

AddRan College of Liberal Arts

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1. Activities and Accomplishments

- Six full-time faculty were hired. Two were hired as full professors with tenure, three were assistant professors in tenure track positions, and one was hired as an instructor.

Carmen Kynard	English	Professor
Muriel Cormican	Modern Languages	Professor
Erik Estrada	Religion	Assistant Professor
Xiaolu Zhou	Geography	Assistant Professor
Erik Kojola	Sociology	Assistant Professor
Stephen Nicar	Economics	Instructor

Of the six hires, notable was the hiring of the replacement for Dr. Rich Enos holder of the Radford Chair in English. The position was filled by Dr. Carmen Kynard, who was also the first faculty member to be hired with tenure. Dr. Muriel Cormican was hired as a tenured professor and chair of the Department of Modern Languages. Dr. Xiaolu Zhou was the third faculty hired with a specialty in GIS and Big Data completing the cluster hire for Big Data.

- Staff Appointments to AddRan College included:

Cara Davis	AddRan College Career Consultant
Ellen Irwin	Academic Program Specialist

It should be noted that the Academic Program Specialist was a reclassification from Administrative Assistant.

- New department chairs included:

Theresa Gaul	English
Muriel Cormican	Modern Languages

Dr. Gaul was appointed to the position during the spring of 2019 replacing Dr. Murray. Dr. Cormican was selected as the chair following a national search. She began her service during the fall 2019 semester.

- AddRan College served as a co-sponsor for the TCU Human Trafficking Symposium organized by Dr. Vanessa Bouche of the Department of Political Science. The symposium was held on February 7-8, 2019.
- On February 26 the Department of Sociology and Anthropology had an external review meeting.
- AddRan College Associate Deans Mike Butler and Peter Worthing were in two Experience TCU presentations for prospective TCU students (February 15 and March 1).

- Associate Dean Peter Worthing organized 3 Research Spotlight Lunches which provide opportunity to highlight the research and creative activities of AddRan faculty. These lunches were held on March 5, September 24, and October 30.
- On March 8, the Department of Political Science had its external review meeting.
- On March 19, Dr. Jim Scott of the Department of Political Science presented the 12th AddRan Distinguished Faculty Lecture. The title of his talk was, "Sponsoring Democracy Abroad: Advice to the President from the Empirical Evidence on U.S. Democracy Aid 1975-2010."
- On March 22-23, 2019, AddRan College was a co-sponsor of the Vietnam Symposium organized by Dr. Kara Vuic from the Department of History.
- Dean Schoolmaster hosted the Department Chairs' Spring Social at Top Golf in Fort Worth on April 3.
- On May 7 and 9 Dean Schoolmaster met with the Department of English faculty and Advisory Committee following the resignation of Dr. Joddy Murray as chair. Dr. Theresa Gaul was selected as the new chair.
- On May 9 the Graduate Hooding ceremony was held in the Kelly Center. This ceremony recognizes Masters and Ph. D. graduates in the Departments of English and History.
- During the summer of 2019, Scharbauer Hall 4011 was converted into faculty office space and Reed Hall 222 was upgraded with new furniture and a wall talker writing surface.
- Dean Schoolmaster participated in the Provost Retreat held at Colonial Country Club on August 13, 2019.
- Dean Schoolmaster hosted the annual Administrative Assistants Breakfast in the Kelly Center on August 15, 2019.
- On August 27, Dean Schoolmaster met with Drs. Carrie Currier and Jim Scott to finalize the creation of the Director of Undergraduate Research stipend for the Department of Political Science.
- On September 5, Drs. Scott Langston, Claire Sanders, and Ariane Balizet were recognized as finalists for the DEI Award at the luncheon at the Minor House.
- On September 11-12, Dr. Peter Worthing hosted luncheons featuring Dr. Claire Sanders discussing the DEI Core and DEI Inventory activities.

- On September 24, AddRan College was a co-sponsor of the Daryl C. Schmidt Lectureship on Religion in Public Life. The lecture was delivered by R. Marie Griffith, speaking on, "Sex and American Christianity: The Religious Divide that Fractured a Nation."
- In September, Ellen Irwin was selected as the new Academic Program Specialist in the Dean's Office. This position was the result of a reclassification of the position formerly held by Martha Barron.
- On October 4, Dean Schoolmaster hosted a lunch for AddRan College Faculty Senate representatives to share issues and perspectives on challenges and opportunities for TCU faculty.
- On October 7, AddRan College was a co-sponsor of the Native American and Indigenous People Day, organized by Drs. Scott Langston and Theresa Gaul.
- On October 10-11, AddRan College was a co-sponsor of the Fall 2019 Southwest Division of the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting. Dean Schoolmaster presented the keynote address at the welcome luncheon, entitled, "So You Want to Chair a Department of Geography."
- AddRan College hosted a networking event featuring alumni currently working in business and industry on October 23. The event featured Mr. Kenny Thompson, Senior Director of Government and External Affairs at Pepsico. Other AddRan alumni included Abby Long, PMG Advertising; Chris Tomaselli, Scale AL; Alyssa Vaught, Red Productions; Johnny Subash, Pepsico Foundation.
- On October 30, Dean Schoolmaster hosted the fall semester Department Chairs' social at SiNaCa Glass Studio.
- The fall semester Graduate Hooding Ceremony was held on December 19 at the Kelly Center.

2. AddRan College Development Efforts and Accomplishments

- Over 2018-2019 one of our primary objectives was to reenergize the Board of Visitors, add new members, and increase diversity of the membership. During 2019, 12 new members were added including 4 Hispanics. Currently there are 40 members of the Board of Visitors.
- On March 22, there was a dinner recognizing the support of David and Theresa Schmidt for the Vietnam Symposium organized by Dr. Kara Vuic, the holder of the LCpl Benjamin W. Schmidt Professor.
- The biannual Back-to-Class event was held on March 28, 2019. Over 250 people attended the lectures, and it was a successful fundraising effort. During the evening 5 lectures were

presented. Prior to this event a reception for the presenters and BOV members was hosted at the home of Sharon and Dan Millians.

Bill Meier	“The past, present and future of Brexit”
Kara Vuic	“Playboy company: Bringing home to the front lines of the Vietnam War”
Manochehr Dorraj	“Global power transitions: What does the future hold?”
Patricia Duncan	“Discerning the Gospel of Mark”
Benjamin Ireland	“Pacific Islands: Environmental activism and the American university”

- A tour of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Headquarters followed by dinner was arranged for the BOV members by Sam Kyei and George Duggan. The event was on April 24.
- BOV meetings were held on April 25 and October 23. The 12 new members of the BOV were introduced at the October meeting.
- The Florsheim Lecture in Ethics, sponsored by the Department of Philosophy with support from the Florsheim family, was held on September 12.
- The Excellence in Literacy Fiction (ELF) award dinner and presentation was hosted by Sandra and Michael Brown at the Capital Grille on September 16.
- The Capital Campaign Kick-Off Event, Lead On: A Campaign for TCU, was held in Schollmaier Arena on the evening of October 24. Ben Ireland, of the Department of Modern Language Studies, was one of the faculty members featured.
- Table 1 presents a summary of giving to AddRan College from 2015-2019. The total raised in 2019 was the second highest of the 5-year period. The 2019 total was a 46% increase over 2018. While the total number of gifts was down slightly, the average amount of the gifts had increased between the 2 years, and the total raised by gifts over \$25,000 was the second highest for the years reported. Kathy Fletcher, the AddRan Director of Development, noted that cultivation efforts in 2019 had again been successful.

Table 1

	Total Raised	Number of Gifts	Average Gift \$ Amount, All Gifts	Total Raised, Gifts Exceeding \$25,000	Remaining Balance, Gifts of \$25,000 and under	Total Number of Gifts, \$25,000 and under	Average Gift \$ Amount, Small Gifts
2015*	\$517,787	1137	\$455	\$236,620	\$281,167	1133	\$248
2016	\$452,075	1512	\$299	\$245,000	\$207,075	1507	\$138
2017	\$873,254	1670	\$522	\$604,135	\$269,118	1666	\$162
2018	\$402,928	1538	\$261	\$202,183	\$200,745	1534	\$130
2019	\$587,299	1492	\$393	\$326,431	\$260,868	1488	\$175

*The 2015 data were reported using a new software program.

3. Statistical Overview of SCH, Majors and Degrees Conferred.

- Undergraduate SCH (Table 2) increased by 3,097 from 2018 to 2019 for a total of 79,286. This increase of approximately 4% represented the single largest increase over the 5 year reporting period. Almost 50% of this increase was in the Department of English which had an increase of 1,456 SCH. Semester credit production increased in Criminal Justice, Economics, Modern Language Studies, Political Science, Religion, Sociology/Anthropology, and Spanish. Credit production was relatively flat in Geography and Philosophy and declined slightly in History.

Table 2

Semester Credit Hours- Undergraduate						
Department		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
AEST	S	54	66	65	79	94
	F	75	81	102	123	140
		129	147	168	202	234
CJ	S	3,300	3,349	3,249	3,489	3,501
	F	3,315	3,570	3,837	3,738	3,912
		6,615	6,919	7,086	7,227	7,413
ECON	S	3,828	4,455	4,596	4,374	5,049
	F	4,927	5,022	4,929	5,043	5,091
		8,755	9,477	9,525	9,418	10,140
ENGL	S	7,768	8,444	8,068	7,776	8,692
	F	8,956	8,758	8,459	8,827	9,367
		16,724	17,202	16,527	16,603	18,059
GEOG*	S			1,965	1,903	1,878
	F		1,719	1,671	1,822	1,779
			1,719	3,636	3,725	3,657
HIST	S	5,103	5,403	3,627	3,640	3,126
	F	5,283	3,264	3,240	3,399	3,315
		10,386	8,667	6,867	7,039	6,441
MILS	S	231	226	208	256	303
	F	234	215	252	334	318
		465	441	424	580	621
MLS	S	1,113	1,014	1,098	1,164	1,422
	F	1,092	951	925	1,335	1,224
		2,205	1,965	2,023	2,499	2,646
PHIL	S	700	774	823	700	912
	F	783	846	913	1,147	915
		1,483	1,620	1,736	1,847	1,827
POSC	S	2,724	2,757	3,041	2,925	3,099
	F	3,035	3,330	3,316	3,351	3,368
		5,759	6,087	6,357	6,276	6,467
RELI	S	3,021	2,763	2,740	2,715	3,084
	F	4,158	4,083	4,149	4,530	4,452
		7,179	6,846	7,089	7,245	7,536
SOAN	S	3,967	4,260	4,471	4,608	5,013
	F	3,693	3,991	4,245	4,148	4,166
		7,660	8,251	8,716	8,756	9,179
SPAN	S	2,073	2,118	2,172	2,201	2,409
	F	2,316	2,380	2,610	2,541	2,577
		4,389	4,498	4,782	4,742	4,986
ADRN	S	38	13	22	15	23
	F	15	21	13	15	57
		53	34	35	30	80
Spring		33,920	35,642	36,347	35,846	38,605
Fall		37,882	38,231	38,808	40,343	40,681
Total		71,802	73,873	75,008	76,189	79,286

- AddRan College continues to account for approximately 30% of all undergraduate SCH at TCU and the Department of English increases are significant and speak to the importance of the Department in teaching undergraduates and in turn to staffing and faculty challenges.
- Graduate SCH (Table 3) declined slightly in Criminal Justice along with English. History SCH was relatively flat. The MLA program showed a moderate increase since being moved to the College in an organization change in 2018.

Table 3

Semester Credit Hours- Graduate						
Department		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CJ*	S	96	159	147	222	222
	F	165	174	222	246	210
		261	333	369	468	432
ENGL	S	236	232	251	271	204
	F	261	269	273	263	213
		497	501	524	534	417
HIST	S	204	196	154	147	151
	F	238	210	194	196	197
		442	406	348	343	348
MLA**	S					462
	F				498	552
					498	1014
Spring		536	587	552	640	1039
Fall		664	653	689	1203	1172
Total		1200	1240	1241	1843	2211

*Online Masters in CJ started in Fall 2014

**The MLA program moved to AddRan College in Spring 2018.

- The number of students majoring in AddRan College departments was stable between 2018 and 2019 (Table 4.) Political Science and Economics continue as the departments with the greatest number of majors, and between them account for 52% of all AddRan majors. The two other popular majors are Criminal Justice and English. Across the college, with the possible exception of Political Science and Economics, all departments have the capacity to serve more undergraduate majors.

Table 4*

AddRan College of Liberal Arts					
Majors by Department					
Department	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
General Stud	40	25	29	46	51
Criminal Just	147	156	153	172	206
Economics	356	354	331	328	349
English	134	139	130	135	116
Geography		22	26	28	29
History	111	84	79	91	73
MOLA	12	18	21	22	21
Philosophy	30	30	35	30	31
Pol. Science	331	335	370	383	386
Religion	27	22	21	25	15
Soc/Anth	66	58	75	100	94
Spanish	65	53	43	40	37
Total	1319	1296	1313	1400	1408

*Totals are exclusive of pre-majors

- The total number of degrees conferred (Table 5) increased between 2018 and 2019. Undergraduate degrees increased by 13, masters increased by 8, and awarded Ph. D.s declined by 4.

Table 5

AddRan College of Liberal Arts					
Degrees Conferred					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Bachelors	376	364	359	383	396
Masters	6	22	13	40*	52
Ph. D	10	7	10	13	9
Totals	392	393	382	436	457

*2018 is first year of MLA being under AddRan College.

4. Research and Creative Activity and Accomplishments

- AddRan College funds 5 internal programs in support of creative activity, professional development and research. During the AY 2018-2019 Dr. Johnny Nhan served as the Administrative Fellow and worked on a project addressing workplace readiness. For the AY

2019-2020 Dean Schoolmaster decided not to have an Administrative Fellow as his deanship would conclude in May 2020.

The programs are administered by Associate Dean Peter Worthing. A summary of the 2019 awards, totaling \$57,000 is presented in Table 6.

Table 6

Internal Research Support Programs

<u>Program</u>	<u>Faculty</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Award</u>
Summer Research	Rishav Bista	Economics	\$3,000
Summer Research	Maria Ciriza Lope	Spanish	\$3,000
Summer Research	Ashley Coles	Geography	\$3,000
Summer Research	Wesley Cray	Philosophy	\$3,000
Summer Research	Manochehr Dorraj	Political Science	\$3,000
Summer Research	Samuel Ross	Religion	\$3,000
Summer Research	Esther Texeira	Spanish	\$3,000
Mid-Career	Zack Hawley	Economics	\$5,000
Mid-Career	Santiago Pinon	Religion	\$5,000
Mid-Career	David Sandell	Anthropology	\$5,000
Grant Incentive	Sean Crotty/Mark Daku	Geography/Political Science	\$5,000
Grant Incentive	Alex Hidalgo	History	\$5,000
Grant Incentive	Kara Vuic	History	\$5,000
Interdisciplinary	Stacie McCormick, et al.	English	\$3,000
Interdisciplinary	Kiril Tochkov	Economics	<u>\$3,000</u>
		Total	\$57,000

- In addition to the AddRan College awards, TCU offers other research and creativity support available to faculty across the university. AddRan College faculty receiving awards include funding for the Junior Faculty Summer Research Program (JFSRP), Research and Creative Activity Fund (RCAF), and the Instructional Development Grand (IDF). AddRan faculty receiving these awards are summarized in Table 7. A total of 12 faculty received \$77,550 from these respective programs.

Table 7

<u>Program</u>	<u>Faculty</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Award</u>
JFSRP	Joseph Darda	English	\$6,000
JFSRP	Dongwoo Kim	Economics	\$6,000
JFSRP	Weiwei Liu	Economics	\$6,000
JFSRP	Michele Meitl	Criminal Justice	\$6,000
JFSRP	Jordan Peterson	Political Science	\$6,000
JFSRP	Samuel Ross	Religion	\$6,000
JFSRP	Alicia Smith-Tran	Sociology	\$6,000
RCAF	Jeannine Gailey	Sociology	\$4,500
RCAF	Benjamin Ireland	Modern Language Studies	\$4,500
RCAF	Dongwoo Kim	Economics	\$4,200
RCAF	Weiwei Liu	Economics	\$2,394
RCAF	Jordan Peterson	Political Science	\$4,500
RCAF	Samuel Ross	Religion	\$4,456
RCAF	Alicia Smith-Tran	Sociology	\$3,500
IDG	Zack Hawley	Economics	\$3,600
IDG	Gabi Kirilloff	English	\$3,600
IDG	John Lovett	Economics	<u>\$ 300</u>
		Total	\$77,550

- Three AddRan faculty were successful in receiving grants from external sources. Table 8 summarizes those faculty receiving awards which totaled \$26,600. (Table 8)

Table 8
External Funding Awards

<u>Faculty</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Funding Agency</u>	<u>Award</u>
David Colon	English	Smithsonian Institute	\$1,500
Carrie Currier	Political Science	The Freeman Foundation	\$17,600
Melanie Harris	Religion	Wabash Center	<u>\$7,500</u>
		Total	\$26,600

- Table 9 summarizes the scholarly and creative activity of AddRan faculty in 2019. Faculty from each of the departments clearly demonstrated their commitment to the teacher-scholar model which is a cornerstone of TCU. These efforts also speak to faculty efforts to raise the academic profile and institutional reputation of TCU. AddRan faculty published 21 books, 106 refereed articles, 55 chapters, 139 other publications, and presented at 258 regional, national and international meetings.

Table 9

AddRan College of Liberal Arts								
Research and Creative Activity Summary Matrix								
Department	Faculty (T&TT/Instr ¹)	Books	Refereed Articles	Chapters	Other Publications ²	Presentations ³	Grants I ⁴	E ⁵
Criminal Justice	9 (8/1)	1	9	2	0	13	1	0
Economics	14 (11/3)	1	12	2	2	22	8	1
English	30 (23/7)	5	9	11	67	58	7	1
Geography	6 (5/1)	0	11	0	0	6	4	1
History	19 (17/2)	5	5	16	20	30	2	1
MLS	8 (7/1)	0	8	2	2	17	2	2
Philosophy	6 (6/0)	0	11	0	0	12	1	0
Pol. Science	16 (15/1)	6	19	4	12	22	1	1
Religion	15 (13/2)	1	7	11	6	31	3	1
Sociology/Anthropology	13 (10/3)	2	11	6	29	24	3	0
Spanish	14 (8/6)	0	4	1	1	23	6	0
Total	150 (123/27)	21	106	55	139	258	38	8

¹ Instructors are not required to conduct research or publish, but such scholarly activity is undertaken by instructors in AddRan College.

² Other Publications could include such items as book reviews and poems.

*Poems

**Book Reviews

***Encyclopedia Entries

****Other Creative Work

*****Translation

³ International, National, Regional

⁴ Internal – TCU, Status: Accepted, Rejected, Pending, Dollar Award

⁵ External – Some are to Foundation and Learned Societies and not recorded through the Office of Sponsored Research, Status: Accepted, Rejected, Pending, Dollar Award

- The AddRan Festival of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity is co-directed by Drs. David Sandell and Keith Whitworth from the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. For 2019 the festival was held on April 4-5. The number of presentations for the 2019 event was 63, with no paper poster sessions included. (Table 10)

Table 10

Festival of Undergraduate Scholarship and Creative Activity

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Paper Presentations	68	45	59	62	63
Poster Presentations	4	0	0	7	0

Due to the closing of TCU during the spring 2020 semester this report was abbreviated and did not include information on the Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow (SURF) program coordinated by Dr. Peter Worthing, or information on Professional Development Reviews (PDRs).

5. Progress on 2019 Goals for AddRan College

- The 2019 edition of the Back-to-Class event was one of the most successful from an attendance and fundraising perspective. Held on March 26, 2019, the event drew an audience of over 250 people and raised approximately \$50,000.
- The implementation of the Vision in Action: Lead On Strategic Plan was focused on DEI efforts under the direction of Dr. Dawn Elliott, the AddRan College Diversity Advocate. A significant part of these efforts focused on best hiring practices for faculty recruiting and the compilation of input for the DEI Inventory.
- Dean Schoolmaster worked to update the Lead On: Strategic Plan, complete the 2019 annual report, and coordinate the appointment of replacement chairs so that the new Dean will not face any immediate reporting or personnel actions.
- The search for a new Dean was started in the fall 2019 semester and resulted in the appointment of Dr. Sonja Watson from the University of Texas at Arlington.
- During 2019, 12 new members were added to the AddRan Board of Visitors bringing the total membership to 40.
- The AddRan Development Plan was updated during the fall 2019 semester under the direction of Ms. Kathy Fletcher and Dean Andy Schoolmaster.
- As shown in Table 11 very little progress was made in reducing our use of contingent faculty. This remains a significant challenge for the college.
- Dean Schoolmaster outlined the college intentions of developing a Center for Student Success that could be housed in the first floor space of Scharbauer Hall currently occupied by the Honors

College. The space will become vacant when the Honors College moves to Sadler Hall after it is converted to academic space. Provost Teresa Dahlberg has been informed of this plan.

6. Goals for AddRan College 2020

- Continue to implement AddRan College of Liberal Arts Vision in Action: Lead On Strategic Plan.
- Facilitate a smooth transition from Dean Schoolmaster to Dean Sonja Watson who was selected as the new Dean of the AddRan College of Liberal Arts in February, 2020.

7. Challenges for AddRan College

- The use of contingent faculty to cover sections remains a problem. While new full-time faculty lines have been added the size of the incoming first-year class presents problems, especially in English, in other departments offering classes in the TCU Core Curriculum and in popular majors such as Criminal Justice and Economics. The use of contingent faculty to cover sections by subject discipline and department is presented in Table 11. The primary users of contingent faculty remain the Departments of Criminal Justice, Economics, English, History, Sociology and Political Science. Across the college contingent faculty were used to cover 190 classes. New full-time faculty were hired in History and Criminal Justice which should help with this problem in those units.
- Office space for faculty continues to be a problem often resulting in multiple lecturers, especially in English, having to share offices. The office space for graduate students in Reed Hall is also inadequate. We hope there will be some relief when the Honors College moves to Sadler Hall in 2021. Classroom space is also a challenge, especially in Reed Hall where the furniture is outdated and not conducive to the flexibility required for modern pedagogy. A first step taken in the process was the renovation of Reed Hall 223 during summer of 2019.

Table 11

AddRan College of Liberal Arts						
Contingent Utilization						
Discipline	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	Total
Anthropology	2	4	2	1	5	14
Arab	4	2	-	-	-	6
Chinese	8	9	5	4	6	32
Criminal Justice	48	39	48	48	46	229
Economics	36	36	37	40	35	184
English	20	20	19	32	35	126
French	1	0	0	1	3	5
Geography	4	9	11	8	9	41
German	-	0	0	0	0	0
History	20	23	25	29	29	126
Italian	-	0	0	0	0	0
Japanese	6	5	4	4	4	23
Philosophy	0	0	0	3	1	4
Political Science	11	14	10	8	12	55
Religion	8	8	7	9	7	39
Sociology	18	21	20	15	11	85
Spanish	4	3	7	3	7	24
Total	190	193	195	205	210	993

