

President's Report

**Oakland University
Board of Trustees
Monday, December 13, 2021**

**Ora Hirsch Pescovitz, M.D.
President**



AGENDA

- **Updates & OU Pride – Ora Hirsch Pescovitz, M.D.,
President**
- **College of Arts & Sciences -- Elaine Carey, Dean**

NOTE-worthy: Bold & Brassy

- Each year, the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) highlights students from a member institution.
- At AASCU's annual meeting in November, the Oakland University's Brass Band was featured.



**Our appreciation to OU students
and Professor Kenneth Kroesche.**

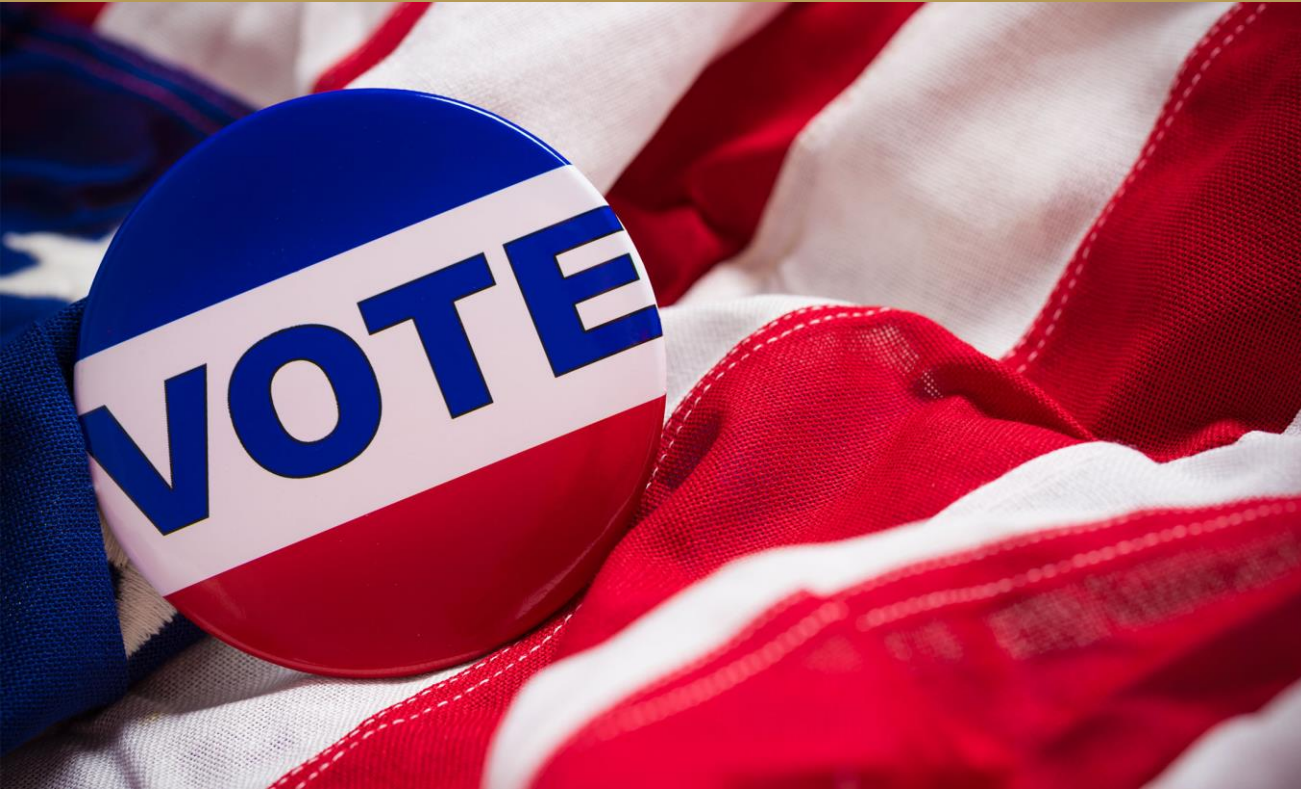


Congratulations OU Men's Soccer Team

- **Oakland University men's soccer team won the 2021 Horizon League regular season title and league championship.**
- **OU Senior Noah Jensen was named the Horizon League Tournament MVP award.**
- **Head Coach Eric Pogue was named Horizon League Coach of the Year.**
- **OU team earned an invitation to the NCAA Tournament. Lost to Northern Illinois, 2-1.**



STUDENT-VOTER ENGAGEMENT



- **2020 OU student voter participation rate was 73.4%, an increase of 16% from 2016, according to the Institute for Democracy & Higher Education (IDHE).**
- **OU's student participation is above the 66% rate of the more than 1,200 colleges and universities surveyed by IDHE.**
- **OU earned voter-friendly designation from Fair Elections Center's Campus Vote Project of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA).**
- **Appreciation to Professor Dave Dulio, Director, OU Center for Civic Engagement**

WINNING ETHICS

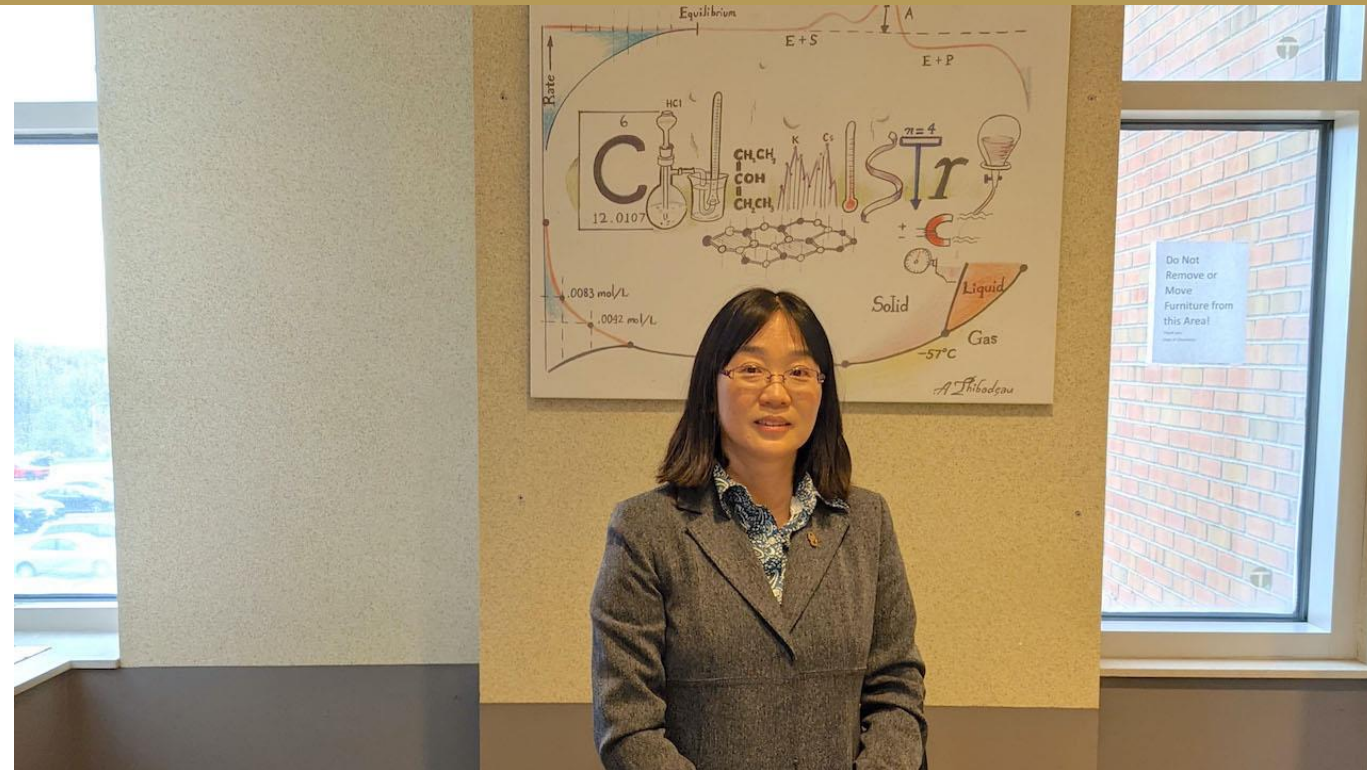
- **OU's Ethics Bowl Team went undefeated and placed third at the Central States Regional Ethics Bowl held at Marian University in Indianapolis in November.**
- **Intercollegiate Ethics Bowl is a debate competition that focuses on ethics cases in medicine, law, science, economics and society.**
- **The OU team, which earned a spot at a national tournament in February, is hosted by the Department of Philosophy.**



OU Ethics Bowl team members, from left: Lea Hilliker, John Rubarth, Bella Javier, Chad Schumacher and Erika Luft.

RESEARCH WITH WORLDWIDE IMPACT

- **Xiangqun Zeng and her OU group (Xiaoojun Liu and graduate students) are collaborating with U-M and MSU researchers to create wearable devices that monitor exposure to air pollutants.**
- **The research is supported by a \$2.78M grant from the National Institutes of Health.**
- **Dr. Zeng currently has five other grants, including NIH funding to support ERI faculty research investigating sensor molecules in the eye.**



Dr. Xiangqun Zeng is the OU Distinguished Professor of Analytical Chemistry, and a recipient of the Frank Giblin Lifetime Achievement Award.



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Elaine Carey, Ph.D.



- *Historian*
- *Expert on histories of social movements and crime*
- *Liberal Arts*



The Departments, Programs and the School



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Art and Art History
Biochemistry
Bioengineering
Biological Sciences
Chemistry
*Communication, Journalism and
Public Relations*
English
Environmental Science Program
History
International Studies Program
Liberal Studies Program
Linguistics
Mathematics and Statistics
Modern Languages and Literatures

School of Music, Theatre and Dance
Department of Music
Department of Theatre
Department of Dance
Philosophy
Physics
Political Science
Psychology
Religious Studies Program
*Sociology, Anthropology, Social Work and
Criminal Justice*
Writing and Rhetoric
Women and Gender Studies Program

The Faculty



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- 318 Full Time faculty members
- 198 Special Lecturers
- 183 Lecturers
- 19 Visiting Full Time professors

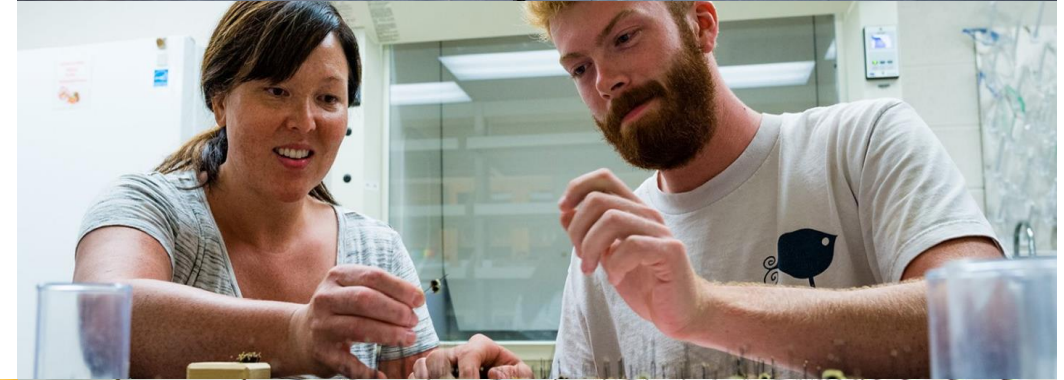


The Students



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- 4,617 Undergraduate Students
- 232 Masters Students
- 114 Doctoral Students



The College



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- More than 80 Academic Majors
- 23 Masters Programs
- 8 Doctoral Programs:
 - Doctor of Philosophy in Applied and Computational Physics
 - Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Mathematical Sciences with specializations in:
 - Applied Continuous Mathematics
 - Applied Discrete Mathematics
 - Applied Statistics
 - Doctor of Philosophy in Biological and Biomedical Sciences
 - Doctor of Philosophy in Biomedical Sciences: Health and Environmental Chemistry
 - Doctor of Philosophy in Biomedical Sciences: Medical Physics
 - Doctor of Philosophy in Music Education
 - Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology



The Centers



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- Center for Biomedical Research
- Barry M. Klein Center for Culture and Globalization
- Center for Civic Engagement
- Center for Ethics
- Center for Public Humanities
- Center for Religious Understanding
- English as a Second Language Institute



Our Liberal Arts History



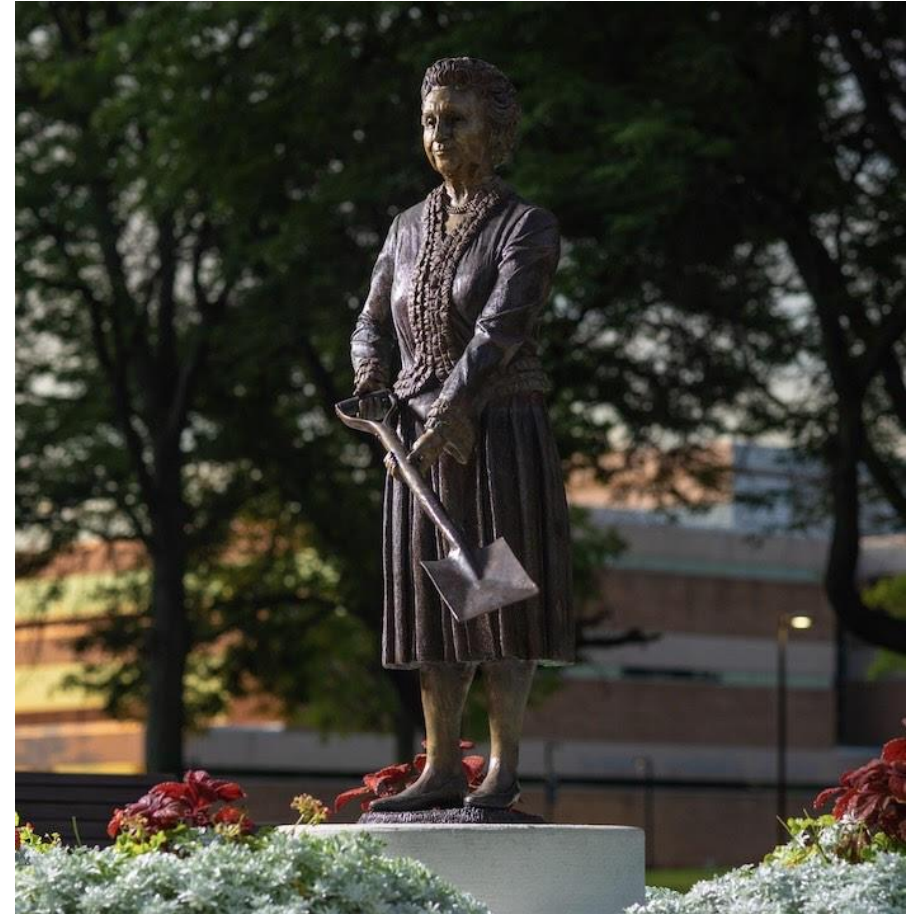
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- *Civic Responsibility*

- *Liberal Arts
Education*

Any education that matters is liberal. All the saving truths, all the healing graces that distinguish a good education from a bad one or a full education from a half empty one are contained in that word. The word liberal distinguishes whatever nourishes the mind and spirit from the training which is merely practical or from the trivialities which are no training at all.

~ Fmr. Senator Alan Simpson (R-Wyoming)



The Vision

Liberal Arts and Civic Engagement



*Essential to
Student Success*



Research and Scholarship

Community Engagement

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion,



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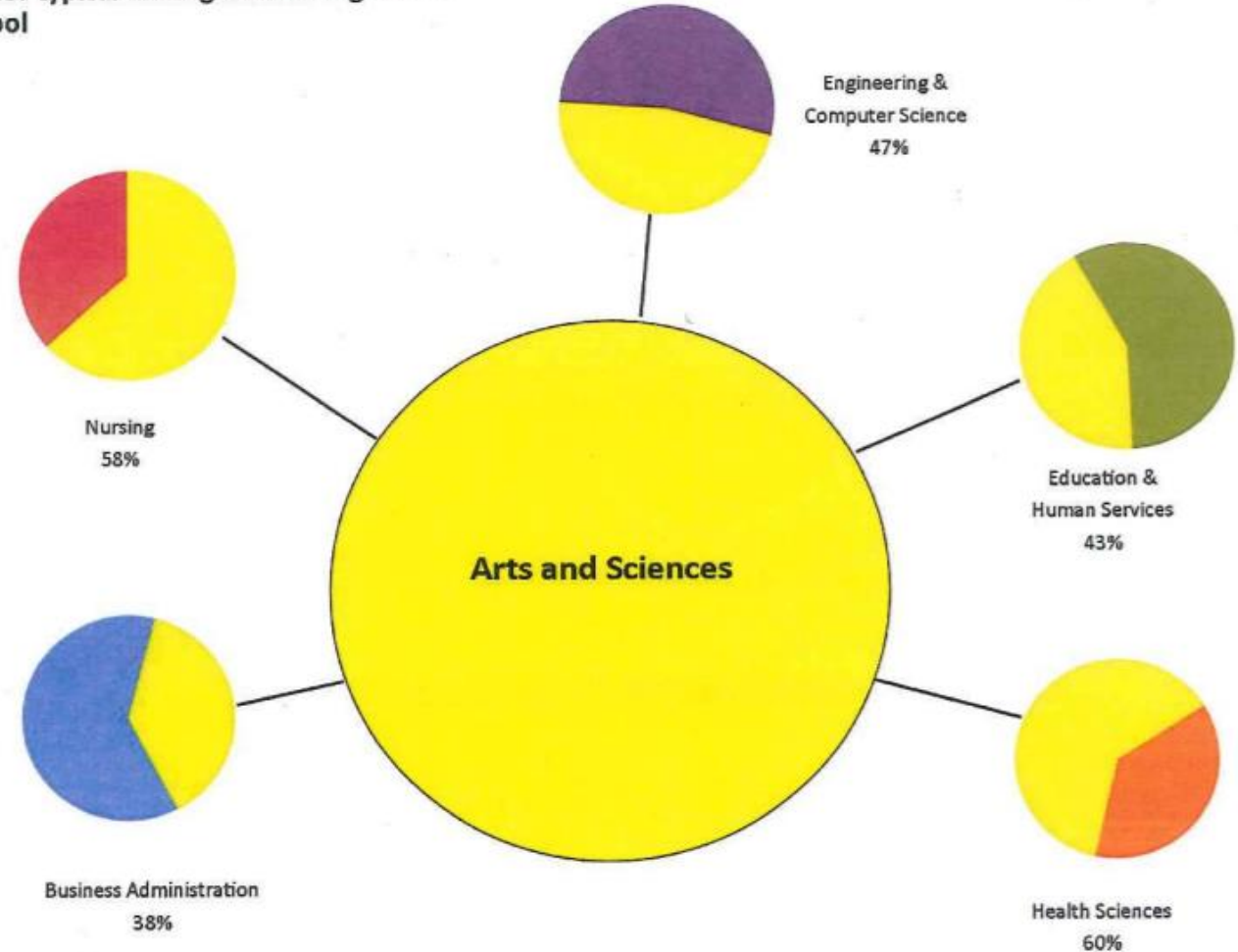
The College – The Heart of OU



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- All students are CAS students

Percentage of College of Arts and Sciences credits required for typical undergraduate degrees in each School



RAISE YOUR FLAGs

The College of Arts and Sciences Advantage



Innovation, Creativity and Technology

Ethically and efficiently use technology | Complete complex tasks and solve problems using a creative and innovative mindset | Seek out and recommend emerging tools and technologies

Example: Utilized InDesign to create promotional flyers and brochures for a student organization's upcoming event.



Teamwork and Collaboration

Build collaborative relationships with diverse students, alumni, staff and faculty members at OU | Work effectively in a team with multiple viewpoints while delivering outstanding outcomes

Example: Worked with other students in class to create and deliver a successful presentation on a marketing topic.



Critical Thinking and Problem Solving

Analyze issues, make decisions and overcome problems by obtaining and interpreting facts and data | Exercise reasoning to resolve errors and make complex decisions based on information researched and collected

Example: Helped solve a problem at an internship using marketing on a new social media platform.



Professionalism, Work Ethic and Integrity

Demonstrate effective work-habits like punctuality, time management and accountability | Understand the impact of verbal and non-verbal communication on professional work image | Use integrity to build trust and establish long-lasting rapport

Example: Recognized as employee of the month two times this year at a retail job.



Communication and Listening

Articulate thoughts effectively using written and oral communication skills | Understand that being a good listener is part of being a good communicator | Gain public speaking skills | Use writing and editing skills to express ideas clearly

Example: Effectively communicated with students in person, via email or over the phone at an on-campus job.



Career Management

Identify and set goals for employment while at OU or after graduation | Explore and identify strengths, areas for growth and career paths | Explore career options and take steps to self-advocate and pursue dream opportunities

Example: Completed an informational interview with Ford to make progress toward employment in the automotive industry.



Diversity and Inclusion

Value, respect and learn from diverse cultures, races, ages, genders, sexual orientations and religions | Demonstrate openness, inclusivity, sensitivity and respect when engaging and contributing to both the local and global community and interacting with people from various backgrounds, beliefs and abilities.

Example: Created a welcoming and inclusive environment for 45 freshman students from a variety of genders, races, sexual orientations and religions in an RA position.



Leadership

Leverage the strengths of team members | Use the Communication and Listening FLAG to coach and motivate the team as a whole | Assess and manage ideas and thoughts brought forward in the group | Organize, prioritize and delegate work

Example: Serve as a leader for the Anthropology club at OU by sitting on the e-board.

Department Highlights



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Biological Sciences

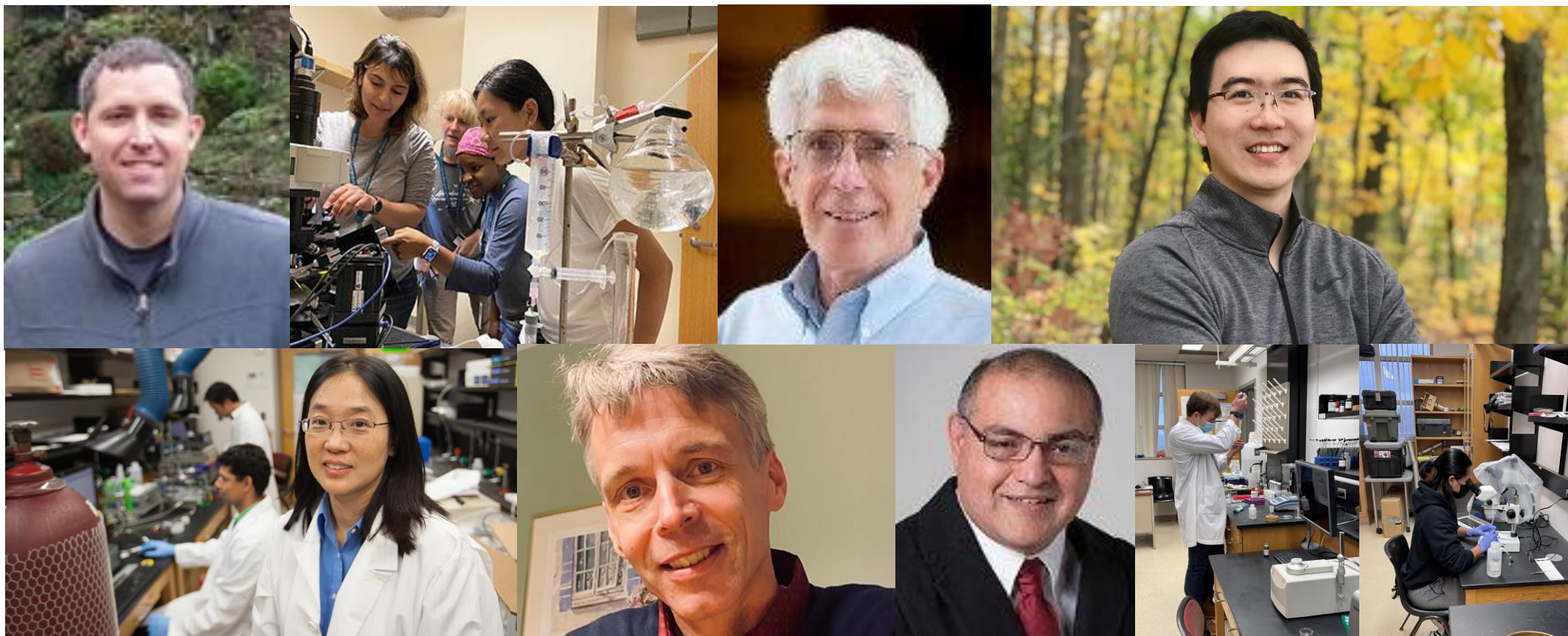


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Chemistry



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Communication, Journalism & Public Relations



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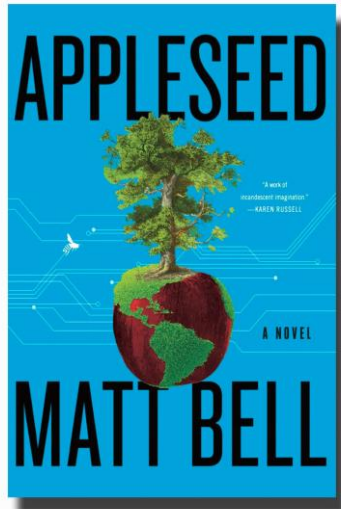


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English

GRIZZDANCE FILM FESTIVAL



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Linguistics



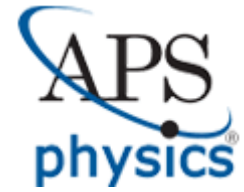
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Physics

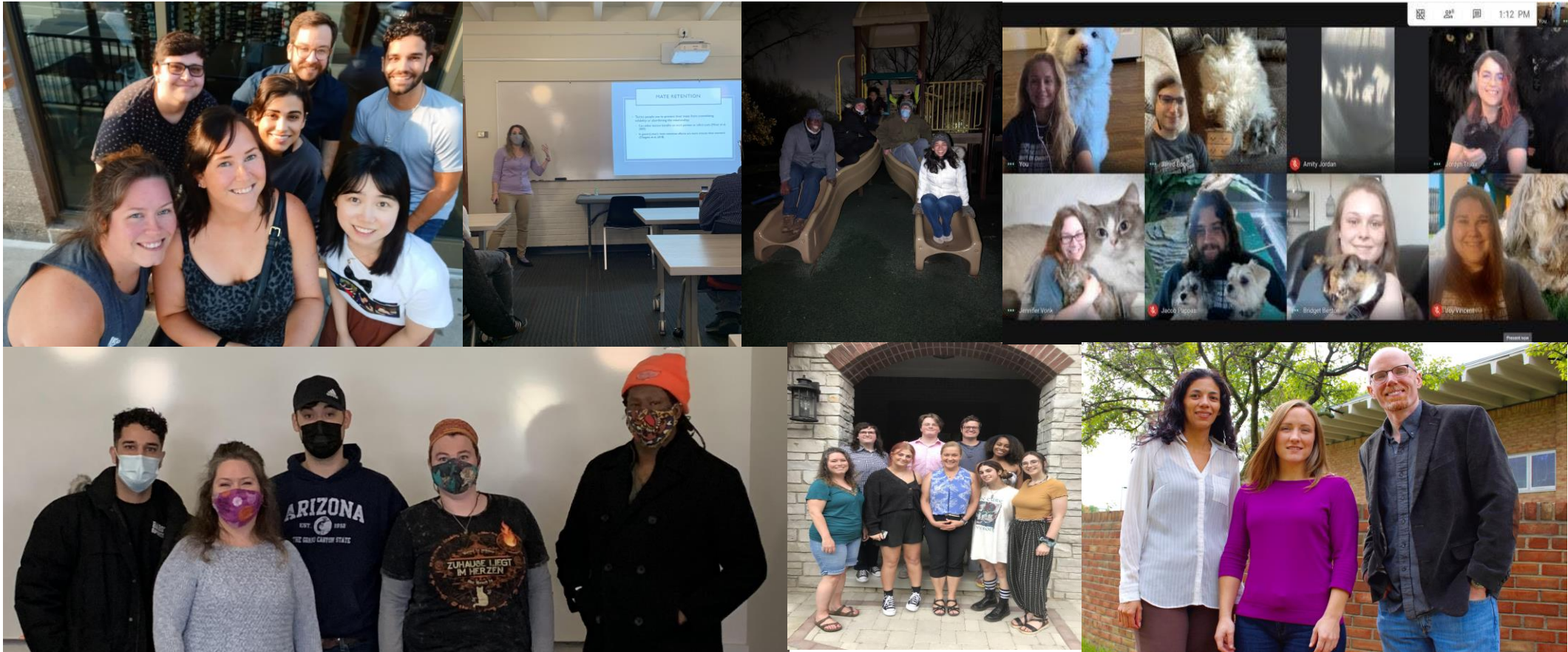


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Psychology

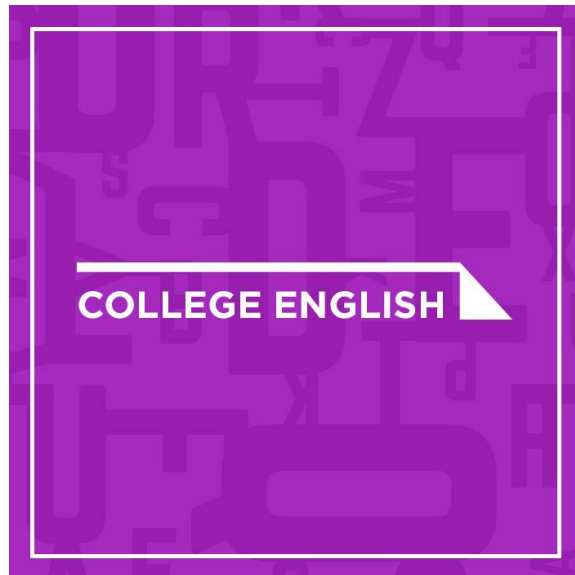


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Writing and Rhetoric



National Council of
Teachers of English



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Student Highlights

Victoria Ochs worked for the OU Math Bridge Program Summer 2020 as a dedicated "College Instructor" and Math Corp



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Student Highlights

Jeremy Johnson's work with the Center for Civic Engagement was recognized by the Campus Vote Project fellowship.



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Potential Employers of CAS



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“We love how Oakland University students and alumni demonstrate the qualities we value in Team members here at United Wholesale Mortgage. Their curiosity, drive, and commitment to working hard play a key role in the impact we make in communities across the nation. Hiring Oakland University students and alumni also play a large part in our commitment to hiring locally and supporting work in Southeast Michigan area.”

Bri Paolucci
United Wholesale Mortgage,
Talent Acquisition

Foundations



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*The College of
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foundation of
the Oakland
University*



Thank You

