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Carol A. Bailey, Sociology, published “Feminist Theory” in *The Routledge Handbook of Deviant Behavior*, ed. Clifton D. Bryant (New York: Routledge Press, 2011), pp. 164-71.

The Routledge Handbook of Deviant Behavior, edited by **Clifton D. Bryant**, Professor Emeritus of Sociology, was published posthumously by Routledge Press (2011). The work, which contains over 70 original chapters, serves as the capstone of what was by any measure an extraordinary career.

On September 2 the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences recognized the achievements of its students at “Celebrating Our Success.” The program opened with remarks by Dean **Sue Ott Rowlands**, donor remarks by alumna **Jeanne DaDamio**, and student remarks by **Lesley Stowe**, a senior in Theatre & Cinema and in English. Associate Dean **Rachel Holloway** recognized the following students, who were the recipients of College scholarship. The Dean’s Roundtable Scholarship went to **Philipp Kotlaba**, German, International Studies, and Psychology. The Dean’s Rising Senior Scholarship was awarded to **Thomas Anderson**, International Studies and Spanish; the Dean’s Rising Junior Scholarship to **Mark Dewyea**, English; and the Dean’s Rising Sophomore Scholarship to **Corinne Hayward**, Theatre and Cinema. **Elizabeth Richardson**, History, garnered the Hulick Scholarship for Leadership, Friendship, and Service. A Moody, Pratt, Minor Scholarship was awarded to the following students: **Margaret Appel-Schumacher**, German and International Studies; **Kyle Gardiner**, Political Science and Philosophy; **Felicia Kiefer**, Sociology and Public & Urban Affairs; **Hung-Vuong Pham**, Political Science and English; **Kathryn Shepard**, Philosophy, Animal & Poultry Science, and Art; **Carly Stephens**, Spanish and Biological Sciences. Mildred Crawford Weidemann Scholarships went to **Olivia Walsh**, English, and **Catherine Forgione**, Communication and Spanish. The Jerry Niles Alumni Scholarship was awarded to **Emily Goins**, Human Development. **Hilary Andreas**, English, and **Emily Blair**, English, were the recipients of the Calhoun Liberal Arts Scholarship in Honors. The winners of CLAHS Honors Scholarships for Continuing Students were: **Elizabeth Brucker**, International Studies and Interdisciplinary Studies; **Julia Katz**, Theatre and Cinema; **Erika Lower**, Humanities, Science, and Environment; **Nicole Williamson**, English; and **Jeremiah Witte**, Music. **Hilary Andreas**, English, **Emily Blair**, English, and **Travis Whaley**, Music and Mathematics, received a CLAHS Honors Scholarship for First-Time Freshman Students. Hokie Memorial Marathon Scholarships were **Victoria Bunting**, Interdisciplinary Studies; **Kyle Gardiner**, Political Science and Philosophy; and **Emily Goins**. Ora Goodwin Roop Scholarships went to **Brigid Benincasa**, Political Science and Philosophy, and **Alexandra**

Caracciolo, Spanish and Finance. Nelson-Lehmann-Gold Family Scholarships were presented to **Alyssa Felix**, Human Development, and **Kathleen Kolarek**, Communication. **Christopher Bonelli**, Communication, **Coryn Carson**, Communication and Theatre & Cinema, **Darlene Deacon**, Communication, and **Meghan McDonald**, Communication, were honored with Megan E. Christenson Memorial Scholarships. **Jarrid Dulaney**, Classical Studies and History, garnered a John Rathbone Scholarship. Senior Challenge Scholarships were awarded to **Andrea Burcham**, English, and **Carly Stephens**, Spanish and Biological Sciences. The following students received a Mary Karen Read Memorial Scholarship: **Kathryn Berlin**, Human Development; **Victoria Bunting**, Interdisciplinary Studies; **Shea Kahler**, English; **Savannah Reeves**, Interdisciplinary Studies; and **Melanie White**, Interdisciplinary Studies. College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences Staff Association Scholarships were presented to: **Tiffany Farley**, Political Science; **Thanh Luu**, English, and Apparel, Housing, & Resource Management; and **Tiffany Luu**, Political Science and Public & Urban Affairs. Recipients of the Robichaud Family Scholarship were: **Ashley Bosely**, Communication; **Alyssa Brown**, Political Science and Psychology; **Susan Buyrn**, Philosophy and Psychology; **Rebecca Clay**, Spanish; **Mark Dewyea**, English; **Alyssa Felix**, Human Development; **Olivia Kasik**, English and Psychology; **Thanh Luu**, English and Apparel, Housing, & Resource Management; **Aurora Martin**, Music and Chemistry; **Sarah Rhee**, English; **Elizabeth Richardson**, History; **Jason Schnitker**, History; **Lesley Stowe**, Theatre & Cinema and English; **Stephanie Tordoff**, English; **Vanessa Williams**, English; and **Katlin Wohlford**, Human Development. The following students received a 2010-2011 Education Abroad Scholarship: **Mark Dewyea**, English; **Jarrid Dulaney**, Classical Studies and History; **Sarah Edwards**, Music and Classical Studies; **Casey Gresham**, History; **Sara Johnson**, Music Education and Music Performance; **Brein Jones**, International Studies; **Megan Ledoux**, Human Development and Psychology; **Robert Mulloy**, English; **Christina Nguyen**, Sociology and Philosophy; **Sarah Rhee**, English and Sociology; **Madison Singer-Riske**, International Studies and Geography; **Anne Tomastik**, International Studies; and **Brittany Usiak**, Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management.

Tracy Cowden, Music, and David Stewart Wiley, music director of the Roanoke Symphony Orchestra, gave a two-piano concert on September 2 as part of the Smith Mountain Arts Council series at Trinity Ecumenical Parish in Moneta, Virginia. Their performance included the music of Bach, Brahms, Stravinsky, Gershwin, and Hanson.

Francois Debrix, Director of ASPECT, published *Beyond Biopolitics: Theory, Violence, and Horror in World Politics* (New York: Routledge, 2011), with co-author and former student Alexander Barder.

The School of Education Awards and Recognition Celebration took place on August 28 in Owens Banquet Hall, with a welcome by Director **Susan Magliaro** and opening comments by Dean **Sue Ott Rowlands**. Ten schools in the Commonwealth were recognized with 2011 Excellence in Education Awards; information about them is available [here](#). Five faculty members, a staff member, and a graduate student were honored as 2010-2011 College and School of Education Award winners; details about the latter can be found [here](#). Approximately \$123,000 in scholarship awards were presented to 69 students. In addition, the outstanding student in each School of Education program was recognized.

On September 13th, 17 master's and two doctoral students from the Counselor Education Program in the School of Education held a "Chain Reaction" event with 94 students at William Byrd Middle School in Roanoke. The group included students **Luisi Cano**, **Jennifer Cook**, **Paul Debnam**, **Amy Dove**, **Trisha**

Houghton, Amber Hylton, Kaitlin Karweik, Beatriz Lima, Ali Kirby, Jillian McCay, Lauren McGill, Katrina Nulf, Tyler Orebaugh, Maddy Reedy, Megan Reeve, Krystina Smith, Tina Smith, Amanda Toomey, and Jessica Watahovich, as well as faculty member **Gerard Lawson**, Counselor Education Program, who coordinated the university's participation. The event, which is part of Rachel's Challenge, is part of a program designed to help change school climate. It is part of the legacy of Rachel Scott, the first student killed at Columbine High School, and is designed to enhance kindness and compassion in schools that participate. The students did an impressive job modeling how to take emotional risks and be a change maker; they earned the respect of the students and the thanks of the school counselors – representing Virginia Tech in true Ut Prosim style.

At its September meeting the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors conferred the emeritus title on the following faculty:

Jerzy Nowak, Professor of Horticulture in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, served as founding director of the Center for Peace Studies and Violence Prevention from 2008-2011; during this time he was a Professor of Sociology in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences. As director of the CPSVP, he promoted transdisciplinary research, teaching, and service with the goal of violence prevention and the promotion of peace. Nowak joined the Virginia Tech community in 2000; he served as department head and engaged in outreach with the Institute for Advanced Learning and Research in Danville. He earned his master's and doctoral degrees from the Agricultural-Technical University in Olsztyn, Poland.

Travis W. Twiford, Associate Professor of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies in the School of Education, joined the Virginia Tech community in 1999. He was the director of the Hampton Roads Center and the coordinator of the Hampton Roads educational leadership program; in addition, he served as interim director of the Richmond Center and was the driving force in establishing doctoral and master's cohorts in educational leadership there. Twiford was a national leader in the field of educational leadership throughout his 41-year career. Many of his former students have become leaders in public school systems. Twiford earned his bachelor's degree and master's degree from East Carolina University and the Ed.D. from Virginia Tech.

Professor of Political Science **Charles E. Walcott** earned his bachelor's degree from Occidental College and a master's degree and Ph.D. from the University of California, Santa Barbara. A member of the Virginia Tech community since 1989, he focused his scholarly research on the U.S. presidency, executive politics, and organizational theory. The author or co-author of more than 40 peer-reviewed journal articles, book chapters, books, and reviews, Walcott held leadership positions in the Presidency Research Group of the American Political Science Association, as well as editorships for significant presidential research journals. In the classroom, Walcott taught a variety of undergraduate and graduate political science courses; he chaired and served on numerous master's and doctoral committees.

Department of English faculty members **Erika Meitner** and **Bob Hicok** had poems published in *The Best American Poetry 2011*, eds. David Lehman and Kevin Young (New York: Scribner, 2011). Meitner's "Elegy with Construction Sounds, Water, Fish" appears on pp. 74-75, and Hicok's "Having Intended to Merely Pick on an Oil Company, the Poem Goes Awry" is found on pp. 52-53.

Mariana K. Falconier, Human Development, published "Couples experiencing financial strain: What we know and what we can do," *Family Relations* 60 (2011): 303-17, with N.B. Epstein.

The activities of **Rachel Gallimore**, a senior Communication and Spanish major as well as a transfer student, were featured in the VT spotlight in September. In her abbreviated career as a Hokie, Gallimore has found time to pursue a dual major, engage in undergraduate research, complete an internship, study abroad, and become involved in a number of service projects, including Habitat for Humanity and the Pilot Street Project in Roanoke. More on Gallimore can be found [here](#).

Jim Garrison, School of Education/Teaching and Learning, gave the Culture of Peace Distinguished Speakers Lecture at Soka Gakkai International-USA Chicago Center on September 26. The lecture served as the focus for the day's activities at the center.

Heather L. Gumbert, History and Faculty Principal for the Honors Residential College, published "Cold War Theaters: Cosmonaut Titov at the Berlin Wall," in *Into the Cosmos. Space Exploration and Soviet Culture*, ed. James T. Andrews and Asif Siddiqi (Pittsburgh: Pittsburgh University Press, 2011), pp. 240-62.

James Hawdon, Sociology and Director of the Center for Peace Studies and Violence Prevention, published "Burglary" in *The Routledge Handbook of Deviant Behavior*, ed. **Clifton D. Bryant** (New York: Routledge Press, 2011), pp. 484-91.

Annie Hesp, Foreign Languages and Literatures/Spanish, coordinated with John Boyer, College of Natural Resources and Environment/Geography, to bring to campus Martin Sheen and Emilio Estevez on September 28. At a conference in Washington, D.C., in March, Hesp initiated a discussion with the two Hollywood stars about bringing to Blacksburg their new movie, *The Way*. Boyer's posts on social media elicited enough of a response that Sheen and Estevez agreed to travel to Virginia Tech for the screening, which took place in Burruss Hall to an enthusiastic, packed house. *The Way* refers to El Camino de Santiago or the Way of St. James, a pilgrimage trail in Spain. Hesp has biked it twice and hiked it twice. More about plans for the event is available [here](#); coverage of the event can be found in the [Roanoke Times](#) and the [Collegiate Times](#).

Human Development doctoral candidate **Chih-Ling Liou**, master's student **Andrea Mendes**, and faculty member **Shannon Jarrott**, published "Schools for all ages: How intergenerational programs nurture the youngest-young and oldest-old," *Aging Today* 32.5 (September/October 2011): 9 and 12. The invited paper describes shared site intergenerational programs, where young and old receive services concurrently in a single space.

Doris Kincade, Apparel, Housing and Resource Management, published "Historical Analysis of Apparel Marketer's Strategies: Evidence from a Nike Case," *Journal of Global Fashion Marketing* 1.3 (2011): 182-93, with alumna Hyejune Park.

Department of Philosophy head **James Klagge** was interviewed by the *Tehran (Iran) Times* about philosophers becoming more specialized. The interview is available [here](#).

Philipp Kotlaba, a senior majoring in German, International Studies, and Psychology, was selected as a German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Young Ambassador for 2011-2012; he is one of 42 undergraduates selected nationally for this honor. Young Ambassadors have studied recently in

Germany and are interested in promoting study in Germany at their home universities and colleges. More about Kotlaba and the rest of this year's DAAD cohort can be found [here](#).

Irene Leech, Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management, was appointed to the New York Independent System Operator's (NYISO) Consumer Advisory Council. NYISO manages the system that provides reliable electricity to New York's wholesale market and its transmission, and the Consumer Advisory Council advises NYISO's Board of Directors and its President and Chief Executive Officer from the perspective of end-use electricity consumers. Leech also was appointed to the Federal Communication Commission's (FCC) Consumer Advisory Committee (CAC) for a second term as the representative of the Consumer Federation of America. The CAC is charged with making recommendations to the FCC regarding consumer issues including equal access to telecommunications products and service for all citizens, including people with disabilities and underserved populations (such as those living in rural areas).

Colonel John Montgomery, Air Force ROTC, was featured on August 31 on Nevada Public Radio in a discussion of the mortgage crisis in Nevada and how it is affecting members of the military. The panel discussion can be heard [here](#). Colonel Montgomery also was interviewed in July by CNN and the [Las Vegas local news](#) about the same topic.

Amy Nelson, History, published "Cold War Celebrity and The Courageous Canine Scout: The Life and Times of Soviet Space Dogs," in *Into the Cosmos. Space Exploration and Soviet Culture*, ed. James T. Andrews and Asif Siddiqi (Pittsburgh: Pittsburgh University Press, 2011), pp. 133-58.

Kelly Parkes, School of Education/Teaching and Learning, was recognized as the September 19 Virginia Tech Teacher of the Week by the Center for Instructional Development and Educational Research (CIDER). Parkes was honored for her learner-centered approach to teaching in a pre-professional teacher education program. She educates future K-12 music educators enrolled in a Master of Arts, with Licensure, degree in the School of Education. Her course, Teaching in Middle and Secondary Schools, is taught in conjunction with field work and her students are supported as they bridge the gap between theory and practice.

Molly Scanlon, a doctoral student in the Department of English/Rhetoric and Writing and Assistant to the Director of Composition, published "Comics, Journalism, and War Discourse," *Public Knowledge Journal* 3.1 (2011), online [here](#).

Paula Seniors, Sociology, published "Transforming the 'Carmen' Narrative: The Case of 'Carmen, The Hip Hoper,'" *Message in the Music Hip Hop, History, and Pedagogy*, ed. Derrick P. Alridge, James B. Stewart, and V.P. Franklin (Washington: The ASALH Press, 2010 [published Fall 2011]), pp. 301-20. In addition, Seniors was awarded a \$5,000 grant from the NBUF Committee of the National Council for Black Studies as well as a \$1000 grant from the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities to support students from her Africana Studies Pro Seminar as they travel to the Association for the Study of African American Life and History Youth Day in Richmond on October 8.

Brett Shadle, History, published "Sexual Offences in Kenya Courts, 1960s-2008," *Kenya Law Review* 2 (2008-10), available [here](#).

Amy Shuster, Political Science, published "The Modes of Theorizing in Aristotle's Politics," *PS: Political Science and Politics* (July 2011): 611-18.

Joan Monahan Watson, Director of Pre-Education, Graduate School, and Career Advising in the College, was recognized as the September 26 Virginia Tech Teacher of the Week by the Center for Instructional Development and Educational Research (CIDER). Watson was honored for her dedication to student-centered inquiry, her respect for the diverse backgrounds and learning needs of her students, and her commitment to engendering an awareness and appreciation of lifelong learning through her pedagogy and practice. She regularly teaches LAHS 3004, a Professional Development Seminar designed to prepare students in the College for professional and academic endeavors beyond the baccalaureate degree.

Alumni Highlights

The College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences is pleased to recognize its alumni and alumnae who are serving as this year's CLAHS Alumni Advisory Board Members: **Nadia Aljabri Baker** (M.A. Communication, 2007), **Treva Carter** (History, 1973), **Jeanne DaDamio** (French, 1975, and Education, 1976), **Ron Epperly** (Educational Leadership and Policy Studies, 1997), **Grayson Gosney** (Sociology, 1996), **Christina Jenkins** (Communication, 1993), **Dorothy Long** (Communication, 1979, and M.A. Consumer Studies, 1983), **Nancy Moga** (Education, 1976), **Nancy Munnikhuysen** (Management, Housing, and Family Development, 1974), **Jacqueline Nottingham** (Family and Child Development, 1988), **Kelly Obenauer** (Communication, 2005), **Andrew Rotherham** (History and Political Science, 1994), **Michael Schroder** (Hospitality and Tourism Management, 1992, and Education, 1994), **Howard Sholl** (History and Political Science, 1966), **Melissa Smarr** (Consumer Studies and Family and Child Development, 1995), and **Judy Springer** (Communication and International Studies, 1995). The President is Jacqueline Nottingham; President Elect: Nadia Aljabri Baker; and Vice President: Dorothy Long.

The 2011 CLAHS Homecoming Celebration will take place on Thursday, November 17, beginning at 4:30 PM. More information about the event and a link to the registration site can be found [here](#).

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