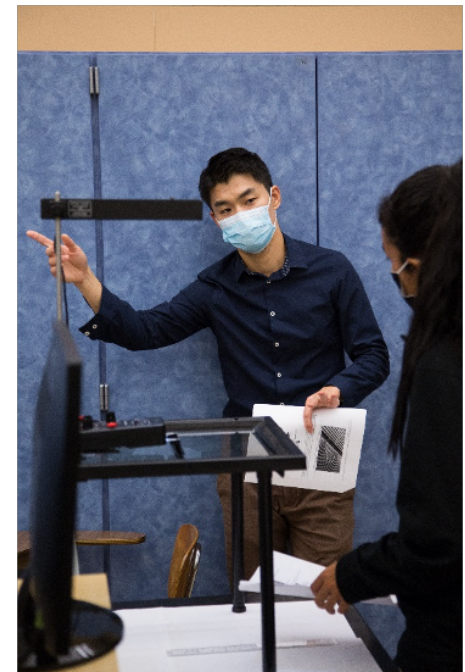
*24 hours in
philosophy

- *Competitive advantage*
- 2 courses more than a minor



PHYSICS & ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

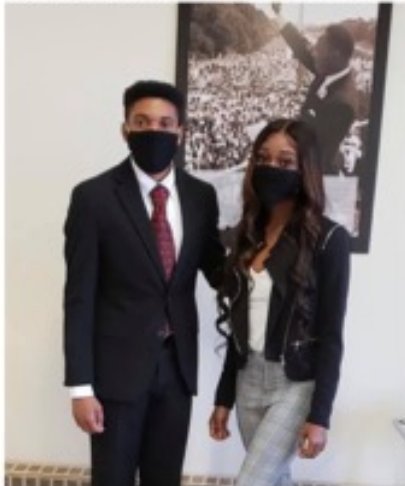
- New Electrical Engineering Program (2nd year)
 - Implementing 3 new courses this year alone
- Undergraduate Mentored Research Opportunities
 - Paid summer research positions available
 - 3 were funded in summer of 2021
- EIU Physics is spearheading the Academic Challenge for high school students across the state.
- In this era of COVID the Physics Department purchased and implemented many lab activities using the IOLab device that students could take home.



New Faculty: Dr. Dongheon Ha

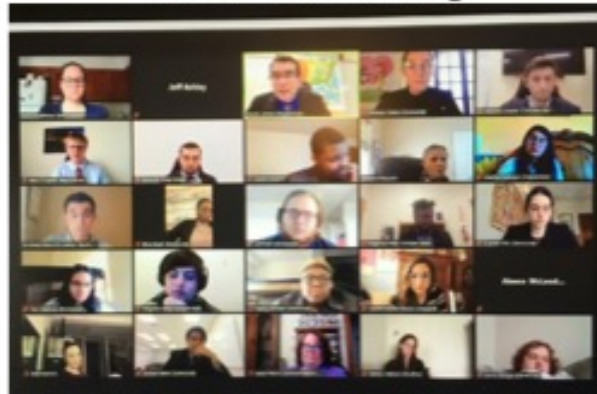
POLITICAL SCIENCE

Moot Court competitors



Students participate in both face-to-face and virtual research conferences, Moot Court competitions, and Model Illinois Government simulation.

Model Illinois Government Virtual Committee Meeting



New faculty:
Dr. Alexandria Wilson-McDonald

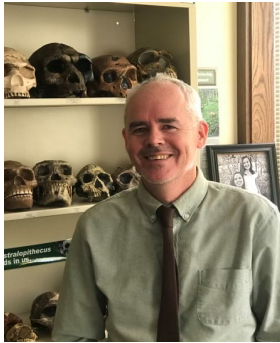
She teaches new courses on the Politics of Developing Nations and Gender & Global Politics.

PSYCHOLOGY

From Professor Jeff Stowell...



SOCIOLOGY, ANTHROPOLOGY, and CRIMINOLOGY



Dr. Don Holly



Dr. Jennifer Stevens



Dr. Angela Glaros

Despite the challenges of Covid-19, our department celebrated several accomplishments:

- We updated our Anthropology minor to reflect current course offerings and changes in the discipline. We also started exploring the possibility of offering the sociology minor online.
- Dr. Don Holly was the recipient of the EIU Distinguished Faculty Award which recognizes achievement in teaching/performance of primary duties, research/creative activity, and service.
- Newly tenured faculty, Dr. Jennifer Stevens, was the recipient of the CLAS Hanner Teaching Excellence Award.
- Dr. Angela Glaros received the Undergraduate Research Mentor Award for supervising the research of 8 students who presented their work at the annual EIU Student Research and Creative Activity Conference.

WORLD LANGUAGES AND CULTURES



- Flexible Major in Spanish, French and German.
- Chinese 1101 & 1102
- World Language Minor: In the top 5 minors on campus.
- Latin American & Latinx Studies Minor
- Online WLS 1112 Spanish for the Health Professions. Meets FLG graduation requirement.
- In development: WLA 1101 & 1102 American Sign Language I & II (WLA 1101 to be offered Spring 2022)
- New faculty: Dr. Jessica Tindira (French); Dr. Elizabeth Lemus (Spanish)

Science Collaborations: iStem

Brings together students from underrepresented groups in the STEM disciplines and faculty committed to encouraging and empowering these students.

Peer mentoring — NEW in Fall 2021

6 student mentors across 4 disciplines paired with mentees

Faculty mentoring

7 students paired with faculty

Planned events include

Fall welcome picnic,

Applying for Internships, and

Finals Studying: Advice from the Pros

MEI: "Making Excellence Inclusive"

- A high-energy collective composed of faculty and staff from across campus
- Dedicated events throughout the year to nurture a more inclusive and welcoming community





Join us for our 2021 –2022 season of events!

With over 50 performances and countless other activities, there is always something to do at the Doudna!

Go to www.eiu.edu/doudna and stay up to date with all the events taking place.

DOUDNA FINE ARTS CENTER
2021-2022 SEASON

Dynamo September 1st, 2021 Dvorak Concert Hall	Talisk February 17th, 2022 Dvorak Concert Hall
Le Cirque: Spirit of the Machine September 28th, 2021 Dvorak Concert Hall	The Visitor February 26th, 2022 Black Box
Cordis Condition Blue October 5th, 2021 Dvorak Concert Hall	Little Women: The Musical March 3rd - 6th, 2022 Theatre
Rolston String Quartet October 29th, 2021 Recital Hall	The Reminders March 10th, 2022 Dvorak Concert Hall
Bette Davis November 18th, 2021 Theatre	Las Cafeteras April 7th, 2022 Dvorak Concert Hall
Bob Sheppard/63rd Jazz Festival February 4th, 2022 Dvorak Concert Hall	

Tarble Arts Center eiu.edu/tarble

September 24–December 4, 2021

Force Majeure

Hannah Black, micha cárdenas, Shirin Neshat, Pipilotti Rist, Janaina Tschäpe, and Carrie Mae Weems

Yoko Ono: Mend Piece

Re:hab / Re:sound

Brad Decker and Will Porter

Free Crystal Bowl Sound Baths for rest, reflection, and gratitude are held monthly in the museum.

Work study positions are available throughout the year.

Student exhibitions every spring.



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