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Kellie Maranto

Kellie graduated from SUNY Fredonia in 1992 and went on to teach for Wellsville High School as a French and Spanish teacher. She then moved to Annapolis, Maryland, where she taught middle school and high school. She was a lead member of the team that created the Maryland State LOTE curriculum for Anne Arundel County. When Kellie returned to New York State, she taught at Sweet Home Middle. She completed her Masters in Education at Niagara University in 2002 and has been working at Amherst High School since 2003. She teaches French (levels 1-5 in the NUSTEP program) and Spanish (levels 1-3), is a mentor teacher and department chairperson. At the district level, Kellie has presented at many staff development days. Kellie is very involved in AATF, NYSAFLT and WNYFLEC. She has held many officer positions in the WNYFLEC organizations. She is entering her 4th year as 1st vice-president.

Dr. Caitlin Riegel

Dr. Caitlin Riegel holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Education with a concentration in secondary mathematics, as well as a Master of Science Degree in Special Education from Niagara University. She also earned her doctorate in Leadership and Policy from Niagara University, where she focused on developing an instrument to measure how often Teacher Candidates model and apply the 2017 International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) Standards for Educators in Teacher Preparation programs. Dr. Riegel joined Niagara University as an Adjunct Professor in 2015. She is currently teaching education courses in the College of Education and mathematics courses in College of Arts & Sciences. She has published articles and presented at conferences in areas including, but not limited to, teacher preparation, educational technology, 21st century learning, and students with exceptional needs. In addition to academia, she was driven by her own competitive figure skating career and passion for the sport to coach competitive figure skaters in the Western New York area.

Edith White

Edith White is a 1998 graduate of the University of Buffalo with a Bachelor's of Science in Biology and a 1999 graduate of Niagara University with a Master's of Science in Education. She has taught 7th grade science, Living Environment, SUNY/AP Biology, SUPA Forensics and Regents Chemistry throughout her nineteen years teaching in Lockport City Schools. Edith has been a long-standing member of STANYS and is currently the Subject Area Representative for Chemistry for the Northwest Region. She has been a building level union representative for 2 terms and has just completed 4 years of intensive, teacher-directed professional development through the Master Teacher Program at Buffalo State.



Student Teacher ShowCase

Presented by...

NIAGARA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Wednesday, May 2, 2018
Academic Complex - Room 351
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

716.286.8511 / grad-ed@niagara.ed / www.niagara.edu/education

The College of Education welcomes you to Niagara University's Student Teacher Showcase! This event allows students to "go public" before taking the leap into full-time practice. Candidates present work they have completed during their Methods of Teaching course and interact with members of the local community as they prepare for student teaching. We encourage you to speak with candidates and provide suggestions about their ideas and achievements based on your various experiences.

A special welcome to Catherine Collins, NYS Regents Board Member. We are delighted that she has taken the time to join us this evening!

We would also like to recognize the following NU Alumni who have significantly contributed to the WNY & Ontario educational community...

Sarah English

Dr. Sarah English is a '95 graduate of the University of Rochester with a B.S. in Biology and a '98 graduate of Niagara University with a M.S. in Education. She received her Ph.D. in Science Education from the University at Buffalo in '06. Sarah has worked as a Peace Corps volunteer in West Africa, taught Chemistry at Sweet Home high school, and worked as an adjunct professor at the University at Buffalo teaching the science methods course prior to becoming a member of the first cohort of the NYS Master Teacher program. Sarah is vice chairperson, director and subject area representative (SAR) for the Western Region of STANYS and co-chair of the local chemistry organization Chemshare. She is passionate about working with chemistry teachers in the area and has presented at both local and national conferences, such as NSTA.

Elizabeth Freas

Elizabeth worked as a secondary social studies teacher in Buffalo, Henrietta G. Lewis Campus School, and at Orleans Niagara BOCES. She presently works as the Director of Instructional Technology and Professional Development at Erie 1 BOCES where she oversees a team of 40 coordinators who work with schools across the region to implement classroom technology and address changing curriculum needs. She is enrolled in a doctorate program for Educational Leadership and Policy Management. To stay close to her social studies roots, Elizabeth is the President of the Board of Directors for the Summer Institute for Human Rights and Genocide Studies in Buffalo.

Dr. Charles Gonzalez

Prior to receiving his PhD in Curriculum, Instruction, and the Science of Learning, Dr. Chaz H Gonzalez taught public school students and out-of-school youth for over a decade. As an adjunct professor throughout the Western New York area, he engages his future teachers in literature courses, digital composition classes, and the methods of teaching. Chaz's research focuses both on discovering ways to encourage and support pre-service (and in-service) teachers to be culturally relevant and on uncovering ways to develop new culturally sustaining pedagogies. Chaz is the co-chair of the Conference on English Education's Social Justice Commission and is a 2007 graduate of Niagara University's Secondary Education Master's program.

Shelley Hinchcliffe

Michelle Hinchcliffe is an '89 graduate of the University of Michigan and a '98 graduate of Niagara University with a Master's of Science in Education. She has taught 6th, 7th and 8th grade science, Living Environment, Regents Chemistry and Advanced Placement Chemistry throughout her 23 year teaching career. Currently, Shelly is a peer coordinator at Lewiston-Porter Central school district where she teaches Regents chemistry and AP chemistry. Her professional interests include working as an education specialist for NYSED, co-advising students involved in the International Student Science Fair program at LP, and serving as the director/chairperson for the Northwestern STANYS section. Shelly is in her third year of the New York Master Teacher Fellowship Program and has had the opportunity to present STEM related topics at local, state and national conferences. Accolades include the Menzie Environmental Education Award from the North American Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry, Outstanding High School Science Teacher of the Year from the WNY American Chemical Society, Award of Appreciation for her service as Chemistry Director at Large from STANYS, and Member of the Year from the Lewiston-Porter United Teachers Union.

Dan Johnson

Dan Johnson completed his B.S. at Florida Southern College in Psychology with a minor in Social Studies and his Master's and an Advanced Certificate from Niagara University. Dan has previously worked as a Middle School teacher for the Wilson Central School District and is currently the Principal at Wilson High School. Dan was named Teacher of the Year in 1994 by Niagara University and received the SAANYS James E. Allen Award.