English Professor Don Hedrick had two conference presentations at the English discipline’s flagship conference, the Modern Language Association Conference, in Vancouver, Canada: "Entertain Me: Civilizing the Renaissance Person" (9 Jan. 2015) and "Theorizing Shakespearian Sport" (10 Jan. 2015).

David Graff, History, published two works (Command, Control, and Castration: Eunuch Supervisors in the Armies of the Tang Dynasty." In Chinese and Indian Warfare: From the Classical Age to 1870 & "Brain over Brawn: Shared Beliefs and Presumptions in Chinese and Western Strategemata" which appeared in a special issue on “War in Perspective: History and Military Culture in China.”) as well as co-edited the Journal of Chinese Military History 3.2 (December 2014).


Jennifer Vellenga, School of Music, Theatre, and Dance, traveled to Tromso, Norway to direct Norwegian actors in a workshop production of the new play, “Forward,” by Chantal Bilodeau. The travel and performance was funded by the U.S. Embassy in Norway, Halogaland Theater in Tromso, and three K-State awards: the Provost’s Academic Excellence award, an International Incentive awards, and professional development support from the School of Music, Theatre and Dance. New York-based playwright Chantal Bilodeau will be in residence at K-State for part of 2016 and her play will have its premiere production at K-State in February 2016. Negotiations have begun to include Norwegian artists in the K-State production.

Bimal Paul, Geography, was appointed as a member of the Wrigley-Fairchild Prize Committee by the American Geographical Society.

The US Department of Energy, Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program awarded a $217,531 grant (sub award of $38,539 to KSU) to Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics. “Optimization and production of acetyl-triacylglycerols for use as fuels, lubricants, and specialty chemicals” PI: Steve Slater, Winnowgen LLC, co-PI: Timothy Durrett, KSU for the period from 2-1-2015 to 11-1-2015.
University Distinguished Professor of Chemistry Ryszard Jankowiak was named as an inaugural Distinguished Fellow of the Kosciuszko Foundation Collegium of Eminent Scientists, an arm of the Kosciuszko Foundation in New York City. Included in this distinguished company are 4 Nobel Prize winners, several Members of the US National Academy of Sciences and 22 Members (Foreign) of the Polish Academy of Sciences.

http://www.thekf.org/kf/programs/eminentscientists/
January 2015

Arts & Humanities

English

**Publications:**


**Machor,** “Reading for Humor or Realism: W. D. Howells and Mark Twain’s Early Reception in the U.S. Public Sphere.” *American Literary Realism* 47.2 (2015): 136-50.


**Kimball Smith** has published the Kindle edition of his second novel *Missing Persons.*

**Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:**


Research:

Grants:
Sierra Hale (MA ’15) received an Arts & Sciences Travel Award.

Jamie Teixeira (BA ’15) and Rachel Nyhart (BA ’16) won grants from the Office of Undergraduate Research, Scholarship, and Creative Endeavor for projects emerging from ENGL 500 “Writing Center Theory and Practice” (Fall 2014). Cydney Alexis will serve as mentor.

Awards:
Carmen Schober (MA ’15) was a finalist for the 2014 Glimmer Train Family Matters Contest for her short story, “The End of the World as We Know It.”

Elizabeth Dodd has been elected to the Executive Council of the Association for the Study of Literature and Environment (ASLE).
Other:

<http://www.psupress.org/journals/jnls_Reception.html/>

Karin Westman, Naomi Wood, and David Russell, editors, *The Lion and the Unicorn* (Johns Hopkins UP), three issues per year, 2008-present.
<http://www.press.jhu.edu/journals/lion_and_the_unicorn/>

History

Publications:

David Graff, "Brain over Brawn: Shared Beliefs and Presumptions in Chinese and Western *Strategemata.*" *Extrême-Orient, Extrême-Occident* 38 (2014), 47-64. Article appeared in a special issue on “War in Perspective: History and Military Culture in China.”


Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:


Research:
David Graff co-edited the *Journal of Chinese Military History* 3.2 (December 2014). Professor Graff has co-edited this journal, published by Brill, with David Curtis Wright (Calgary) since 2012; the Dec., 2014 issue was the sixth to be published.

Grants:

Awards:

Other:

Bonnie Lynn-Sherow appointed Chair of K-State’s AAUW “Elect Her” outreach, Jan. 18, 2015.

Modern Languages

Publications:
Kathleen Antonioli, had her article, "Classic and Modern: Colette Criticism in the Interwar," published online by the journal Modern & Contemporary France, and is slated to be published in print in Volume 23, Issue 3.
http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/09639489.2014.988129#preview

Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:
Melinda A. Cro presented "Pastoral Galleries in Remy Belleau's Bergerie (1565): The Function of Collectionist Ekphrasis in Belleau's Conception of the Pastoral Mode" to the division on Sixteenth-Century French literature at the Modern Language Association annual convention in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

Research:

Grants:
Melinda A. Cro was awarded a Faculty Development Award in the amount of $1000 to support her travel to the MLA annual convention in Vancouver, BC, Canada to present her research.

Janice McGregor received partial FDA support to travel to Toronto, Ontario. She will present the paper "Conflicting competences: Negotiating 'enoughness' in study abroad" at AAAL (American Association for Applied Linguistics) in March 2015.

Awards:

Other:
As part of the Spanish in Action CAT Community, Angélique Courbou took a group of 14 freshmen for 10 days to Atenas, Costa Rica, as part of a service learning study abroad trip. Students used their leadership and Spanish skills to negotiate and learn to build a partial playground out of concrete in a nutrition center for children. They also painted and helped clean up the center.

Claire L. Dehon reviewed two articles for "French Review".

Doug Benson was one of four University Distinguished Teaching Scholars invited to participate in a panel on Staying Motivated as a Teacher for the Faculty Excellence in Teaching Exchange (FETE) Teaching Workshop, sponsored by the K-State Teaching and Learning Center (TLC) on January 30-31.
School of Music, Theatre, and Dance

Publications:

Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:
Sally Bailey directed a staged reading of *Dunia*, a non-fiction play by Joanna Abillama in the Purple Masque Theatre.

Jerry Jay Cranford attended the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival, Region V-Minneapolis, MN. He served as a chaperone for 13 K-State student representatives and coached four Irene Ryan best actor nominees who performed/competed with nearly 400 others from the 5 state region. Two K-State students were selected for the 64 in semi-finals and Cat Huck was selected as one of the 16 finalists to perform on the Guthrie Stage. While at the festival Cranford was selected to present two 1 ½ hour workshops; one on theatre movement had 38 participants and the other on theatre business scheduled for 40 people had 67. He was also chosen to direct one of the 6 pieces selected for the New Plays Project which performed at the Guthrie Theatre.

Slawomir Dobrzanski delivered a lecture/recital at Western Michigan University on the life and works of Polish pianist/composer Maria Szymanowska. He also delivered a lecture about Chopin’s music to the Kalamazoo Music Teachers Association.

Karen Large performed with the Topeka Symphony Orchestra on their *Great Masterpieces* concert. She also presented five sessions at the Florida Flute Association Annual Convention: *Five Ways YouTube Can Change Your (Flute) Life!, Performance with the Flute New Music Consortium, Performance with the Florida Flute Orchestra, Performance with Traverso Colore: Baroque Ensemble,* and she *Conducted an Open Flute Choir Reading Session.*

Nora Lewis gave the paper, “Asian Traditions and Western Innovations” at the International Composition in Asia Symposium and Festival/University of South Florida School of Music Convocation, January 23, 2015 in Tampa, Florida. Lewis also performed in the “Music of Gail Kubik” concert presented on the Hale Library Series, January 30, 2015.

Patricia Thompson performed with Luminous Voices in Calgary, Alberta, CANADA on a program titled *Rapturous Renaissance*. The performance included the music of Dufay, Ockeghem, and Des Prez. Dr. Thompson served as the Alto soloist on *Responsio* (Peter Togni, composer) scored for four voices and bass clarinet based on a mass by Machaut.
Jennifer Vellenga traveled to Tromso, Norway to direct Norwegian actors in a workshop production of the new play, “Forward,” by Chantal Bilodeau. The travel and performance was funded by the U.S. Embassy in Norway, Halogaland Theater in Tromso, and three K-State awards: the Provost’s Academic Excellence award, an International Incentive awards, and professional development support from the School of Music, Theatre and Dance. New York-based playwright Chantal Bilodeau will be in residence at K-State for part of 2016 and her play will have its premiere production at K-State in February 2016. Negotiations have begun to include Norwegian artists in the K-State production.

Julie Yu presented at the Missouri Music Educators Association In-Service Workshop/Conference in Osage Beach, MO on Thursday, January 29, 2015. The title of her presentation was “Music Relevancy in Practice, Performance and Practicality.”

Research:
Sally Bailey has been researching a study on Narrative Transportation in Theatre and will be using the Theatre Programs spring/15 repertoire to determine if audience members are “Narratively Transported” into the plays and if this makes a difference in what they learn and/or in changing their attitudes towards issues in the play. Actors who volunteer will also be surveyed at the end of each night to see if they are narratively transported into and out of their roles. The study will compare audience responses before and after the shows, between productions and see if there is a relationship between actors being narratively transported and audience members being transported.

Laura Donnelly continues to mentor Courtney Hoover on her A&S Undergraduate Research Project 2 on applying the principles of Movement Fundamentals to teaching differently-abled students. Professor Donnelly is also working with Tannique-Kay Buchanan on her Senior Capstone research investigating the intersection of color theory and the “black dancing body.” Ms. Buchanan has submitted an abstract to the National Dance Education Association.

Grants:

Awards:
Other:
Jerry Jay Cranford directed Les Miserables for the Circa '21 Playhouse in Rock Island, IL featuring K-State alum Joey Boos with a cast of 24 and run that goes through March 21, 2015.

Julie Yu was the guest conductor of the 2015 North Texas Children's Choir in Dallas, TX on January 30-31, 2015. Over 250 elementary students from the greater Dallas metroplex area rehearsed and performed a full concert with guest collaborators (including the University of North Texas African Drumming Ensemble and Bella Voce from Baylor University) at the Meyerson Symphony Center.

Philosophy

Publications:

“Autonomy and Settling: Rehabilitating the relationship between autonomy and paternalism”, forthcoming, Utilitas. Rosa Terlazzo

“The ‘uncanny valley’ and spectating animated objects” accepted, Performance Research, Jim Hamilton.


Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:
“Climate Vulnerability and The Value of Security” accepted at the 2nd Workshop on Ethics and Adaptation: Loss, Damage, and Harm, 8-9 May 2015, University of Buffalo, N.Y, Jon Herington.

Research:
Social & Behavioral Sciences

Economics

Publications:

**Babcock, Mike & Gayle, Philip.** “State Variation in Railroad Wheat Rates.” Journal of the Transportation Research Forum, Fall 2014.


**Yang-Ming Chang** and Renfeng Xiao, “Preferential Trade Agreements between Asymmetric Countries: Free Trade Areas (with Rules of Origin) vs. Customs Unions," Revise and Resubmit, Japan and the World Economy.

"Investment in Clean Technology: Compete, Cooperate, or Merge?" submitted to Energy and Resource Economics for review. (with Jason Walter)


“Green, Clubs, Heterogeneous Firms, and Green Consumers: A Welfare Analysis of Environmental Regulations” under review at Journal of Environmental and Economic Management. (with Jason Walter)

**Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:**
Freeman, Amanda submitted a proposal for the 2015 SIDLIT conference on teaching international students online.


Shen, Leilei - “Are Rising College Premiums Capitalized into House Prices in China.” Presented at the ASSA Annual Meeting in Boston, January 2015.

**Research:**

**Grants:**
Babcock, Mike. received a $35,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, “Intramodal Railroad Competition Impacts on Railroad Wheat Rates.”

**Awards:**

**Other:**

**Geography**

**Publications (*graduate students):**


**Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:**

**Research:**

**Grants:**

**Awards:**

**Other:**
Bimal Paul, Geography, was appointed as a member of the Wrigley-Fairchild Prize Committee by the American Geographical Society.

**Psychological Sciences**

**Publications:**


Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:

Research:

Grants:

Awards:

Other:
Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work

Publications:
2015 Zavala, Egbert, Lisa Melander, and Don L. Kurtz, “The Importance of Social Learning and Job-Related Stress on Police Officers’ Perpetration of Intimate Partner Violence” Victims & Offenders: An International Journal of Evidence-based Research, Policy, and Practice, v10, n1


Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:

Research:

Grants:

Awards:

Other:
Natural & Quantitative Sciences

Biochemistry & Molecular Biophysics

**Publications:**

**Journal Articles:**


**Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:**

**Lawrence Davis** was invited to do a presentation on “Phytoremediation with miscanthus produced for bioenergy” at the international workshop “Current issues in phytoremediation with biomass production.” Held at the Department of the Environment, Faculty of Natural Resources, Matej Bel University, the Solvak Republic, January 12, 2015.

**Michal Zolkiewski** presented a poster, “Detachment-induced upregulation of PDI-family ER chaperones in breast cancer cells,” at the 20th Annual Midwest Stress Response and Molecular Chaperone Meeting at Northwestern University in Evanston, IL on January 17, 2015.

**Research:**
Grants:

Prashant Wani (graduate, Roelofs Biology) received the ASBMB 2015 Graduate/Postdoctoral Travel Award to attend the ASBMB 2015 Annual Meeting in Boston Massachusetts, March 28th to April 1st 2015.

Awards:


Other:

Jianhan Chen served as a Panelist for NSF CTMC Biomolecular Simulations Panel, on January 16, 2015.

Biology

Publications:


structure of polar bears for their ecology, evolution and conservation in a rapidly warming Arctic. *PLoS ONE*, 10(1), e112021.


**Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:**


**Ari Jumpponen** gave two presentations in University of Helsinki, Finland.


**Research:**

**Grants:**

**Bruce Snyder** - Submitted NSF preliminary proposal to DEB core programs.

**Ari Jumpponen** - Graduate Student, Kirsten Grond, was awarded a NSF- DDIG grant on which Ari serves as a co-PI. DISSERTATION RESEARCH: Intra-annual dynamics in gut microbiota of migratory shorebirds. NSF-DDIG, $18,030, June 1, 2015 - May 31, 2016. PI Brett Sandercock, co-PI Ari Jumpponen.


**Brett Sandercock - Highlights:**

Two PhD Candidates in my lab, Kirsten Grond and Bram Verheijen, have been recommended for funding for Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grants by the National Science Foundation. Contracts are in progress with SPA.
Awards:
Kathrin Schrick - Poster presentation awards at the K-INBRE conference – see above.

Other:
Walter Dodds - Press releases:
K-State:
http://www.k-state.edu/media/newsreleases/jan15/dodds12115.html

Univ Chicago Press:

US National Science Foundation:

Chemistry

Publications:

Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:

Research:

Grants:

Awards:
University Distinguished Professor of Chemistry Ryszard Jankowiak was named as an inaugural Distinguished Fellow of the Kosciuszko Foundation Collegium of Eminent Scientists, an arm of the Kosciuszko Foundation in New York City. Included in this distinguished company are 4 Nobel Prize winners, several Members of the US National Academy of Sciences and 22 Members (Foreign) of the Polish Academy of Sciences.
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Other:

Physics

**Publications:**


**Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:**
**Chii-Dong Lin** gave talks at the Hanoi Univ. of Science & Technology and Institute of Physics, Vietnam Academic of Science & Technology (1/4-1/6).

**A-T Le** presented a seminar at Ho-Chi Minh Univ. of Pedagogy in Ho-Chi Minh City, Vietnam.


“Self-Explanations Influencing Performance on Tasks with Feedback or Visual Cues”, Contributed talk by Elise Agra, Bahar Modir, John Hutson, Lester C.


**Research:**

**Grants:**

**Chii-Dong Lin**: Isolated Soft X-Ray Attosecond Pulse Generation Using Synthesized Strong-Field Infrared Pulses, MIT subaward from AFOSR, $40,000.

**Awards:**

**Other:**
Statistics

Publications:

Presentations, Lectures, Conferences & Exhibitions:


Pallavi Sawant. Robust Principal Components For Multivariate Functional Data, Joint Mathematics Meetings, San Antonio, Texas.

Research:
Grants:

U.S. Department of Agriculture - Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (USDA - AFRI) Foundational Program A1221 $498,500.


Nora Bello, Co-PI. “The effects of SID Lysine and Intellibond C (TBCC) feeding strategy in finishing pigs on growth performance, carcass characteristics and economics”. Principal investigator: Steve Dritz, College of Veterinary Medicine, Kansas State University. Role: co-PI. Timeline: 2014-2015. Awarded. $25,000.


Awards:

Other:

Haiyan Wang: Associate Editor for *Journal of Nonparametric Statistics*.

Nora Bello: Associate Editor for the *Journal of Biological, Agricultural, and Environmental Statistics*.

Weixing Song: Associate Editor, *Journal of Statistics and Probability Letters*. 