

Fall 2018

Christopher Adams Education 09/01/18 to 01/21/19
Professor Adams would use his sabbatical to pursue his license as a Psychologist in the Commonwealth of Mass so that he can increase his teaching in our counseling program.

Marcel Beausoleil Behavioral Sciences 09/01/18 to 01/21/19
Professor Beausoleil would have three goals for his sabbatical: 1. Research on Academic Dishonesty. 2. New Program Development. 3. Revamp Theories and Practices of Policing Class.

Yasser Derwiche Djazaerly Humanities 09/01/18 to 01/21/19
This sabbatical would allow professor Djazaerly to complete one of his research projects, which deals with British travelers to the Arabian Peninsula in the second half of the nineteenth century.

Steven Edwards English Studies 09/01/18 to 01/21/19
Professor Edwards' objective for the use of his sabbatical would be to complete a novel he has been in the process of drafting over the last year and a half. This would allow him time to write, travel for research, edit, and begin the process of seeking representation and publication.

Sean Rollins Biology/Chemistry 09/01/18 to 01/21/19
Professor Rollins proposes to complete, submit and revise, based on peer-review, between 2 and 4 primary research or review manuscripts; he currently has 4 manuscripts in draft form; a minimum of 2 manuscripts will be submitted for publication.

Abdulkeni Zekeria Mathematics 09/01/18 to 01/21/19
Professor Zekeria's plan for his sabbatical is to author textbook for Technical Calculus.

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Patricia Arend Behavioral Sciences 01/22/19 to 05/31/19
Professor Arend's objective is to complete the writing of her book, *Dream Weddings: Fantasy, Femininity and Consumer Desire*.

Laura Baker EHPS 01/22/19 to 05/31/19
Professor Baker would continue her work in research program to focus on local history, and improving her teaching using online technologies and pedagogies.

Rala Diakite Humanities 01/22/19 to 05/31/19
Professor Diakite would work on an ongoing project, a multi-volume translation of Giovanni Villani's *New Chronicle*, a fourteenth century Italian historical text.

Anne Howard Education 01/22/19 to 05/31/19
Professor Howard plans to update our knowledge on evidence-based practices for students with severe disabilities; make sure all evidenced-based practices for students with severe disabilities are addressed at Level 2 or Level 3 in required courses leading to initial and professional licensure; support undergraduate and graduate faculty to become familiar with evidence-based practices for students with severe disabilities; and better understand the challenges faced by supervising practitioners in partner schools as they seek to implement evidence-based practices with their students, and provide support for these supervising practitioners.

Mathangi Krishnamurthy Biology/Chemistry 01/22/19 to 05/31/19
Professor Krishnamurthy plans to conduct full-time research in the chemistry research laboratories at Fitchburg State. She will be working on two projects to collect data that could be used toward publication in scientific journals and also for future grant proposals to external funding agencies. The research addresses the use of a specific molecule that will improve manufacturing.

Monica Maldari Exercise and Sports Science 01/22/19 to 05/31/19
Professor Maldari's planned activities during sabbatical would include preparing a manuscript for publication and enrolling in a Wellcoaching course.

Irene Martyniuk English Studies 01/22/19 to 05/31/19
Professor Martyniuk will be simultaneously working on 3 different projects: 1. Revise and thoroughly revamp an older, outdated class from the English Studies curriculum. 2. Continue her ongoing studies of the literature of and about Afghanistan. 3. A less arduous but a vital part of her Ukrainian identity, she intends to read Oles Honchar's *The Cathedral* in translation and then examine its role in world literature.

Kevin McCarthy Communications Media 01/22/19 to 05/31/19
Professor McCarthy plans to research a short documentary film subject (a short is defined as a film under 60 minutes) and prepare extensively for its production. He is most interested in producing a character-driven documentary covering themes that will appeal to a broad audience.

Audrey Pereira Business Administration 01/22/19 to 05/31/19
Professor Pereira's overall purpose of her sabbatical would be to explore deep learning as it relates to higher education F2F and online courses in an effort to discern methods to improve upon faculty instruction and student learning in both modalities.

David Svolba Humanities 01/22/19 to 05/31/19
Professor Svolba's principal goal while on sabbatical would be to prepare a book proposal that can be sent to academic publishers. In addition to preparing a sample table of contents, the proposal would highlight features that should make our work particularly well-suited to our students and, indeed, to undergraduate students everywhere.

Elisabet Takehana English Studies 01/22/19 to 05/31/19
Professor Takehana's plans on working on three research projects: 1. Annotated 50th Anniversary Edition of Robert Cormier's *The Chocolate War*. 2. Stylometry project. 3. Digital humanities programming.

Kisha Tracy English Studies 01/22/19 to 05/31/19
Professor Tracy would, keeping with her continued production of scholarship, engage in writing a book of approximately 45,000-50,000 words entitled *Cultural Heritage and Engaging the Skeptic of Pre-Modern Studies*. The goal would be to complete this book and submit it to the Arc Humanities Press cultural heritage series for publication May 2019.

Paul Weizer EHPS 01/22/19 to 05/31/19
Professor Weizer will work on a scholarly monograph project, a revised edition of his 2004 book *How to Please the Court: A Moot Court Handbook*, with the intention of completing revisions and having the book in press with a leading legal publisher.

Richard Wiebe

Behavioral Sciences

01/22/19 to 05/31/19

Professor Wiebe intends to (a) conduct a study of homeless adults in Providence, RI, using both qualitative and quantitative methods (b) complete the integrative criminology book he currently has in progress, and (c) continue to work on his existing projects on substance abuse and recovery, homeless adolescents, and delinquency prevention. If time permits, he will begin work on a follow-up book on the psychology of crime.

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Katherine Jewell

EHPS

09/01/18 to 05/31/19

Professor Jewell will be completing the research and drafting her next book project, *Live from the Underground: College Radio in the Era of the Culture Wars*, which reconstructs the history of college radio since stations' FM debut in the 1960s through the "digital disruptions" of the 2000s.