Internal Grant Programs Workshop

Wednesday, April 17
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
SEC Room
Russell House, Room 201

Interdisciplinary Review Panel

Jay Bender, Visiting Professor, Reid H. Montgomery Freedom of Information Chair, School of Journalism and Mass Communications, College of Mass Communications and Information Studies (Committee member, Humanities and Social Sciences)

Jay Bender specializes in media law and is also a member of the faculty of the Law School. He practices law and represents the South Carolina Press Association. He has also written two books on South Carolina media law. In addition, Jay Bender is a permanent member of the Judicial Conference of the Fourth Circuit and a member of the Task Force on Electronic Access to Court Records, which was established by Chief Justice Jean Toal of the South Carolina Supreme Court.

Jeff Campbell, Assistant Professor, Department of Retailing, College of Hospitality, Retail, and Sport Management (Grant recipient and committee member, Social Sciences)

Professor Campbell teaches courses in small business organization and operation, retail management strategies, and advanced merchandise management strategies. His research interests include consumer behavior, locally produced foods, sustainable retailing, and small business.

Denise Finneran, Assistant Professor, Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders, Arnold School of Public Health (Grant recipient and committee member, Social Sciences)

Professor Finneran is the director of the Language Development Research Laboratory. Her areas of interest include language development and disorders in preschool-age and school-age children. She is also interested in language impairment, grammar, working memory, and American English dialects.

David Miller, Carolina Distinguished Professor of English and Comparative Literature, Director of Center for Digital Humanities, Department of English, College of Arts and Sciences (Committee member, Humanities)

Professor Miller is a specialist in English Renaissance literature with publications on Shakespeare, Spenser, Marlowe and Jonson, and on the motif of filial sacrifice in Western literature. He is also the director of the Center for Digital Humanities.

Tara Powell, Associate Professor, Department of English, College of Arts and Sciences (Grant recipient and committee member, Creative and Performing Arts)

Tara Powell is the author of Physical Science (2010), a chapbook of poems, and a book of literary scholarship called The Intellectual in Twentieth-Century Southern Literature (2012). Current research projects include New South verse memoirs, Italian-Americans in Appalachia, foodways in southern literature, and portrayals of the South in literature and film.

Diane Stephens, Professor, and Swearingen Chair of Education, Department of Instruction and Teacher Education, College of Education (Committee member, Humanities)

Professor Stephens teaches courses in M.Ed. and Ph.D. programs for Language and Literacy. She is particularly interested in readers who do not find reading easy and helping teachers better support each child as a reader.

Alicia Walker, Assistant Professor, School of Music (Grant recipient and committee member, Creative and Performing Arts)

Professor Walker specializes in Choral Music Education. She also directs the University Chorus. She has directed choirs that have performed at Carnegie Hall and is an advocate for sacred choral music.

Qiana Whitted, Associate Professor, Department of African American Studies, College of Arts and Sciences (Grant recipient and committee member, Humanities)

Professor Whitted specializes in 20th century African-American literature and cultural studies, postmodern narrative, and American comic books and graphic novels.

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