# Emeritus Academy Office of Academic Affairs The Ohio State University

**Annual Report 2019-2020** 

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- (1) Emeritus Academy Competitive Grants Program
- (2) Emeritus Academy Lecture Series
- (3) Emeritus Academy Steering Committee
- (4) Membership in the Emeritus Academy
- (5) the impact of Covid-19 on Emeritus Academy activities

#### (1) Emeritus Academy Competitive Grants Program

During normal academic years, the EA grants are awarded twice, with the first round during the Autumn semester, and the second round during the Spring semester. Each individual grant award may be up to \$2,500.00. Awards depend on the availability of funds, typically more limited in the Spring semester round than in the Autumn Semester round. The Spring semester competition exists mainly to cover opportunities that present themselves too late for consideration in Autumn.

In Autumn 2018 an online proposal submission was introduced, and revised for the Autumn semester, 2019 competition. This online proposal format generates a pdf for the Steering Committee members to read and evaluate. While there were a few changes needed to make the submission more user-friendly, the committee found the proposals more specific on projected expenditures and explanations about the proposed work.

Members are eligible to receive grant funding only once per calendar year. Applicants must be members of the Emeritus Academy and give OSU as the affiliation for their professional activity, such as peer-reviewed publications, associated with grant activity. Individuals who have accepted faculty appointments elsewhere after retirement are not eligible for grants.

As stated on the Emeritus Academy web page: "These grants are designed to support research, scholarship, and creative activity by Emeritus Academy members. Grants may be used for research-related travel and receipted expenses (e.g., fieldwork for a research project); presentation of research at an academic conference; research or administrative assistance; reproduction and data processing costs; research services; payment to human subjects; purchase of relevant materials, software, small equipment, creative instruments, and supplies; and other related activities. Due to limited resources, this program cannot provide annual funding to support continuing projects. Grants may not be used for the faculty member's salary, office computers, travel from an out-of-state residence to Ohio State, or support for student stipends and student research at either the undergraduate or graduate level. Grants for travel may cover transportation and hotel but not per diem. Applications are evaluated by the Emeritus Academy Steering Committee."

EA members must book airline tickets through the Travel Office and are reminded of CITI training for human subjects research and RCR (Responsible Conduct of Research) training.

The Office of Academic Affairs provided \$30,000 for 2019-2020 grants. However, due to the impact of Covid-19, only Autumn Semester grants were approved. The Spring Semester round of competition was postponed before a call for proposals was sent out.

In reviewing the proposals from the Autumn Semester, the Steering Committee continues to be impressed by the many EA members engaged in exciting and important research, creative activity, and in advancing the reputation of The Ohio State University by their work, even after they have retired. While our grants are not the equivalent of ongoing departmental support for faculty professional development, we are pleased that we can offer even occasional and limited support for such robust research and creative programs.

Fourteen grants, totaling \$25,910, were submitted for Autumn 2019. Eleven grants were funded at a total of \$20,459.

Name	Title	Amount funded
Beck, Paul	Travel to 2020 annual conference of the World Association for Public Opinion Research (Salamanca, Spain)	\$2,090
Beja, Morris	Presentation at the International James Joyce Symposium, Trieste, Italy	\$2,500
Dean, Angela	Present an Invited Talk at the Spring Research Conference of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics and the American Statistical Association (Oakland University, Rochester, Michigan)	\$1,1,09
Debard, Mark	Master Gardener Student Program	\$300
Donnermeyer, Joseph F.	Keynote presentation at the International Conference on Criminal Justice and Security in Central and Eastern Europe (Ljubljana, Slovenia)	\$2,000
Gunther, Richard	The 2020 Comparative National Elections Project. American Election Survey	\$2,500 (pending confirmation of match)
Nelson, Ardine	Biological Diversity Collections in Dresden, Germany	\$2,500
Peterson, Bradley	Invited talk at Conference "Growing Black Holes: Accretion and Mergers" (Katmandu, Nepal)	\$1,424
Richardson, Laurel	Presentation at International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry (University of Illinois, Urban, Illinois)	\$1,1,56
Snow, Allison	The Ecology of Lyme Disease: Field Surveys on Nantucket, Massachusetts	\$2,380
Watson, Julia	Reimagining an Old Story for New Times in Miriam Katin's "Letting It Go."	\$2,500
Total		\$20,459

Of special note is the multiplier effect of EA grants. The stellar case is from Nancy Rogers in the College of Law and a member of the EA Steering during 2019-2020. The small grant she received in 2017 helped develop and implement activities that in turn provided part of the basis for demonstrating (through published research) investigator(s)' experience with and competence

in the subject matter of conflict resolution. Subsequently, over \$1 million in funding for the "Divided Community Project" was secured from the JAMS (Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services, Inc.) and other foundations. The Divided Community Project at the Moritz College of Law was founded in 2015 and since then, a number of other dispute resolution faculty and specialists from across the nation have joined as volunteers. To quote from the Divided Community website (<a href="https://moritzlaw.osu.edu/dividedcommunityproject/project-designers/who-we-are/">https://moritzlaw.osu.edu/dividedcommunityproject/project-designers/who-we-are/</a>): "The DCP's initial focus was to transform the insights and lessons of dispute resolution interveners into tangible principles, guidelines, and suggestions that local public officials and community leaders could immediately deploy to strengthen their broad-based capacity to meet..." the challenges of "...tensions, unrest and civil discord – from Sanford, Baltimore, and Ferguson to Dallas and Orlando..."

Due to the impact of Covid-19, all grants awarded during the Autumn, 2019 round, with monies to be spent during the 2020 calendar year, were extended for an additional year (through 2021). This decision was agreed to by OAA upon request of the Steering Committee. Many grant recipients who had plans for presentation of research and creative activities at conferences both in the U.S. and other countries were cancelled or postponed.

#### (2) Emeritus Academy Lecture Series

The monthly EA lectures, open to the public and advertised in a variety of campus venues, continues to be very successful. The audience regularly includes students and faculty from the speakers' home departments and others from the university community, as well as many members of the Academy. The lectures and informal receptions that precede and follow them provide an opportunity for people from different disciplines to meet and form collegial relationships. In planning the series, the Steering Committee invites the EA membership to volunteer to give lectures. The speakers continue to represent a wide variety of disciplinary interests, as reflected in their academic units.

The lectures are held in the Grand Lounge of the Faculty Club, where light refreshments are served. Rental of the Grand lounge and provisions for refreshments are supported by OAA. The College of Arts and Sciences has continued to provide support by videotaping the lectures and allowing us to post the videos on the EA website. We are very much appreciative of this support from the College.

Due to Covid-19 and the closing of the university campus, both the April and May lectures were cancelled. Fortunately, both presenters agreed to be re-scheduled for the 2020-2021 academic year.

Lecture Series: 2019-2020			
Speaker	Title	Date	Attendance
Altaf Wani, Radiology	"Correcting the Blueprint of Life"	September 4	41
Russell Pitzer, Chemistry and Biochemistry	"Chemistry and the Origin of the Dollar"	October 2	46
Tim Berra, Evolution, Ecology and Organismal Biology	"Bourbon: What the Educated Drinker Should Know"	November 7	54
Allison Snow, Evolution, Ecology, and Organismal Biology	"An Ecologist's View of Genetically Engineered Organisms – Past, Present, and Future"	December 4	44
Dave Elliott, Earth Sciences	"Cryolophosaurus and Other Adventures during a Misspent Career as an Antarctic Geologist"	February 5	53
Path Lather, Educational Studies	"Mea Culpa" Feminist Science Studies and the Politics of Scientific Authority in a Post- Truth Era"	March 4	47
Jean-Michel Guldmann, City and Regional Planning	"Green Infrastructure, Urban Planning and Design, and the Urban Heat Island: Mitigation Strategies in the Era of Climate Change"	April 1  (cancelled & rescheduled for the 2020-2021 lecture series)	
Duane Roller, Classics	"Cleopatra's Daughter: The Invisible Royal Women of the Ancient World"	May 6  (cancelled & rescheduled for the 2020-2021 lecture series)	

Lectures are normally held on the first Wednesday of every month. Below is the tentative schedule for the 2020-2021 lecture series, with the first lecture confirmed for September 9, and the remainder as TBA until more is known about the impact of Covid-19 on OSU for both the Autumn and Spring semesters.

In response to the Covid-19, the Steering Committee engaged in extensive discussions for planning alternative venues to replace lectures in the Grand Lounge of the OSU Faculty Club, depending on announcements for re-opening the campus, and additional considerations for the vulnerabilities of emeriti faculty. Alternative venues include zoom lectures for the Autumn Semester (or an equivalent form of social media), or assembly on campus in a room that conforms to social distancing requirements for audiences in the range of 30-60 persons. One advantage of switching the lectures series to an online format during the 2020-2021 academic year is the costs savings on rental of the Grand Lounges and accompanying refreshments and snacks.

September 9: Philip T.K. Daniel (Educational Studies) – Maximum Extent "Appropriate" or "Possible": Which is it for Placement in the Regular Classroom?

October: Jean-Michel Guldmann (City and Regional Planning) – "Green infrastructure, urban planning and design, and the urban heat island: mitigation strategies in the era of climate change"

November: Helen Fehervary (Germanic Languages and Literatures) – "Peter Lorre and Bertolt Brecht: a working relationship and friendship beyond Hollywood"

December: Gary Berntson (Psychology) — "History and current status of approaches to the detection of veracity and deception in the context of national security"

February: Duane Roller (Classics) -- "Cleopatra's Daughter: The Invisible Royal Women of the Ancient World"

March: William Clark (Materials Science and Engineering) – "It's a Small(er) World – Looking at Atoms at Ohio State"

April: Carole Fink (History) — "The unexpected arrivals: Soviet Jewish immigration to West German, 1973 to 1989"

May: David Huron (Music) — "The science of sad sounds: How and why many people enjoy listening to sad music"

## (3) Emeritus Academy Steering Committee

The Steering Committee is responsible for managing the grants program, lecture series, website, admission of new and renewal of 5 year members, and for writing this report. Steering Committee members rotate through three-year terms (apart from the past chair, who serves a fourth year), as shown in the chart below. Of special note is that Nancy Rogers (Law) is stepping

down after one year of service to devote full-time to a law initiative that partially received its start from one's of the EA small grants.

<b>Emeritus Ac</b>	ademy Steering (	Committee Members
	2019-2020	2020-2021
Members since Autumn, 2016 (through 2020)		
Mary Jo Fresch Education and Human Ecology (Marion)	Past Chair	
Members since Autumn, 2017 (through 2020)		
Joseph F. Donnermeyer Environment and Natural Resources	Chair	Past Chair
Morris Beja  English (Columbus)	Member	
Members since Autumn, 2018 (through 2021)		
Ardine Nelson Art (Columbus)	Chair-Elect	Chair
Jack Rall Physiology and Cell Biology	Member	Member
Russell Pitzer Chemistry (Columbus)	Member	Member
Members since Autumn 2019 (through 2022)		
William Ausich Earth Sciences	Member	Chair-Elect
Nancy Rogers Law	Member	
Members to Start in Autumn, 2020		
Daniel T.K. Philip Educational Studies		Member
Carl Leier Cardiovascular Medicine		Member

## (4) Membership in the Emeritus Academy

With additional support from OAA, two recruitment receptions were organized with the goal of introducing faculty who recently received emeritus status to the activities and benefits of the Emeritus Academy. The Autumn reception was held on October 2 at 3 PM in the gallery area of Hopkins Hall where an exhibition of incoming chair Ardine Nelson's photographic work was on display. The 3 PM time was one hour in advance of the October lecture at the Faculty Club by Russell Pitzer on "Chemistry and the Origin of the Dollar." Twelve persons attended this reception, and all were invited to walk across the Oval and attend the lecture.

The Spring recruitment reception was held at 3 PM on February 5 in the rooms of the Orton Hall Geological Museum. Again, this time was one hour in advance of the February seminar by David Elliott on "Cryolophosaurus and Other Adventures during a Misspent Career as an Antarctic Geologist". Seventeen persons attended this reception, with all invited to the lecture.

Altogether, 25 emeritus faculty applied for and received membership into the Emeritus Academy, which is more than double the number from the previous year, indicating the success of inviting new Emeritus faculty to the recruitment receptions as way to advertise the benefits of EA membership.

# **New Academy members: 2019-2020**

Accepted in Autumn 2019 (term to AU 2024)	Accepted in Spring 2020 (term to SP 2025)
William W. Batstone	John D. Corrigan
Classics	Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
C. Herbert Clemens	Larry Krissek
Mathematics	Earth Sciences
Mark Debard	Lawrence E. Mathes
Emergency Medicine	Veterinary Biosciences
Timothy E. Gregory	
History	
Michael R. Grever	
Hematology	
Charles E. Herdendorf	
Earth Sciences	
David B. Huron	
Music	
Gary P. Kennedy	
Mathematics	

Bruce A. Kimball	
Educational Studies Administration	
Douglas A. Kniss	
Obstetrics and Gynecology	
Boris Mityagin	
Mathematics	
Linda Myers	
Psychiatry	
Stephen C. Myers	
University Outreach Administration	
Nancy A. Neef	
Educational Studies Administration	
Patrick S. Osmer	
Astronomy	
Anthony J. Rucci	
Management and Human Resources	
Samuel D. Stout	
Anthropology	
Candace J. Stout	
Arts Administration, Education and Policy	
Joseph Stulberg	
Law	
Julian F. Thayer	
Psychology	
Udo Will	
Music	
David D. Woods	
Integrated Systems Engineering	

**Five-year renewals:** The Emeritus Academy is now six years old, and for only the second time, the Steering Committee reviewed applications for 5-year renewal. Renewal criteria include demonstration of scholarly and creative activities since initiation into the Emeritus Academy, and plans for future scholarship. The previous year was the first time that renewal applications were reviewed. There were 80 members in the inaugural-year group (Autumn, 2014 & Spring, 2015). Of those, 62 were approved for renewal. To quote from the 2018-2019 annual report: "The impressive professional activity of this cohort of Emeritus Academy faculty demonstrates the handsome return the University has received from OAA's investment in creating and funding the EA. Our Emeritus faculty, especially its EA members, continue to make Ohio State known around the world." This conclusion was based on the application these 62 EA members for 5-year renewal. Their accomplishments (also found in the 2018-2019 annual report) from 2014 through early 2019 included:

- 421 peer reviewed articles (many in prominent publications)
- · 58 books and monographs
- · 123 chapters in books
- · 362 presentations (many being invited keynotes)

- 84 creative works (such as single person juried exhibitions, patents/trademarks)
- · 31 external grants (11 of those with NSF or NIH)
- Some received awards (10), plus one honorary degree
- Some activity that was difficult to "categorize," but worthy of note are: a faculty member who has been interviewed by the media 500 times, one who oversees a University Center, and many who are contributing to or writing their own blogs. While not professional activities that merited Emeritus Academy membership, it is useful to note that some continue to teach multiple courses, and many are actively advising undergraduate and graduate students.

During the second year of five-year renewal applications to the Academy, only those members admitted in the Autumn semester, 2015 were invited to renew their applications since the Spring, 2015 group was already reviewed for 5-year renewal previously. This adjustment will carry forward so that the Steering Committee will call for renewals hereafter for each calendar year, which will be reviewed during each Spring semester by the Steering Committee. Next Spring (2021), for example, 5-year renewal applications by EA members admitted from the Spring, 2016 semester and the Autumn, 2016 semester will be reviewed.

Fourteen emeritus faculty were admitted to the Academy in the Autumn, 2015. Eleven applied for 5-year renewal, and all were approved (see table below). Even though a much smaller pool, their collective scholarship is as impressive as the inaugural group reported last year.

- · 78 peer reviewed articles (many in prominent publications)
- · 10 books and monographs
- · 19 chapters in books
- · 82 presentations (many being invited keynotes)
- · 1 creative work, which was a patent
- · 3 external grants

Like the previous cohort, some scholarly and creative work is difficult to fit into set categories, including various service roles to OSU and disciplinary groups, teaching (both in the classroom and extension/outreach), and media interviews.

Members renewed for 5 years (term 2020-2025)			
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Conslick	Terrence	Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering	conslick.1@osu.edu
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Fresch	Mary Jo	Education and Human Ecology	fresch.1@osu.edu
Kasulis	Thomas	Comparative Studies	kasulis.1@osu.edu
Moore	Richard	Environment and Natural Resources	moore.11@osu.edu
Morrow- Jones	Hazel	Architecture	morrow-jones.1@osu.edu
Ockerman	Herbert	Animal Sciences	ockerman.2@osu.edu
Porretta	David	Human Sciences Administration	porretta.1@osu.edu
Richardson	Virgina	Social Work	richardson.2@osu.edu
Tuovinen	Olli	Mircobiology	tuovinen.1@osu.edu
Wood	Jackie	Integrated Systems Engineering	wood.13@osu.edu

#### (5) The Impact of Covid-19 and other Issues on Emeritus Academy Activities

The March, April and May meetings of the EA Steering Committee were conducted online (zoom), rather than in Bricker Hall, due to Covid-19 concerns and the campus lockdown. Decisions were made in consultation with Vice-Provost Helen Malone to cancel the April and May lectures. However, both speakers (Jean Michel Guldmann and Duane Roller) agreed to be re-scheduled for the 2020-2021 academic year. As well, the Spring semester round of small grants was postponed.

At both the April and May Steering Committee meetings, discussions focused on alternative ways to maintain the lecture series via zoom or an equivalent electronic delivery system in light of potential university restrictions for on-campus activities during the Autumn semester. Further, even if the restrictions on the main campus are lifted, there is the additional concern about the health risks associated with the age of EA members.

It was agreed by the Steering Committee that an ad hoc executive committee of the new chair (Ardine Nelson), the chair-elect (William Ausich) and the past-chair (Joe Donnermeyer) will begin to develop a specific plan during the Summer months for delivery of the Autumn (and

potentially, the Spring semester) lectures through carmen zoom, plus, the necessity of acquainting EA members with participation in an online lecture via Carmen zoom on the assumption that many will have no previous experience with it.

The Steering Committee will also proceed with a request for funding of the small grants for the 2020-2021 academic year. The Steering Committee believes that funding of grants takes precedence over the lecture series for the 2020-2021 academic year, given the uncertainty of the OSU budget created by the impact of Covid-19. One mitigating circumstance is that recording of lectures and posting them on the EA webpage makes them available both to members and to the wider university community.

During the 2020-2021 academic year, the Steering Committee will consider development of a values statement pertaining to EA membership. This values statement will reflect the intent of the Academy's founding, which is to contribute to the OSU community through support of the continued scholarship of EA members.