

The College of Letters and Science

The College-at-the-Core

STATE OF THE COLLEGE

**Of 1800 new students this fall,
1083 are in COLS!**



Be sure to pick up...

- COLS Internal Grants - Deadlines/Descriptions
- Community Lecture Series Brochure
- This PP available on Our Website (www.uwsp.edu/cols)



COLS Office Staff- *Serving You!*

Dean.....	Chris Cirmo
Dean's Assistant.....	Pat Kleman
Office Assistant.....	Dawn Haynes
Associate Dean.....	Todd Good
Assistant Dean.....	Dona Warren
COLS/CST Team Leader	Al Bond
Assistant for Marketing, Events, Comm.....	Scott Tappa
Director of Development.....	Tony Romano
Continuing Education Liaison.....	Julie Hellweg
IT Coordinator	Aaron Schaufenbuel
IT Coordinator	Robert Fix



COLS Promotions/Retirements

Tenure and Associate Professor:

- Thomas Leek(WLL)
- Valerie Barske (History)
- Shanny Luft (Philosophy)
- Adriana Durbala (Physics/Astronomy)
- Weimin He (CNMT)
- Rob Harper (History)

To Full Professor:

- Tobias Barske (WLL)
- Katie Stern (CNMT)

Academic Staff Promotions:

- Tenille Nowak (Senior Lecturer)
- Donna Kitchens (Lecturer)
- Doug Miskowiak
(Senior Admin Program Specialist)

Retirements:

- Patricia Jaberg (Math)
- Randy Olson (Physics/Astronomy)
- Richard Ruppel (WLL)
- Beverley David (WLL)
- Barbara Dixson (English)
- William Lawlor (English)
- Emmett Judziewicz (Biology)
- Susan Brewer (History)
- John Droske (Chemistry)
- Gayle Huglen (American Studies)
- Joseph Waligore (Philosophy)

Faculty Awards/Fellowships

Awards

- **Jennifer Bray** (Biology)
Excellence in Teaching Award
- **Neil Prendergast** (History)
Excellence in Teaching Award
- **Dona Warren** (Philosophy)
Excellence in Teaching Award
- **Robert Rosenfield** (Biology)
University Scholar Award
- **Tobias Barske** (WLL)
University Service Award
- **Randy Olson** (Physics/Astronomy)
University Service Award
- **Andy Felt** (Mathematics)
Teaching, Scholarship, Service
- **Richard Ruppel** (WLL)- Eugene Katz
Distinguished Faculty Award

UW Teaching Fellows

- **Krista Slemmons** (Biology)



Free

Community Lecture Series 2015-2016



Dysfunctional Politics: What Are People Saying About Religion and Politics in the U.S.?

September 15, 2015 • 6:30 p.m. at the Portage County Library
Karin Fry (Philosophy)



The Intriguing Life Histories of Mosquitoes of Portage County

October 13, 2015 • 6:30 p.m. at the Portage County Library
Jamee Hubbard (Biology)



Using Math to Schedule Athletic Conference Seasons

November 10, 2015 • 6:30 p.m. at the Portage County Library
Andy Felt and Students (Mathematical Sciences)



The Roots of the Real Christmas Tree

December 8, 2015 • 6:30 p.m. at the Portage County Library
Neil Prendergast (History)



Creation of Community at Tomahawk's Harley Davidson Fall Ride

February 9, 2016 • 6:30 p.m. at the Portage County Library
Lisa Theo (Geography and Geology)



Why the World Loves Soccer But Americans Hate It

March 8, 2016 • 6:30 p.m. at the Portage County Library
Tobias Barske (World Languages and Literatures)



Problematic Plastics: Effects on Brain and Behavior

April 12, 2016 • 6:30 p.m. at the Portage County Library
Heather Molenda-Figueira (Psychology)



Cultivating Tomorrow's Leaders: The Value of the Model United Nations Experience

May 10, 2016 • 6:30 p.m. at the Portage County Library
Mert Kartal and Students (Political Science)

Lectures begin at 6:30 p.m.
Portage County Library
Pinery Room
1001 Main Street
Stevens Point, WI
715-346-1548

For more information or
to view past lectures, please visit:
www.uwsp.edu/cols/lectureseries

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**Campus Constitution Day
Event for 2015
September 15, Karin Fry**

**COLS 2015-16
Community
Lecture Series
(Tuesdays, SP Public
Library, 6:30pm)**

*Being taped this year
for the WPT's
University Place!!*



COLS Faculty Forums- Wed/Thurs 4:00p

Dates

10/8 - Th

11/11 - W -

12/2 - W

2/11 - Th

3/9 - W

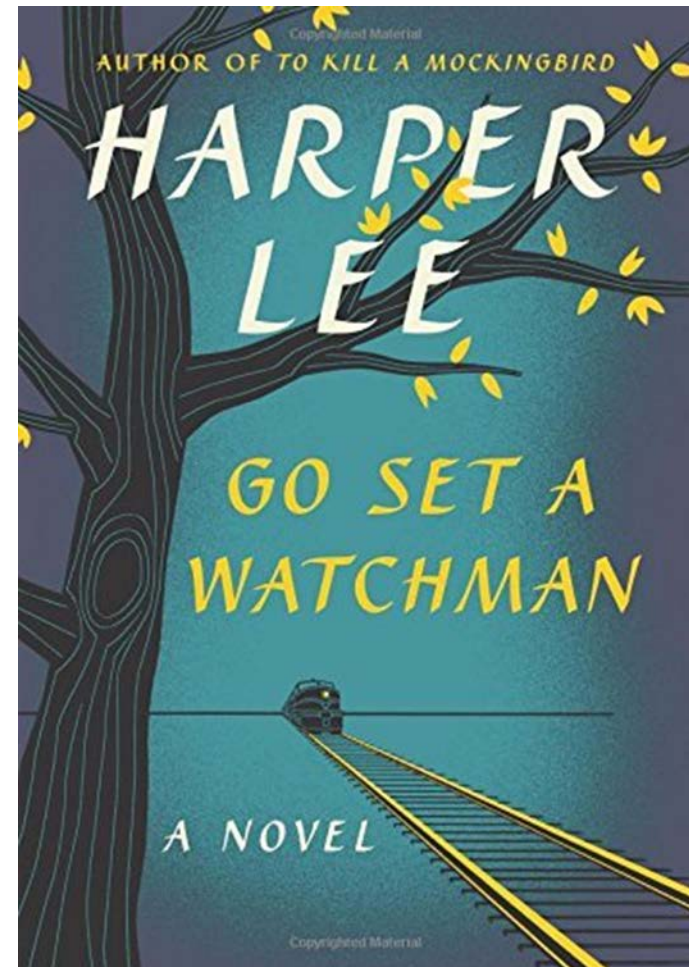
4/14 - Th

5/5 - Th

The Once and Future Harper Lee:
What, When, and Why is *Go Set a Watchman*?

David Arnold (English)

Wed, Nov 11 4 pm 321 CCC



ACADEMIC AFFAIRS and UNIVERSITY BUDGET UPDATE

- **Provost Greg Summers...**



BUDGET

COLS Reductions:

FY 16 /\$618,678

FY 17 /\$????

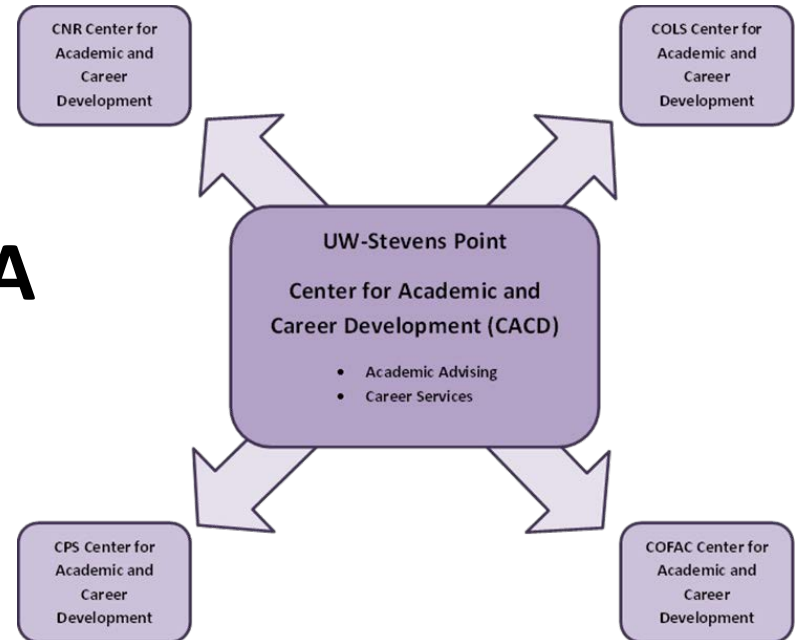
Ramifications...

- Losses of tenure-line faculty positions
- Losses of academic and classified staff
- Two-year temporary positions/curricular prioritizations
- Negotiating restorations of some positions and budget lines
- Five majors, one minor lost
- Travel, professional development, as per prior procedures
- Sabbaticals/Academic Fellowships/Institute for the Humanities - ?
- NADF funding reinstated; separate from GPR 102 Budget



Differential Tuition - Referendum

- **Katie Cronmiller (P) SGA**
- **Amy Vida (VP) SGA**



*Focus on Advising, Student Success,
Career Advising Services/COLS: Area Advisors*

General Education Program Updates

- Update- **GEP Director/Nancy LoPatin-Lummis**
- General Education Committee– **Chair/Alice Keefe**
- OPID Project on Argument Mapping – **Dona Warren**
- Mobile App Development Idea – **Tim Krause**



On-Line/Distance Education

- **Report and Recommendations to Provost - August 2013**
- **Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Approval -January 2015**
- **On-Line/Distance Education Implementation/Support Team**

Eric Simkins – Manager of Distance Education

Mary Mielke- Instructional Technology

Sean Ruppert – Instructional Technology

Kristi Roth – Director of Technology Innovation in T and L

Todd Huspeni - AVC

Technology Updates

- **Classroom Standardization Project in 12 rooms (campus initiative)**
- **Upgrade AV systems in CCC 303 & 321**
- **Upgraded computers in 12 rooms**
- **Document Camera Reconfiguration**



Social Media/Webpages/Marketing

Scott Tappa...

Social Media Workshop

URC Update

Website Management

Events



College Development and Philanthropy Update

Tony Romano...

*Capital Campaign Update
July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2019*



New Science Building...Progress



100% Design
September 2015
State Bidding
November 2015
Groundbreaking
December 2015?
Occupancy
2017-18?

Steering Committee

Jim Lawrence

Bob Bell

Robin Tanke

Karin Bodensteiner

Paul Hladky

John Hardy

Kevin Czerwinski

Jennifer Bray

Bob Badger

Nancy Shefferly

Carl Rasmussen

George Acker

Chris Cirno

Newest Public/Private Partnership

Nelson Pade[®]
The Most Trusted Name in Aquaponics[®]



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The Aquaponics Innovation Center (AIC)

...in Montello, WI

Special Community Lecture on September 29...Portage Co Library



COLS Priorities/Initiatives

- Public/Private Partnerships – *Aquaponics/GIS/Sentry/Skyward*
- New Model for University/COLS Advising: Differential Tuition?
 - *Dean's Faculty Advisory Committee Recommendations*
 - *Department Point Person*
 - *Professional Area Advisors – Bio/SS/Hum/NSMCS*
- Strategic Initiative in Physical Sciences and Engineering –
 - *Chairs, URSCA Coordinator, Admissions, NSF Grant*
- Institute for Applied Ethics and Civil Discourse- *Spring Inaugural Event*
- Program Prioritization Implementation - *ongoing*
- Certificate and Interdisciplinary Offerings –*ongoing (e.g.,...)*
- Academy of Letters and Science/Curricular Advisory Councils...
- Social Media/Recruiting/Alumni Career Nights
- *Arts and Humanities Days – with COFAC*
(the STEM/STEAM/STORM!)

New Faces in the College

Tenure- Line

Tomi Heimonen (CMNT)

Daehee (Danny) Kim (CNMT)

Steven Suehring (CNMT)

Michael Olsen (WLL)

Academic Staff

Jason Zinser (Philosophy)

Christine Koeller (GIS Center)

Juli Bowling (Chemistry)

Heather Meggers-Wright (Psychology)

Tongtong Zhang (Mathematics)

Gretchen Renfert (Mathematics)

John Zaborsky (Biology)

Benjamin Fischer (CNMT)

Kate Kipp (Soc/Social Work)

Eric Olmanson (Geog/Geol)

Yu Jin Kim (CNMT)

Remembering Sally...



What We do...More Intentionally

- **Selling the Liberal Arts and Sciences**
as the key to Social and Economic
Mobility!
- **The buzzwords:**
 - *Tenure*
 - *Sabbatical*
 - *Shared Governance*
 - *Academic Freedom*
 - *Liberal Arts and Sciences*



Morale Building in COLS

IDEAS, THOUGHTS, EVENTS...?

I NEED YOUR ADVICE...

- *COLS Socials @ PJs*
- *Dean's Open Hours in CPS Café?*
 - *Arm wrestling the first five minutes!*



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Please be a source of

Compassion, Kindness, Positivity

to our new students and colleagues



Dean's Common "Read"





Please attend
University
Convocation,
Monday
10:30am!

Ron Strege -
keynote