

# A&S Newsletter

October 2018



## Call for Nominations-Due October 12

Please include a one page letter on why you are nominating the person that award. Qualifications for each award are below and exact criteria are located [here](#).

**Stalnaker Lecture:** The Stalnaker Lecture Award is presented to a distinguished faculty member who is invited to present a lecture to the University community on a topic in his or her discipline. The lecturer must be a faculty member holding the rank of professor or associate professor (in at least her/his fourth academic year at that rank).

**Distinguished Engagement Award:** The College of Arts & Sciences established the Distinguished Engagement Award to recognize outstanding contributions of Drake faculty and staff to the college community.

## Need a new headshot?

University Communications and Marketing will hold three professional headshot sessions throughout the fall semester. The first is Oct. 19 from 12 to 3 p.m. in Olmsted. The sessions are free to all faculty and staff.

## Want to visit with the Dean?

Gesine will be holding open office hours at Mars Cafe on October 17th from 2-4pm.

## Have questions about ADA accommodations?

Please join Michelle Laughlin and Leah Berte, from Student Disability Services, for a conversation on teaching and advising in the context of student accommodations. We will meet on Friday, October 19th, 1:00-2:00 p.m. in Medbury 116.

## Upcoming Events

All of these events can be found on our new University Calendar at [calendar.drake.edu](http://calendar.drake.edu). Any person on campus can submit an event to this calendar.

### October

- October 20: 7:30pm in Sheslow Auditorium: Drake Symphony Orchestra
- October 26: 7:30pm in Coleman Studio, Student Theatre Showcase
- October 30, 5pm in Meredith 125C: Drake Innovators Halloween Celebration
- October 31, 7:30pm in Turner Jazz Center: Jazz Combo Night
- November 2, 6:30pm in Sheslow Auditorium: Stalnaker Lecture by Robert Craig: "Engaging the Physical World: Making Objects"

## Meet the New Faculty

### Erin Horst, Assistant Professor of Theatre

Erin Horst is a native of Vinton, Iowa. Before teaching at Drake, she worked as an actor, director and choreographer for various professional companies around the Midwest. Some of her onstage achievements have been recognized with two Kennedy Center Irene Ryan Acting nominations for her roles as the title character in Mary Poppins and Mother in A Christmas Story. She has performed at venues around the country including the Kennedy Center in Washington, DC and Carnegie Hall in New York City. She was most recently seen as Helen in Iowa Stage Theatre Company's production of Fun Home.



## Faculty Spotlights

Mary McCarthy, department of political science, took part in the Mansfield Foundation Bridging the Divide Program in South Korea in June 2018. After which, she returned to the US to share her experiences on Iowa Public Radio's River to River program and in the Des Moines Register.

Read more about the trip at the following links:

- [Iowa Public Radio Interview Program](#)
- [Des Moines Register](#)



Inbal Mazar was selected as an Iowa Campus Compact Engaged Scholar Research Fellow. "The program, in its second year, supports Iowa faculty in the scholarship of community-engaged teaching and learning. Each scholar will receive support for completing and publishing their research. This includes sponsored participation in the 2018 Pen to Paper Writing Retreat being held this August in Seattle, Washington. This event is an academic writing retreat designed to guide faculty, professional staff, graduate students, and community partners working on (or planning for) journal manuscripts and registration is still open."



Ellie Falter, music education professor, had her first published article as a Drake professor. In the article, they made research-based policy recommendations on effective and appropriate professional development models for music teachers, considering their differing needs at different career stages. This work came out of collaboration through the Society for Music Teacher Education.

## Student Spotlights

Alex Freeman, a Spanish student, spent the past three months putting his Spanish minor to task at the U.S. Embassy in Santiago, Chile, where he worked with a multicultural team to promote the commercial relationship between the U.S. and Chile.

## Upcoming Due Dates

- October 19** Faculty Development for Spring 2018 due
- October 22** Midterm grades due by 8 a.m.
- October 25** Last day for major/minor changes before registration
- October 29** Book adoptions are due to the bookstore for Spring 2018
- October 29** Spring 2019 course registration begins
- November 1** Final grades available for faculty web-entry and student viewing
- November 15** Second-year faculty reviews due to Dean
- November 20** Thanksgiving recess begins after evening classes
- November 21-23** University closed beginning at noon

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## A&S Newsletters Update

While we can compile some of this information from reports and official Drake news, we want to be able to share what everyone is doing! Please share your ideas on how to make the newsletter better as well as news around campus. If you or your students are doing something really exciting, SUBMIT YOUR NEWS!