The College of Arts and Letters is a liberal arts college—focused on cultivating understanding of the arts, humanities, and social sciences. The College is also at the heart of a research university—supportive of faculty and student efforts to be original, creative scholars. And, the College is deeply Catholic—embracing diversity of thought and encouraging faculty and students to use their gifts to build a vibrant, distinctive community tied to one of the world’s great intellectual traditions.

Nothing is more important to any of our aspirations than the quality of our hiring decisions. Faculty accomplishments—teaching our students, advancing research—determine our academic reputation. Their collaborative spirit allows us to better educate our students and build new programs and better departments. Their support for the University’s mission enables its standing as the premier Catholic research university. This brochure describes the new faculty who have joined the College of Arts and Letters this year. You will see they are an unusually accomplished group. Please join me in welcoming them to the College.

ANTHROPOLOGY

**Porter, Natalie** (M.A., Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison) *Assistant Professor*

Porter is a medical anthropologist specializing in multispecies ethnography and the anthropology of science, technology, and medicine. Her regional foci include Southeast Asia and parts of the United States and Europe, where she explores how pandemic disease threats transform scientific knowledge, global health practice, and human-animal relationships. She has numerous publications, one of which is: “Ferreting Things out: Biosecurity, Pandemic Flu and the Transformation of Experimental Systems.” (BioSocieties. Advanced Online Publication 30 March 2015. doi: 10.1057/biosoc.2015.4)

ART, ART HISTORY AND DESIGN

**Elwell, Michael** (M.F.A., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign) *Assistant SPF*

Elwell’s interest focuses on social entrepreneurship.

**Minor, Heather Hyde** (M.A., Ph.D., Princeton University) *Associate Professor*

Minor’s research focuses on early modern art and
architecture. She is especially interested in baroque Rome. Her books include *The Culture of Architecture in Enlightenment Rome* (Penn State University Press,) and *Piranesi’s Lost Words* (Penn State University Press).

**Schreffler, Michael** (M.A., Arizona State University; Ph.D., University of Chicago) *Associate Professor*

Schreffler’s research centers on the art and architecture of Spain and Latin America in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. He is the author of *The Art of Allegiance: Visual Culture and Imperial Power in Baroque New Spain* (Penn State Press, 2007), a study of the ways in which paintings and architecture were involved in the Spanish Crown’s governance of the viceroyalty of New Spain from its capital, Mexico City. He has published a number of articles in scholarly journals examining the ways in which representation—in the form of visual images, architectural ornament, and descriptive texts—facilitated change in the early modern Spanish world.

**CLASSICS**

**Bronson, Catherine** (M.A., Ph.D., University of Chicago) *Assistant SPF*

**ECONOMICS**

**Baumeister, Christiane** (M.A., University of Siena, Italy; M.Sc., Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium; Ph.D., Ghent University, Belgium) *Assistant Professor*

Baumeister’s interests include the study of time-varying macroeconomic relationships with applications to the global oil market and the effects of conventional and unconventional monetary policies. She has worked extensively on forecasting the real price of oil. Her recent research focuses on Bayesian inference in structural vector autoregressions.

**Gibbs, Chloe** (M.A., Ph.D., University of Chicago) *Assistant Professor*

Gibbs studies the economics of education and child and family policy, particularly the impact of early childhood investments and interventions on children living in poverty. She has published about the Head Start program in an edited volume on the War on Poverty, and has a forthcoming article on parent involvement in early childhood education at *Perspectives on Psychological Science*. Her dissertation...
has been recognized with awards from the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management and the Association for Education Finance and Policy, and her research has been cited by CNN.com, Education Week, TIME, The Washington Post, and the President’s Council of Economic Advisors.

**Spence, Forrest** (B.S., University of South Carolina; Ph.D., University of North Carolina) *Assistant SPF*

Spence’s primary research agenda is to examine how consumers learn about features of markets and how this affects consumer and firm decision-making. This includes research into consumers’ beliefs about price distributions, the relationship between these beliefs and experience, firms’ ability to price discriminate on consumer experience, consumers’ search behavior within a market, and learning both within and across search decisions.

**Stangebye, Zachary** (M.S., Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania) *Assistant Professor*

Stangebye’s interests are International Finance and Macroeconomic Finance.

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**ENGLISH**

**Newman, Ian** (M.A., University of Cambridge; M.A., Ph.D., University of California Los Angeles) *Assistant Professor*

Newman’s interests are in eighteenth and nineteenth-century British and Irish Literature, popular radicalism, sociability, and popular song.

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**FILM, TELEVISION, AND THEATRE**

**Kackman, Michael** (M.A, Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison) *Associate SPF*

Kackman's primary teaching and research interests include the history of US television, American national culture and identity, and popular history and memory practices. He is the author of “Citizen Spy: Television, Espionage, and Cold War Culture” (Minnesota, 2005), and co-editor of “Flow TV: Television in the Age of Media Convergence” (Routledge, 2010) and, with Mary Celeste Kearney, “The Craft of Criticism: Critical Media Studies in Practice” (under contract, Routledge).

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**GERMAN/RUSSIAN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES**

**Donahue, William** (M.T.S., Harvard University, The Divinity School; M.A., Middlebury; Ph.D., Harvard University) *Endowed Professor; Chairperson, Department of German and Russian Languages and Literature*

Donahue is a scholar of German literature and Holocaust Studies. Currently he is working on a book project called "Literary Tripping Stones," a study that examines the oblique manner in which the Holocaust is typically presented in contemporary German literature: the Holocaust subplot, or reference, functions analogously to the small, but meaningful "Stolpersteine" (commemorative paving stones) embedded in--and sometimes obscured by--larger walkways and
sidewalks throughout Germany. A second project focuses on the way in which canonical novels of German "poetic realism" (of the latter 19th century) offer a tentative "entente cordiale" between the sacred and secular, often by staging an implicit conversation with Christian scripture. He is the author of The End of Modernism (2001) and of Holocaust as Fiction (2010), which appeared in German as Holocaust Lite (2011). He co-founded (with Martha Helfer) the Biennial German Jewish Studies Conference and the book series Nexus: Essays in German Jewish Studies.

GLYNN FAMILY HONORS PROGRAM

Dolcich-Ashley, Anselma (M.S.,Georgetown University; M.Div., Weston Jesuit School of Theology; Ph.D., University of Notre Dame) Assistant SPF


HISTORY

Beihammer, Alex (Ph.D., University of Vienna) Associate Professor

Beihammer’s research interests focus on the middle and late Byzantine period and may be divided into three areas: Byzantine diplomacies and institutional history; diplomacy, communication, and cross-cultural exchange between Byzantium and the Muslim world; Byzantine-Frankish contacts in the crusader states and the Eastern Mediterranean. His publications include: Nachrichten zum byzantinischen Urkundenwesen in arabischen Quellen (565–811), Freie Universität Berlin, Byzantinisch-Neugriechisches Seminar, ΠΟΙΚΙΛΑ ΒΥΖΑΝΤΙΝΑ 17 (Bonn, 2000) and Griechische Briefe und Urkunden aus dem Zypern der Kreuzfahrerzeit. Die Formularsammlung eines königlichen Sekretärs im Vaticanus Palatinus Graecus 367, Zyprisches Forschungszentrum, Quellen und Studien zur Geschichte Zyperns 57 (Nicosia, 2007)

Candido, Mariana (M.A., El Colegio de México, Mexico City; Ph.D., York University, Toronto) Associate Professor

Candido’s areas of interest/research are African history, early colonialism; comparative slavery, the South Atlantic world, Black Atlantic, human trafficking, imperialism and gender, transatlantic connections and the African diaspora. Her recent publications are: "African Women in Benguela in Eclesiastical Documents, 1760-1860," Social Sciences and Missions 28 (2015), 1-26; “Engendering West Central African History: the role of urban women in Benguela in the

Daddi Addoun, Yacine (M.A., Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales; Ph.D., York University, Toronto) Assistant Professor

Dochuk, Darren (M.A., Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario; Ph.D., University of Notre Dame) Associate Professor


Köll, Elisabeth (M.A., University of Bonn, Germany; Ph.D., University of Oxford) Associate Professor

Köll’s areas of interest are: Business and Economic History of Greater China and East Asia, mid-19th century to the present; history of economic and business institutions in global perspective; comparative history of industrialization, technology transfer and engineering; infrastructure development, especially railroads.

Ragland, Evan (M.A., Ph.D., Indiana University, Bloomington) Assistant Professor

Most broadly, Ragland works on the development of widespread practices of experimentation in early modern Europe. His current book projects recover the central place of physicians in this shift toward experimentalist visions of the sciences and medicine, first by a dense study of the emergence of experimental culture at Leiden in the mid-seventeenth century, and then a survey of learned medical experimentation across Europe, 1500 to 1700. He also teaches and researches on the histories of science and religion and the senses. Among his publications are: Early Modern Medicine and Natural Philosophy (Springer, forthcoming fall 2015); “Mechanism, the Senses, and Reason: Franciscus Sylvius and Dutch Debates over Anatomical Knowledge after Harvey and Descartes,” in Early Modern Medicine and

MUSIC

Liberatore, John (M.M., Ph.D., Eastman School of Music) Assistant Professor

Music of composer John Liberatore has been performed in venues around the world: the Kennedy Center, Carnegie Hall, the Megaron Performing Arts Center (Athens), the American Cultural Institute of Peru, Sint-Germanskurk (Belgium), the International Viola Congress, and many others. His music explores intersections between ancient and modern styles, as well as metaphors between music, poetry, and other art media. His works has been championed by such ensembles and organizations as the Washington National Opera, Dinosaur Annex, and the New York Virtuoso Singers. Notable distinctions include a commission from the American Opera Initiative, a Tanglewood composer's fellowship, two ASCAP Morton Gould Awards, the Brian Israel Prize, and a Presser Music Award, which funded a 10-week residency in Tokyo in the private studio of composer Jo Kondo.

PHILOSOPHY

Cory, Therese (M.A., Ph.D., Catholic University of America, Washington D.C.) Assistant Professor

Cory’s research is medieval theories of cognition and human nature, focusing especially on Thomas Aquinas and his sources. Her current projects examine themes such as self-consciousness, subjectivity, personal identity, intentionality, and models of the mind. A particular area of interest is how philosophy in the Arabic-speaking world influenced Latin Western thought in the thirteenth-century. Among her publications are Aquinas on Human Self-Knowledge, Cambridge University Press, 2013; “Diachronically Unified Consciousness in Augustine and Aquinas.” Vivarium 50 (2012): 354–81; “Rethinking Abstractionism: Aquinas’s Intellectual Light and Some Arabic Sources.” Journal of the History of Philosophy, October 2015, forthcoming

Teh, Nicholas (M.A., University of Pittsburgh; Ph.D., University of Cambridge) Assistant Professor

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Koesel, Karrie (M.A., University of Notre Dame; M.A., Ph.D., Cornell University) Associate Professor

Koesel’s interests are in Religion and Politics; Democracy and Dictatorship; Comparative Authoritarianism; Chinese and Russian Politics. She is the author of Religion and Authoritarianism: Cooperation, Conflict, and the Consequences(Cambridge University Press, 2014), and her work has appeared in Perspectives on Politics, The China Quarterly, Politics and Religion, Economics and Society, and Post-Soviet Affairs. She is currently working on a new

**Wengle, Susanne** (M.A., Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley) Assistant Professor

Wengle’s main research interests concern the politics of markets regulations. Her book *Post-Soviet Power: State-led Development and Russia’s Marketization* (2015, Cambridge University Press) examines the political economy of newly created electricity markets in Russia, and more generally engages with questions how we study markets in the post-Soviet context and beyond. The empirical focus of her current project is agriculture and food production in Russia and the US; the aim is to understand how regulatory regimes shape food systems. Her articles have appeared in *Governance & Regulation*, *Studies in Comparative International Development*, *Economy and Society*, *Europe-Asia Studies*, *Chicago Policy Review* and the Russian Analytical Digest.

**PSYCHOLOGY**

**Liu, Cheng** (Ph.D., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign) Assistant Research Professor

Liu’s primary research interests are computational modeling and data mining, and their applications in psychology, biology and computer engineering. In particular, he is interested in computational and statistical modeling of neurological and biological processes, intelligent decision-making, neural network, and applications of data mining approaches to large-scale educational and psychological assessment data. Liu has co-authored numerous publications among which are: “Standard error of ability estimates and the classification accuracy and consistency of binary decisions in linear and adaptive testing.” *Psychometrika*. DOI:10.1007/s11336-014-9407-z (in press); “An eye-tracking study of Java programmers and application to source code summarization” *IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering*. DOI:10.1109/TSE.2015.2442238” (in press); “Agriculture Data for All: Integrated Tools for Agriculture Data Integration, Analytics and Sharing” *BigData 2014*, June 27-July 2, 2014, Anchorage, Alaska, US.

**ROMANCE LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES**

**Haake, CSC, Gregory** (M.Div., University of Notre Dame; M.A., Middlebury College; Ph.D., Stanford University) Assistant Professor

Fr. Greg Haake works on the intersection of literature, politics, and religion in sixteenth century France. His recently completed dissertation, entitled *Winning Words: The Efficacy of Literary Discourse in Politics During the French Wars of Religion (1562-1598)*, concentrates on the manipulation of meaning for political ends, a dynamic that extended to poetry, theater, history, and other literature of the period. His most recent article, entitled "L'imagerie mariale dans Délie : Une réponse à Pétrarque," is on the lyric love poetry of Maurice Scève, and while this continues to be an area of focus for him, he has more recently begun examining notions of equality in the literature of the early modern period.
**Lund, Joshua** (M.A., Ph.D., University of Minnesota)  
*Associate Professor*

Lund’s interests include Latin American literature, film and cultural politics. His regional specialization is Mexico, Brazil, Colombia. Some recent research topics include transnational and historical film; the culture and aesthetics of paramilitarism; aesthetic practices and capitalist development; race and space; sovereignty.

**Valterza, Loren** (M.A., Ph.D., Rutgers University) *Assistant SPF*


**THEOLOGY**

**Anatolios, Khaled** (M.A., University of St. Michael’s College, Toronto; Ph.D., Boston College) *Professor*

Anatolios studies all aspects of the theology of the early Church. Special areas of interest include the Trinitarian and Christological doctrines of the Greek fathers and Augustine; early Christian biblical exegesis; the engagement between early Christian theological reflection and contemporary questions and concerns; and modern Orthodox and Eastern Christian theology. He was recently awarded a Henry Luce III Fellowship in Theology for which he is completing a manuscript tentatively entitled, *Deification Through the Cross. An Eastern Christian Soteriology.* Among his list of publications are: *The Holy Trinity in the Life of the Church,* Baker Academic, 2014; *Retrieving Nicaea: The Development and Meaning of Trinitarian Doctrine;* Baker Academic, 2011.

**Jensen, Robin** (M.A., Ph.D., Columbia University) *Endowed Professor*

Trained in both the history of art and the history of Christian doctrine and liturgy, Jensen’s teaching and research explores the intersections among early Christian theology, liturgical practice, and material/visual culture.

**Lincicum, David** (M.A., Wheaton College; Ph.D., University of Oxford, United Kingdom) *Associate Professor*

Lincicum’s research focuses on the intersection of early Jewish, early Christian, and New Testament studies, and specifically attempts to grapple seriously, in cross-disciplinary investigations, with Second Temple Judaism, the formation of self-consciously Christian appropriations of the
Old Testament, and the Bible's role in intellectual history. His first book, *Paul and the Early Jewish Encounter with Deuteronomy* (Mohr Siebeck, 2010), received a Lautenschlaeger Award for Theological Promise. He has published articles in journals such as the *Studia Philonica Annual*, the *Journal of Theological Studies*, and the *Journal for the Study of Judaism*.

**VISITING FACULTY**

**ANTHROPOLOGY**
Golitko, Mark (M.A., Ph.D., University of Illinois at Chicago) *Visiting Assistant Professor*

**ART, ART HISTORY AND DESIGN**
Robinson, Bryce (M.F.A., Washington University in St. Louis) *Visiting Assistant SPF*

**CENTER FOR PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION**
Bergmann, Michael (M.A., University of Waterloo; Ph.D., University of Notre Dame) *Visiting Research Professor*

McDonough, Jeffrey (M.A., Syracuse University; Ph.D., University of California, Irvine) *Visiting Research Professor*

**ENGLISH**
Betz, Laura (M.A., University of Virginia; Ph.D., University of Maryland) *Visiting Assistant SPF*

**GERMAN/ RUSSIAN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURE**
Karpukhin, Sergey (M.A., University of Virginia; Ph.D., University of Wisconsin, Madison) *Visiting Assistant SPF*

**ROMANCE LANGUAGES & LITERATURES**
Haileselassie, Azeb (M.A., Université de Toulouse le Mirail-France; Ph.D. (forthcoming), University of Illinois at Urbana) *Visiting Assistant Professor*

Jones, Heather (M.A., Indiana University South Bend) *Visiting Assistant SPF*

**INCOMING FELLOWS**

**CENTER FOR ETHICS AND CULTURE**
Moreland, Anna Bonta  *Mysers Visiting Research Fellow* (2015-2016)

Villanova University

Moreland, Michael  *Mary Ann Remick Senior Visiting Research Fellow* (2015-2016)

Villanova University School of Law

**KELLOGG INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES**
Arjona, Ana, Ph.D., Yale University

Department of Political Science, Northwestern University (Spring 2015)
Bob Baulch; PhD., Stanford University
Department of Economics, RMIT University Vietnam
(Fall 2015)

Simona Beretta, MSc, London School of Economics and
Political Science
Department of International Economics, Università Cattolica
del Sacro Cuore, Milan
(Spring 2016)

Maria Clara Bingemer, Brazilian Fulbright Distinguished
Chair on Democracy and Human Development
Ph.D., Pontifical Gregorian University
Department of Theology, Pontificia Universidade Católica do
Rio de Janeiro
(Spring 2016)

Luigi Crema, Joint Ph.D., Universities of Milan and Geneva
Department of Italian and Supranational Public Law,
Università degli Studi di Milano
(Spring 2016)

Kristin McKie, Ph.D., Cornell University
Departments of Government and African Studies, St.
Lawrence University
(AY2015-2016)

Olukunle Owolabi, Ph.D., University of Notre Dame
Department of Political Science, Villanova University
(Spring 2016)

Mercedes Prieto, Ph.D., University of Florida
Department of Anthropology, FLACSO, Sede Ecuador
(Fall 2015)

George Tsebelis, Ph.D., Washington University in St. Louis
Department of Political Science, University of Michigan
(AY2015-2016)

KEOUGH-NAUGHTON INSTITUTE FOR IRISH STUDIES
Thomas Bartlett, Fellow and Visiting Professor
PhD University of Aberdeen
(Fall 2015)

Liam Lanigan, Research Scholar, National Endowment for
the Humanities Fellow
Ph.D University College Dublin
(Fall 2015)

Barry McGovern, Visiting Fellow and Actor in Residence
Honoarary Litt.D. Trinity College Dublin
(Fall 2015)

JOAN B. KROC INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL
PEACE STUDIES
Selina Galio-Cruz, Visiting Research Fellow
College of Holy Cross
(Fall 2015)

Barbara Koremenos, Visiting Research Fellow
University of Michigan
(AY2015-2016)
Emily Rosser, Visiting Research Fellow
York University, Toronto, Canada
(AY2015-2016)

NANOVIC INSTITUTE
Father Boguslaw Migut, Visiting Fellow
Chair of Liturgical Theology and Spirituality, Catholic University of Lublin, Poland
(Fall 2015)

Svitlana Hurkina, Visiting Fellow
Deputy Director of the Institute of Church History, Ukrainian Catholic University
(Fall 2015)

NOTRE DAME INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY (NDIAS)
Laura E. Bland, Graduate Student Fellow at the NDIAS
University of Notre Dame
“Unfriendly Skies: The Comet of 1680 in the Spanish and English Empires”
(2015-2016)

Diego De Brasi, Residential Fellow at the NDIAS
University of Marburg, Germany
“The Relation of Body, Mind and Soul in Lactantius’ De opificio Dei, Gregory of Nyssa’s De hominis opificio and Nemesios of Emesa’s De nagtura hominis”
(2015-2016)

Bjarne Sode Funch, Templeton Fellow at the NDIAS
Roskilde University, Denmark
“An Existential-Phenomenological Study of Artistic Creativity”
(2015-2016)

Ilana Gershon, Residential Fellow at the NDIAS
Indiana University
“Getting a Job in the Digital Age”
(2015-2016)

Kevin G. Grove, Residential Fellow at the NDIAS
University of Cambridge, UK
“Memory and the Whole Christ: Augustine and the Psalms”
(2015-2016)

Tomáš Halík, Templeton Fellow at the NDIAS
Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic
(Fall 2015)

Lawrence O. Hall, Residential Fellow at the NDIAS
University of South Florida
“Mining ‘Big Data’ for Small and Impactful Nuggets”
(Fall 2015)

David Bentley Hart, Templeton Fellow at the NDIAS
St. Louis University
“Mind and Nature, Soul and Machine”
(2015-2016)
Mary M. Keys, Residential Fellow at the NDIAS
University of Notre Dame
“Pride, Politics, and Philosophy: The City of God and Augustin’s Apologia for Humility”
(Spring 2016)

Henrike Moll, Templeton Fellow at the NDIAS
University of Southern California
“Towards a Transformative Account of Human Cognition”
(2015-2016)

Jaime M. Pensado, Residential Fellow at the NDIAS
University of Notre Dame
“Catholic Youth in Cold War Mexico”
(2015-2016)

Aleta Quinn, Residential Fellow at the NDIAS
University of Pittsburgh
“Hypotheses and Inference in Biological Systematics”
(Fall 2015)

Otto Santa Ana, Templeton Fellow at the NDIAS
University of California Los Angeles
“Toward Consilience in our Accounting of Human Laughter and Humor”
(2015-2016)