# Provost's Report

Board of Visitors February 8, 2018



# Faculty Innovation

- COLL curriculum
- Creative Adaptation Fund
- OMBA, MSBA
- Reveley Interdisciplinary Fellows

## W. Taylor Reveley III Interdisciplinary Fellows

- Established in 2015 through a \$2.6 million grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation in honor of President Reveley's long and distinguished service on its Board.
- Goal: to stimulate intellectual creativity across the campus by facilitating faculty commitment to interdisciplinary teaching and research.
- Focus: integrative and interdisciplinary teaching, and generating new scholarship.

#### Reveley Fellows Activities

- Reveley Faculty Fellows serve for a three-year period and receive a modest stipend to collaboratively develop a new course in the first year and teach it in the second and third. Schools receive funds to cover "lost" courses.
- Faculty teams are chosen based on creativity of proposal; ability of applicants to carry it out in the allotted time period; impact on the curriculum and the campus intellectual community; likelihood of success; depth of integration between/across areas; and potential to lead to future scholarship/research. Preference is given to proposals that cross school (and not only department) boundaries, and that help to advance the institution's strategic priorities.
- Periodic campus workshops on Fellows' projects.

## **Current Reveley Fellows**

The first year twelve Fellows (six pairs of collaborators) were selected; in subsequent years up to four Fellows to be selected.

- Annie Blazer (Religious Studies), Jaime Settle (Gov't)
   Social and Cultural Signaling in Contemporary America
- Daniel Parker (English/Linguistics), Maurits van der Veen (Gov't)
   Language and Text Analysis in a World of Big Data
- Betsy Konefal (History/Latin America), Silvia Tandeciarz (Hispanic Studies)

  State Terror and Its Memory: Argentina and Guatemala Then and Now
- **Dorothy Ibes** (Environ. Science), **Tanya Stadelmann** (Film & Media Studies) Communicating Environmental Science with Documentary Film

#### Current Reveley Fellows

- John Riofrio (Hispanic Studies), Jeremy Stoddard (Education)
   Unequal by Design: Race and Education in the U.S.
- Ryan Vinroot (Math), Lee Alexander (English)

  Literally Mathematics: The Use of Mathematics in Literature, Film and other

  Genres
- Brent Kaup (Sociology), Oliver Kerscher (Biology), Matthias Leu (Biology)
   Landscapes of Exposure: The Making of Tick-Borne Disease
- Jennifer Stevens (Psychology), Elizabeth Mead (Art & Art History)
   The Creative and Perceptual Process of Art