### ~ MARK YOUR CALENDAR! ~

## BROWN BAG LUNCH Assertively Supporting Students with Mental Health Issues

Tuesday, October 30, 2018 OR

Friday, November 2, 2018

CELTSS HH 208, 11:30-1:00

Dr. Chip Sachs and Rupal Bhatt will share ideas and resources to help faculty best support students in distress.

### SCHOLARS ON THE HILL

Friday, November 9, 2018 1839 Room, 2:30 – 4:00

Faculty who received CELTSS funding in AY2017-18 will share their scholarly and creative work.

### **JANUARY DAY**

Wednesday, January 9, 2019 McCarthy Center, 9:00 – 3:00

Faculty members present their pedagogical theories and innovative teaching practices, along with ideas to enhance student advising.

### SPRING LYCEUM LECTURE

Thursday, March 28, 2019

Alumni Room, 5:00 – 7:00

Dr. Luis Rosero presents: Is your piggy bank too big? International Reserve Accumulation in Latin America



# **EXPLORATION** & INNOVATION

A Celebration of the 2018 Distinguished Faculty Awards

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2018

MCCARTHY CENTER, FORUM

5-7 P.M.



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5 p.m. RECEPTION

5:15 p.m. WELCOME

Dr. Linda Vaden-Goad Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

**INTRODUCTION** 

Dr. Jon Huibregtse Director, CELTSS

5:30 p.m. PRESENTATION

Dr. Amanda Simons Department of Biology

5:45 p.m. PRESENTATION

Dr. Xavier Guadalupe-Diaz Department of Sociology

6:00 p.m. PRESENTATION

Dr. Kelly Matthews Department of English

6:15 p.m. PRESENTATION

Dr. Elaine Beilin

Department of English

6:30-7 p.m. QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION

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### Distinguished Faculty 2018



Amanda Simons, PhD
AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

Dr. Simons is an excellent teacher who cares about how her students are learning and the experiences that they have during their undergraduate education. She has been an innovator in investigating and introducing new teaching techniques in her classroom. This includes moving away from lecture-based classrooms and reducing the number of exams in her courses in favor of smaller assignments that focus on learning and applying material, rather than memorization. Dr. Simons was instrumental in the establishment of the Professional Science Masters (PSM) program on campus.



Xavier Guadalupe-Diaz, PhD

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SCHOLARSHIP OR CREATIVE WORK

Dr. Guadalupe-Diaz's scholarly productivity at FSU is extensive. His areas of research specialization include violence in intimate relations; gender and sexuality; social inequalities and the criminal justice system; and applied sociology. His work has been published in several peer-reviewed journals, books and encyclopedias. He also has two book manuscripts under contract that are scheduled to be published over the next two years. Dr. Guadalupe-Diaz has served as a mentor to students in research methods and beyond. He empowers students and leads them to achieve skill and appreciation for the conduct of social research.



Kelly Matthews, PhD

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ADVISING/MENTORING

Dr. Matthews puts an amazing amount of time and care into her role as an academic advisor on campus. She advises a high percentage of Secondary Education minors, helping them navigate both the English major and the MA State Licensure process for Education. She has established a network of professional partnerships with school districts in the region, which allow her to serve as an effective reference for field placements and jobs after graduation. Dr. Matthews is also the Program Coordinator for Liberal Studies. This role incorporates many of the duties of a department chair, including evaluating each student's previous coursework and constructing individualized academic programs of study leading to graduation.



Elaine Beilin, PhD

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Dr. Beilin has been an invaluable member of the English Department at Framingham State for 33 years. She was the founding co-director of the Center for Excellence in Learning, Teaching, Scholarship, and Service (CELTSS) and recently served as its director. She has mentored dozens of faculty members who aspire to have careers as impactful and rewarding as hers has been. Dr. Beilin helped establish the CELTSS peer-mentoring program for new faculty and has overseen the awarding of hundreds of thousands of dollars in grants to faculty members to support research, conference presentations, and innovation in teaching. Nearly half of the English Department's full time faculty were hired during Dr. Beilin's 11 years as Chair and she played an important role in their professional developments as teachers, scholars, and citizens in our community.