
St. Norbert College

Directory of New Faculty Orientation Program Invitees

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Dr. Judy Cervantes continues at SNC as an Assistant Professor of Spanish. She received her B.A. in Spanish and Sociology with a minor in Law and Society at the University of California, Riverside. Judy also completed her M.A. and Ph.D. in Spanish Literature from U.C. Riverside. Her scholarship focuses on violence, trauma and memory in Latin American Narrative from the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. Her research offers a psychoanalytical approach to the representation of historical events in Latin America with a specific focus on Mexico.

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Dr. Angel Saavedra Cisneros, Assistant Professor of Political Science, received his B.Sc. in Psychology with minors in Political Science and TESOL from Brigham Young University. He received his Ph.D. in Political Behavior from Stony Brook University. Angel grew up in both México and the USA. His work focuses on racial and ethnic politics in the American context with a focus on Latinos and political psychology. In the Latin American context, he works on elections and political institutions.

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Katie Ginsbach, Assistant Professor of Spanish, graduated Summa Cum Laude with a B.A. in Spanish from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. Katie earned her M.A. in Spanish Literature and Culture from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and will be earning her Ph.D. in Spanish Literature from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Katie's scholarship focuses on the historical novel and the way that the past is reimagined and given new life in contemporary Spanish literature and culture.

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Dr. Allison Hahn, Visiting Assistant Professor of Psychology, graduated with a B.A. in Zoology and Psychology from Northern Michigan University. Allison earned her M.S. in Psychology from Northern Michigan University. She earned her Ph.D. in Psychology from the University of Alberta. Allison's research focuses on vocal communication, with an emphasis on the production and perception of vocalizations by songbirds.

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Dr. John Hennecken, rejoins SNC as an Assistant Professor of Music, and graduated Summa Cum Laude with a B.A. from Georgia College and State University, and earned his D.M.A. in Music Composition from the University of Georgia. An active composer, his music has been performed in the United States, France, Italy, Belgium, Poland, and Japan, recorded under the EMPiRES label, broadcasted on Georgia Public Radio, and published by Potenza Music. He has won honors from the International Tuba-Euphonium Association, Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, and Southeastern Composers League, among others.

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Joanna Huegel, Adjunct Instructor of Teacher Education, graduated from Winona State University, earning a B.S. in Teaching with a double major in Special Education and Elementary Education. She completed her Master of Education degree with a focus in Teaching and Learning at St. Mary's University. Joanna has been working directly in the field

of education for seventeen years and has specialized in teaching adolescents with exceptionalities in the secondary setting and promoting inclusive instructional practices. Currently, she is a special education and English Language Arts teacher at Foxview Intermediate in De Pere.

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Emily Kincaid looks forward to joining St. Norbert College as an Adjunct Instructor of English. Emily graduated from the University of Wisconsin Green Bay with a B.A. in English and Spanish, including an emphasis on literary studies and a minor in humanistic studies. She went on to earn her M.A. in English from Bowling Green State University in Ohio. Emily's research interests, which focus on the legacy of language and power in composition, are largely motivated by her work in the classroom.

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Dr. Philip Klickman, Assistant Professor of Music, has earned degrees in Music Education (B.S., M.S., and Ed.D.) from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; he has also earned his M.M. in Horn Performance from the University of Illinois. Prior to arriving at SNC, he taught music in the public schools of suburban Chicago and most recently served as Director of Bands and Instrumental Music Education at Frostburg State University in Maryland. Office: APHFA 127, Phone: ext. 3114, Email: philip.klickman@snc.edu, Mentors: Sarah Parks and Eric High



Dr. Hannah Mead Kling is Assistant Professor of Economics at St. Norbert College. She graduated summa cum laude with a B.A. in economics from Hillsdale College in Hillsdale, Michigan. She earned her M.A. and Ph.D. in economics from George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia. Dr. Kling's research uses mapping and modeling techniques to analyze the economic causes and consequences of urban segregation.

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Dr. Jacob Laubacher, Visiting Assistant Professor of Mathematics, graduated with a Ph.D. from Bowling Green State University in 2017. He earned his B.S. in mathematics from Ohio Dominican University in 2010, and his M.A. in pure mathematics from Kent State University in 2013. He is an algebraist, with his research focusing mainly on homological algebra, but also group theory and category theory.

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Dr. Eric Lewellyn, Assistant Professor of Biology, graduated with distinction in biology from Carleton College, MN and earned a Ph.D. in Cell and Molecular Biology at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. Following graduation, Eric completed a postdoctoral fellowship at the University of California, Berkeley. Eric then studied new ways to combat hepatitis B virus as a scientist at Assembly Biosciences, CA. Most recently, Eric served as a Visiting Assistant Professor at Lawrence University, WI. Eric's research uses brewers yeast as an easy, safe, and ambrosial tool to learn about basic cell biology, virus biology, and genome editing.

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Dr. Christina Mirisis, Visiting Assistant Professor of Modern Languages and Literatures, graduated Cum Laude with a B.A. in Spanish and in Italian and Linguistics from The College of New Jersey, Ewing, New Jersey. Christina earned her M.A. and Ph.D. in Hispanic Linguistics with minors in Italian Studies from the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities. Christina's scholarship focuses on Second Language Acquisition, investigating how second language learners of Spanish and Italian acquire the sound system of each language.

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Christine M. Moeller, Information Literacy and Instruction Librarian, graduated Cum Laude from Augustana College, Rock Island, IL. She earned her M.A. in Library and Information Science from the University of Iowa, and is currently completing a certificate in Instructional Design at UW Stout. Christine's research centers on critical pedagogical praxis and integrating information literacy across the curriculum.

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Dr. Jihyun Nam, Assistant Professor of Teacher Education, received an M.A. degree in TESOL & Applied Linguistics and a Ph.D. degree in Language Education at Indiana University at Bloomington. Before coming to the US, he received two B.A. degrees in German and English Education and an M.Ed. degree in English Education in South Korea. Prior to arriving at SNC, he taught graduate courses in ESOL and MA TESOL at the University of South Florida and Campbellsville University respectively. Dr. Nam's research areas include critical approaches to the ESL context such as critical literacy, critical discourse analysis, critical ethnography, and critical qualitative methodology.

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Gretchen Panzer, Adjunct Instructor of Women's and Gender Studies, earned her M.A. in Gender Studies from Indiana University Bloomington after graduating from St. Norbert College with a B.A. in English and Women's and Gender Studies. She is interested in representations of reproduction and kinship formation in literature and media, particularly in the genres of science fiction and fantasy, as they relate to understandings of gender, sexuality, and embodiment.

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Dr. Gerardo Rodríguez, assistant professor of theology and religious studies, graduated with a Ph.D. on early Christianity from Saint Louis University. He earned his M.A. from St. John's University (Collegeville, MN) and B.A. from Simpson College (Indianola, IA). Gerardo is joining St. Norbert from Big Sky Montana after teaching three years at Carroll College. He is in his second year of co-directing an NEH Grant on Enduring Questions; as part of this, he and Dr. Soumitree Gupta developed an interdisciplinary course on race and identity in theological and literary narratives. Gerardo's research focuses on Origen of Alexandria and Latina/o theologies.

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Dr. Aberra Tesfay is a Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science, and graduated with an M.A. in Political Science from Boston College and an M.Div. and M.A. in Theology from Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. Aberra earned his Ph.D. in Political Science from Boston University. His teaching and research interests include a wide-range of subjects within International Relations, Comparative Politics, Philosophy and Theology. His recent research and fieldwork have focused on African Politics, particularly on post-conflict state building, decentralization, development strategies, and democratization.

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Yurou Zhou, Adjunct Instructor of Mandarin Chinese, graduated with a B.Eng. and First Class Honours from the Chinese University of Hong Kong. Yurou is a trained Chinese teacher from the ALLEX program. She is studying for her MBA degree for Supply-Chain and Manufacturing Professionals at St. Norbert College. Office: Boyle 315, Phone: ext. 2912,

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