Class Visitation Syllabus
Fall 2023: Wednesday

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AFST 306: Race and the Supernatural
Professor Bryan Schmidt
9:00 AM - 9:50 PM | Phi Beta Kappa Hall 115

How do magic, spirituality, myth, and the paranormal inform our understanding of race and identity? How do artists bring these supernatural elements to life on stage and screen? Students will learn from plays, music videos, and films to engage in a nuanced discussion about culture and imagination.

ARTH 100: Monuments of Asia
Professor Xin Conan-Wu
10 AM – 10:50 AM / Andrews Hall 201

Focusing on the art history and architecture of major world heritage sites in Asia, this course addresses the often-contested concepts of monument, collective memory, and regional identity. It introduces students to academic disciplines related to the issue of cultural conservation.

About Professor Conan-Wu
Professor Conan-Wu’s teaching and research bridge art history and contemporary inquiries with a comparative perspective of East-West encounters. The main interest of her scholarship rests upon the representation of nature, in both its two-dimensional forms of paintings, prints and maps, and its three-dimensional forms of gardens, environmental art and designed landscapes. She holds advanced degrees from the UK, Canada and China, and publishes in both English and Chinese.

About Professor Schmidt
Bryan (pronouns: he/him) is a Visiting Assistant Professor of Theatre at William & Mary. He received his PhD from the University of Minnesota’s Theatre Historiography program, and previously taught at St. Olaf College. He also holds an MA in Theatre Studies from Florida State University. His scholarship works at the intersection of aesthetics, race, and cultural policy, with an emphasis on festivals and immersive theatrical events. He is also a performance practitioner with an emphasis on devised, site-specific work.
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GOVT 329: International Security
Professor Dennis Smith
10:00 - 10:50pm | Ewell Hall 151

Examines traditional concerns about the use and management of force in the nuclear age, as well as new security problems, such as the proliferation of chemical and biological weapons, environmental issues and the political economy of national security.

About Professor Smith
Dennis Alcides Velazco Smith received his B.A. in Political Science from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1995 and his Ph.D. in Foreign Affairs from The University of Virginia in 2007. His research interests include: strategic studies, coercion, and regime change. In addition to teaching in the Department of Government and International Relations Program, he is co-director of William & Mary’s Project on International Peace and Security (PIPS). PIPS is an undergraduate think tank housed at the Global Research Institute, which aims to produce rigorous and original foreign policy analysis for the U.S. national security community.

RELG 308: Buddhism and Mysticism
Professor Kevin Vose
2 - 3:20pm | Wren Building 204

This course will examine a range of scholarly, theoretical approaches to understanding the nature of “mystical experience” and to studying practices that are intended to produce it. The bulk of the course will investigate Buddhist contemplative practices drawn from the South Asian, Himalayan, and Japanese traditions, using both textual and ethnographic sources. We will further explore Buddhist views on the nature of the mind, human experience, and the aims of religious practice to evaluate the relationship between Buddhism and mysticism.

About Professor Vose
Kevin Vose studies the transmission of Sanskrit Buddhist philosophical traditions from India to Tibet and the formation of Tibetan Buddhist scholastic traditions. His publications center around the development and interpretation of the “Middle Way” school of Buddhist philosophy, which came to be regarded as the highest expression of the Buddha’s teachings. Vose’s work examines the philosophical, historical, and social processes that led to the Middle Way school’s ascension. His work focuses on a collection of 11th and 12th century Tibetan manuscripts that was discovered in one of the few libraries to survive the Cultural Revolution in Tibet and that provides a wealth of information on the formative period of Tibetan Buddhism.
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CHEM 103: General Chemistry 1
Professor Katelynn Perrault
11 AM - 12:20 PM / Integrated Science Center 1127

For science majors and pre-health science students. A study of the nature of atoms and molecules, the periodic table, chemical bonding and reactions, thermochemistry, states of matter, solutions, and equilibrium.

About Professor Perrault

Dr. Katelynn A. Perrault, Assistant Professor in Chemistry, holds a Ph.D. in Forensic Analytical Chemistry from the University of Technology, Sydney and performed postdoctoral research at the University of Liège in Belgium. She previously taught and did research in Forensic Chemistry at Chaminade University of Honolulu before coming to William & Mary. Prof. Perrault’s research focuses on the chemical analysis of odors using multidimensional chromatography in forensic science, biomedical sensing, natural product analysis and other life science applications.

ENSP 101: Intro to Environment & Sustainability
Professors Randy Chambers & Dan Maliniak
11 AM - 12:20 PM / Ewell Hall 107

This team-taught interdisciplinary course brings together perspectives and approaches to environmental problems from natural sciences, social sciences, and humanities. Examines key environmental concepts by exploring case studies such as pollution and contamination disputes, ecosystem management in the Chesapeake Bay, and biodiversity.

About Professors Chambers & Maliniak

Professor Daniel Maliniak received his BA from William & Mary in Government (with highest honors) and Economics, and his Ph.D. in Political Science at the University of California, San Diego. He teaches courses in international relations, focusing on international political economy and the environment. He is a principal investigator on the Teaching, Research and International Policy (TRIP) program.

Randy Chambers, is the director of the W.M. Keck Environmental Field Laboratory. His areas of research include Wetlands Ecology and Biogeochemistry.
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BUAD 456: Advertising & Digital Marketing
Professor Dawn Edmiston
12:30 - 1:50 PM / Miller Hall 1077

A study of how to use advertising and marketing communications, with special emphasis on digital media, to build and sustain relationships with consumers. Development of an integrated marketing communication campaign will emphasize the presentation of products to consumers through relevant media to include digital channels. Target market identification, situation analysis, promotional strategy and tactics, and evaluation within budgetary constraints will be stressed.

ECON 324: Economics of US Health Policy
Professor Jennifer Mellor
12:30-1:50 PM / Chancellors Hall 134

Economics plays an important role in the design of public policies that address problems in the U.S. healthcare system. Economic theory and analysis can point public policymakers to the underlying causes of problems, help to design policy solutions, and evaluate the effects of implemented policies. This course provides an introduction to the use of economics to address major health policy problems. After a review of the U.S. healthcare system’s general structure and historical development, the course focuses on two major topics: how is healthcare financed, and what drives growth in healthcare spending? In both areas, we will examine economic analysis of past, present, and future public policy to improve financial access to healthcare and lower the rate of growth of healthcare spending.

About Professor Edmiston
Dr. Dawn Edmiston is the Clinical Professor of Marketing. Prior to her career in academia, Dawn held marketing management roles with IBM, Pricewaterhouse-Coopers Management Consulting Services and Discovery Communications. Her educational background includes two doctorate degrees, a D.M. from University of Maryland University College with Phi Kappa Phi honors and an Ed.D. from William & Mary with Kappa Delta Pi honors. In addition, Dawn holds an M.B.A. from Columbia Business School, a B.S. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and an A.A. from Elmira College.

About Professor Mellor
Jennifer Mellor received a B.A. in economics from La Salle University and a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Maryland at College Park. She currently directs William & Mary’s Schroeder Center for Health Policy. Prior to joining the William & Mary faculty, she was a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Scholar at Yale University. Professor Mellor has published numerous studies on the social determinants of health, recessions and health, health risk behaviors, child obesity, and the use of economics experiments to measure risk preferences.
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PUBP 390: Global Pathways
Professor Ryan Musto
Tuesday/Thursday 2 - 3:20 PM
Global Research Institute (427 Scotland St)

This course will explore the intersection of academic research and public policy to tackle some of the world’s most pressing challenges. Drawing upon William & Mary’s global expertise, this course will introduce students to topics that span a range of challenges and opportunities for our collective future. It will also introduce students to decision making processes in foreign policy. This course will provide intellectual contexts for future research and public policy analysis. Guest speakers from across campus will be invited to lend their insight.

*Directions: From College Corner (the "V"-shaped intersection of Jamestown and Richmond Roads), proceed straight onto Boundary Street and go two blocks. You will cross Prince George Street (near Aromas Coffee) and continue for the second block. Turn right on Scotland Street and the house is in the middle at 427 between the dark green house on the left and brick apartments on the right.

MUSC 370: African American Spiritual
Professor Daniel Parks
Wednesday 2 – 2:50 PM / Music Building 217

This course will be of special interest to those wishing to learn more about the rich history of a uniquely American musical tradition. We will study the spiritual in its social, political and racial dimensions with an emphasis on the role that African American student singing groups in Tennessee and Virginia’s Tidewater region played in the dissemination of the spiritual world-wide. Members of the seminar will explore original documents and recordings in regional archives, particularly at Hampton University, where the Hampton Institute Singers were among the first to sing and promote the concert spiritual.

About Professor Musto
Ryan Musto is the Director of Forums and Research Initiatives. He provides intellectual leadership to a variety of GRI research initiatives and leads the conceptual development and coordination of forums that integrate academic and policy audiences. By training, Ryan is a U.S. and Latin American diplomatic historian with concentrations in nuclear and Cold War international history.

About Professor Parks
Daniel Edward Parks is a Visiting Instructor of Music and Choral Conducting at William & Mary and the Interim Director of Choirs. He holds a doctoral degree in choral conducting and literature from the University of Colorado Boulder. He also holds degrees from the University of Minnesota and Lawrence University. As an educator, he taught choral music, voice, and music theater at the middle and high schools levels in Wisconsin for five years. As a professional ensemble singer, he has performed with Alium Spiritum, Solis Singers, the Boulder Chorale, the Minnesota Chorale, Border CrossSing, and Weimar Bach Cantata Academy.
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BIOL 100: Memory, Learning and Teaching
Professor Paul Heideman
9 - 9:50 AM / Integrated Science Center 1111

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About Professor Heideman

Professor Paul Heideman’s areas of specialization include ecological and evolutionary physiology, the variation of neuroendocrine pathways, the environmental regulation of reproduction in mammals, and seasonal rhythms. His education includes a B.A. from Central College, Iowa, a M.S & Ph.D. from University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, and a Postdoctoral from Smithsonian Institution & University of Texas at Austin.