Community Connections Breakfast 2015 – Faculty Contacts

Abdallah, Lisa
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Gerontological Nurse - Focus: interested in working to improve the overall Health and Quality of life of our Older Adult population. Especially ways to empower older adults and their family caregivers as they navigate through the health care system during times of illness. Focused education and awareness relating to Dehydration, Delirium, Inappropriate Use of Medications, Falls, as well as other factors that can lead to poor quality of life are areas that I have interest in collaborating with organizations on.
Seeking: Community Organizations and Health Care facilities that work with older adults and their family caregivers.

Ackerson, Leland
Assistant Professor – College of Health Sciences
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Focus: Public health, medical, and social service programs related to public health education, programming, interventions, communication, research, management, and policy.
Seeking: Community partners who would be interested in hosting undergraduate public health interns at their organization for small (4 hours per week) or large (up to 32 hours per week) practicum placements.

Archibald, Diana
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Focus: writing and electronic media communication
Seeking: (1) possible internship positions for English majors completing writing-related or other relevant work, and (2) potential Service-Learning projects for students to complete (could include any kind of writing or electronic communication).
Preference for local non-profit organizations and schools, but government offices and businesses also possible. If you need writers, we can probably come up with a way to assist!

Arevalo, Sandra
Post-doctoral Researcher - College of Health Sciences, Department of Clinical Laboratory and Nutritional Sciences
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Focus: Qualitative and quantitative data on stressors experienced by immigrant children.
Seeking: Collaboration to serve and assess stress and adverse events experienced by immigrant children

Barry, Carol
Professor - Plastics Engineering  
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**Focus:** Fluid systems and polymer materials.  
**Seeking:** (1) Groups that have need of fluid carrying/delivery systems and (2) testing of polymer materials

**Bobek, Eliza**  
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**Bush, John-Morgan**  
Director - UMass Lowell String Project and Youth Orchestra  
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**Focus:** Music Entrepreneurship, Music Education, Music Performance.  
**Seeking:** Groups that are interested in the performing arts, community building, and improving the educational experience for local youth.

**Canning, James**  
Director, Honors Program and professor of computer science - UMass Lowell Honors Program  
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**Focus:** The UMass Lowell Honors program can offer either dedicated, small group community service-learning courses or independent study experiences to honor students.  
**Seeking:** The honors program is open to a wide variety of partners.

**Champagne, Nicole**  
Associate Prof. and Chair - Community Health and Sustainability  
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**Focus:** Public Health, Health Promotion, and Environmental Health.  
**Seeking:** Community partners to work with our students and faculty on service learning projects and internship placements related to the broad field of public health. Students could be involved with projects that include planning, implementing, and/or evaluating health programs, advocacy and organizing efforts, or research to assist in better understand the concerns and needs (as well as strengths and assets) of the community being served by the organization.

**Coffey, Patty**  
Assistant Director - Community Relations  
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**Focus:** The Office of Community Relations helps UMass Lowell establish and maintain partnerships in the public and private sectors that advance and fulfill the campus mission; provides support to create and sustain strategic partnerships, especially institutional partnerships; represents UMass Lowell on committees and boards of organizations; and links campus resources and services to the community while bringing the benefits of community engagement to students, faculty, and staff.
Daniels, Jody
Adjunct Professor - Community Health & Sustainability
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**Focus:** Wellness, health education, mindfulness in schools, improving access to healthcare for people with disabilities.

Dennis, Marjorie
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Fox, Michele
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Grinstein, Georges
Professor and Director - Computer Science
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**Focus:** Broad and interdisciplinary, covering the perceptual and cognitive foundations of visualization, data visualization, visual analytics and applications. The emphasis is on the modeling, visualization, and analysis of complex information data and systems.
**Seeking:** Organizations interested in analyzing, visualizing, disseminating information and data for evaluation, knowledge, communication, impact and facilitating decision making.

Grosch, Theodore
Lecturer - ECE
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**Focus:** Electrical and Computer engineering Capstone program instructor of record supervising 30-40 projects per year.
**Seeking:** Contacts who need assistive technology that are suitable projects for a senior electrical or computer engineering student.

Hansen, Chris
Assistant Professor - Mechanical Engineering
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**Focus:** Materials and their properties (e.g., mechanical behavior, strength, deformation, sustainability) as it relates to Mechanical Engineering.
**Seeking:** Groups that have relations to textiles, gears, beams, composites, green building practices, and sustainable materials design. Or any groups that may fit into the mechanical engineering area.

Harris, Andrew
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Kazmer, David
Professor - Plastics Engineering
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**Focus:** Engineering design of products as well as manufacturing processes. Also involved in engineering education and K12 Outreach, including through UTeach. I'm also involved in the Museum Institute for Teaching Science.
**Seeking:** Teachers/schools looking to increase engineering content in their curriculum. Community partners needing custom products designed.

Kuhn, Sarah
Professor - Psychology
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**Focus:** Teach grant writing and program evaluation. My grant writing students work with a partner to write a grant proposal suitable for submission, and my program evaluation students work with me to design a real-world program evaluation for a client. Also very interested in "Making" and how making crafts, electronic devices, and other things can increase learning and bridge cultures and communities.
**Seeking:** Community partners with grant writing and program evaluation needs. I'm interested in talking to any potential partner who shares my interests!

Mitchell, AJ
Postdoctoral Research Associate - Physics and Applied Physics
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**Focus:** Research into different aspects of nuclear physics including the structure of the atomic nucleus, experiments with radioactive nuclei and development of detectors to perform such experiments.
**Seeking:** Seeking opportunities to become involved in physics "outreach" within the community.

Poikonen, John
Visiting Lecturer - Health Informatics & Management
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**Focus:** The use of health information to make informed decisions for individuals or public health. Particular focus on medication related issues.
**Seeking:** Groups that look to enhance health through better health and medication management. Measuring the impact of health promotional interventions with more accurate data.

Rashid, Md
Lecturer - CEE
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**Focus:** Economics, environmental and water resources.
**Seeking:** I am looking forward meeting with engineering organizations and/or community partners
Rioux, Yu Aloe  
Cultural Studies  
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**Focus:** Teaching, curriculum development, and research in Chinese language and culture; cross-cultural exchange and understanding.  
**Seeking:** curricula and research in (business) Chinese (conversation, writing, summer workshops, or study in China projects) as well as recruiting Chinese students and cultural exchange programs.

Rosales, Rocio  
Assistant Professor - Psychology  
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**Focus:** 1) autism spectrum disorders, with a specific emphasis on behavioral language assessment and interventions; 2) parent and staff training related to working directly with a child with autism.  
**Seeking:** Community organizations, schools, or parents that may be in need of or interested in learning more about behavioral intervention services for their child or student. I am also interested in collaborating with organizations or schools seeking additional support with staff training as it relates to working with children with autism.

Smith, William  
Professional Science Masters Adviser & Instructor - Provost’s Office  
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**Focus:** Professional Science Masters (PSM) is an innovative degree program for graduate students in the sciences. Developed in concert with industry partners and designed to enhance career growth, PSM combines advanced scientific training with professional communications, project management, and business fundamentals to produce employees who are ready to meet your workforce needs today.  
**Seeking:** Partnerships with science-based companies that are: Seeking to advance their employees through higher education in science and business fundamentals; seeking interns to fill temporary needs, and interested in serving in an advisory capacity.

Tello, Steven  
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**Focus:** The UMass Lowell DifferenceMaker™ Program engages UMass Lowell students in creative problem solving, innovation and entrepreneurship by encouraging and supporting them in work around problems that matter. See http://www.uml.edu/differencemaker.  
**Seeking:** Potential engagement around various community and social problems. Specifically looking for program and projects that link to our students expertise and interests, and that might engage them over a semester or more.

Testa, Mike  
Music: Sound Recording Technology
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**Focus:** Sound Recording, Audio Engineering, Electronic Performance and Composition.

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**Toomey, Walter**
Lecturer - Legal Studies
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**Focus:** Legal studies and paralegal studies. Civil and criminal practice and theory.
**Seeking:** Law firms, independent attorneys, court departments, in-house counsel, law enforcement offices, government agencies, and other organizations that perform some aspect of legal work suitable for UML student exposure.

The Toxics Use Reduction Institute (TURI) at the University of Massachusetts Lowell provides resources and tools to help make the Commonwealth a safer and more sustainable place to live and work. Established by the Massachusetts Toxics Use Reduction Act (TURA) of 1989, TURI collaborates with businesses, community organizations and government agencies to reduce the use of toxic chemicals, protect public health and the environment, and increase competitiveness of Massachusetts businesses. TURI's services include training, grant programs, library services, and technical assistance.

TURI can provide information on a wide variety of topics related to protecting health and the environment by reducing the use of toxic chemicals. We have funded numerous projects on reducing toxic exposures in dry cleaning, hair and nail salons, auto shops, and other small businesses, as well as actions that individuals can take, such as choosing safer cleaning products and personal care products, reducing pesticide use, and other activities.

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**Vinson, Jenna**
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**Focus:** Rhetoric and writing, with a specific focus on professional writing and persuasive communication. In addition, I research and teach about issues of difference and inequality including issues of gender, race, sexuality, age, and class.
**Seeking:** Non-profit organizations, schools, government agencies, and/or small businesses with business or technical communication needs that my undergraduate students could work on. In addition, groups interested in issues related to women and writing.

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**Weeden, Lori**
Lecturer - EEAS
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**Focus:** I have been fortunate to work with the Lowell Parks and Conservation Trust providing water chemistry data on a tributary to the Concord River. I have also worked with the Morey School.
freshmen seminar students presented information on natural hazards to the elementary students this last fall. I would be happy to share my experiences.

**Seeking:** Not looking for a partner at this time, but would be happy to facilitate a new partnership for other parties

**Stulken, Imogene**  
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**Focus:** Community connections and outreach.  
**Seeking:** Agencies that are near UMass Lowell that have service opportunities for First-Year Experience Seminar students.