Hello and welcome back to the Spring semester. As you can see we have a number of events underway and we hope you will support our students and faculty by attending as many as you can. Please keep us posted on what you are up to by submitting to the newsletter. From all of us in the Dean's office, we wish you all a successful and productive semester.

Luis, Andy, Bridget, Frank, Karen, Robyn, Alice, Andrew & Shaima

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**Events & Announcements**

**Feb. 2. 3-6 pm. Alumni Hall.** *Wanted: 21st Century Explorers! Women and Men Working Together in STEM.* Join Women Academics Valued and Engaged in Stem (WAVES) in its kickoff event with keynote speaker: Dr. Pan Conrad. Making WAVES is a 5-year NSF funded initiative to promote the success of women faculty in STEM fields. The NSF ADVANCE program is designed to identify and eliminate organizational barriers that impede the full participation and advancement of women faculty. The event will kick off with a welcome by Chancellor Moloney, followed by an overview of the WAVES Project, the keynote speech and finally a poster session and a reception. For more information visit, uml.edu/advance.

**Feb. 9. 4-6 pm. Allen House.** *Reading and Q&A Session on American Philosophy: A Love Story with John Kaag.* Please join Professor of Philosophy John Kaag for a reading and Q&A about his book, which is a New York Times Editor's Choice and was selected by National Public Radio as Best Book of the Year. Come hear how a collection of rare and ancient books—a keystone of
classical American philosophy was discovered in the hinterlands of New Hampshire and was saved by members of the philosophy department at UMass Lowell. The books are now housed at O'Leary library and constitute one of the most valuable troves of American intellectual history in the country. This is an event for book lovers and philosophers—and anyone who thinks that philosophy can still matter in the lives of flesh-and-blood people and their communities. The event is co-sponsored by the Philosophy Department, the Office of Advancement and the Dean's Office of the College of Fine Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences. For more information, contact John_Kaag@uml.edu

Feb. 22. 4:30 pm. O'Leary 222. Solid State Mythologies Exhibit by Morehshin Allahyari Curated by Professors Misha Rabinovich and Caitlin Foley. The impact of modern-day technology on political, social, cultural and gender norms will be explored in Solid State Mythologies, an exhibit by Iranian-American artist Morehshin Allahyari. Works on display have been created using a variety of media, including 3-D printing, digital archiving, video and animation. The exhibit will be
Feb. 22 at 4:30 p.m. in the O’Leary Library, rm. 222 on South Campus. The reception will follow afterwards from 6-8 p.m. in the University Gallery in Mahoney Hall. Presented by the Department of Art and Design, the events are free and open to the campus and community. For more information, contact Deborah Santoro.

Feb. 24. 8:30 pm. Tsongas Center. College of Fine Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Alumni Night at Hockey. Join Dean Luis Falcón for appetizers and a cash bar in the Talon Club before taking your specially-reserved seat to watch the River Hawks take on Boston College. Register online by Feb. 17. Kids 10 and under can dress up like a River Hawk and hang out at the activity table.
Feb. 25. 8 pm. Mark & Elissa Saab Emerging Technologies and Innovation Center. Powering Up! - the third concert in the Chancellor's Celebration of Music series - raises the curtains on the creative work and professional craft developed within UMass Lowell's Sound Recording Technology, Composition in New Media and Digital Media programs. Join us in celebrating UMass Lowell’s state-of-the-art technology in service of creative expression. You will enjoy a night of professional-level student recordings in multi-channel surround, multimedia and interactive installations, and in tandem with the Oscars and the Grammies, a presentation featuring the award winning work of our high profile alumnae and more! Visit uml.edu/celebratemusic for tickets for the concert and preceding reception at the Alumni Hall.
March 2. 8 pm. Durgin Hall. Medieval Gallego-Portuguese Troubadour Love Songs Concert by TellTale Crossing Ensemble. Join the Saab-Pedroso Center for Portuguese Culture and Research, the Music Department, the Department of World Languages and Cultures, the Medieval and Renaissance Studies Program in this early music concert. The haunting GALLEGO-PORTUGUESE CANTIGAS DE AMIGO are an all-but-lost piece of western love lyric tradition dating back to the ninth century. Featuring Cristi Catt and Daniela Tomic, vocals; Taki Masuko, percussion; Ritchie Stearns, banjo, and Cory DiMario, bass. Free and open to the public. For more information, contact Natalia Melo.
The French Table. The Department of World Languages and Cultures invites you to practice your french every Thursday. For more information, contact Professor Mamadou Samb.
The Philosophy Department is partnering with the Luna Theater in downtown Lowell to present the UMass Lowell Philosophy and Film series. Each film will be followed by a talk from a member from the Philosophy Department. The series is held on the last Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. and is free and open to the public. The Luna Theater is located on the fourth floor of Mill No. 5, 250 Jackson St., Lowell.

Jan. 30: "The Matrix" with Jose Mendoza who will present on External World Skepticism
Feb. 27: "Don Jon" with Carol Hay who will present on Ethical Issues in Pornography
March 27: "Pulp Fiction" with Christa Hodapp who will present on Masculinity and Race
April 24: "Being John Malkovich" with Luis Oliveira, who will present on the Philosophy of Mind

For more information visit The Luna Theater website or email Heidi_Furey@uml.edu.
As part of her ongoing work, Psychology Professor Yana Weinstein created this Effective Study Strategies Video to promote learning strategies for students and educators. Please help to encourage students' success by sharing this video with your students.

Yana Weinstein is Co-Founder of The Learning Scientists, an online community founded to motivate students to study, increase the use of effective study and teaching strategies that are backed by research and decrease negative views of testing. For more information on The Learning Scientists, visit http://www.learningscientists.org/downloadable-materials/.
The Department of Music is pleased to offer the following performances for the month of February. For more information, please visit: https://www.uml.edu/FAHSS/music/Performance-Calendar.aspx

**Feb. 10.** University Orchestra Concert  
8:00 PM. Durgin Concert Hall.  
University Orchestra, conducted by Mark Latham presents their annual Valentines Concert.

**Feb. 12.** Student Recital - Stephen Marzik, bassoon  
3:00 PM. Fisher Recital Hall, Durgin Hall.  
Bassoonist Stephen Marzik presents a student recital. Free and open to the public.

**Feb. 23.** Wind Ensemble Concerto Competition Concert  
8:00 PM. Durgin Concert Hall.  
The Wind Ensemble directed by Dan Lutz, comprised of some of the finest musicians at the University, performs in concert. The concert will feature the winning soloist of the Annual Concerto Competition along with other works for wind band including Van der Roost’s Spartacus, inspired by the legendary Roman slave turned warrior.

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**Want to Submit an Event?**

Send an email to FAHSS@uml.edu. Please include your name, the event information (date, time, location), a description of the event (50 words or less), an image, and a contact person.

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**Emerging Scholars Program**

**CALLING ALL FACULTY**

**Deadline for application: Feb. 7**

The Emerging Scholars Program is recruiting faculty mentors for the 2017-2018 school year. The Emerging Scholars program is a year-long research partnership between a faculty mentor and a junior or senior undergraduate student. The partners work together to set and accomplish goals on a specific project. The student is paid for his/her research and the faculty gain free assistance for 9 hours per week totaling 125 hours per semester. Additionally, faculty members are able to gain mentoring experience and guidance. If you would like to learn more about past projects, please visit: http://www.uml.edu/Research/Centers/CWW/Emerging-Scholars.aspx
Please find the faculty application for the 2017-2018 school year and some additional information regarding the expectations of the program, here. Please also note, the deadline for applications is Tuesday February 7th.

We hope you will consider applying for this great opportunity that includes some research support and developing a mentor relationship with a student. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Jenifer Whitten-Woodring and Richard Serna (from the Emerging Scholars leadership team) or one of the participants from this past year listed below:

John Cluverius  
Cheryl Llewellyn  
Judy Davidson  
Doreen Arcus  
Jana Sladkova  
Yana Weinstein  
Richard Serna  
Elissa Johnson-Green  
Robert Forrant

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**2017 Southeast Asian American Studies Conference**

**CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

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**Deadline: Feb. 1, 2017**

The UMass Lowell Center for Asian American Studies invites paper or poster abstracts for the fifth triennial Southeast Asian American Studies conference, which will take place on July 27-29, 2017, at the University of Massachusetts Lowell. We invite scholars, artists, activists, organizers, and community members from all disciplines and sites (including Filipino/a American Studies, Vietnamese American Studies, Laotian American Studies, Hmong Studies, Cambodian American Studies, Thai American Studies, and diasporic Southeast Asian Studies). For submission guidelines and more information, please visit: [https://www.uml.edu/conferences/seaas-2017/submissions.aspx](https://www.uml.edu/conferences/seaas-2017/submissions.aspx)