

# University Officers, Deans, and Chairs

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**David H. Burdig**  
Chair

**Thomas W. Gunlock**  
Vice Chair

**Sandra Collins**  
Secretary

**Roderick Robinson**  
Treasurer

### Trustees

**2020 (2011) Mark E. Ridenour**

Sylvania, Ohio. B.S., Miami University.

**2021 (2012) Robert W. Shroder**

Warren, Ohio. B.S., Miami University; M.H.A., Xavier University.

**2022 (2011) David H. Budig**

Cincinnati, Ohio. B.S., Miami University.

**2023 (2013) Thomas W. Gunlock**

Centerville, Ohio. B.S., Miami University.

**2024 (2016) John C. Pascoe**

Worthington, Ohio. B.S., Miami University.

**2025 (2017) Sandra Collins**

Toledo, Ohio. B.S., M.S., J.D., Ohio State University.

**2026 (2017) Roderick Robinson**

Mason, Ohio. B.S., West Virginia University, Institute of Technology, M.B.A., University of Pennsylvania (Wharton).

**2027 (2018) Zachary Haines**

Cincinnati, Ohio. B.A., Miami University

## National Trustees

**2019 (2013) John W. Altman (National Trustee)**

Reno, NV. B.A., Miami University; M.A., Fuller Theological Seminary; L.H.D., Miami University, Phillips Graduate Institute, Sierra Nevada College.

**2019 (2013) Terry Hershey (National Trustee)**

Bonita Springs, FL. A.B., Miami; M.P.A., Northern Illinois University; M.B.A., Columbia University.

**2020 (2018) C. Michael Armstrong (National Trustee)**

Naples, FL. B.S., Miami university; LL.D., Pepperdine University, Loyola Marymount University, Shenandoah University, Miami University, Johns Hopkins University; D.Eng, Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

**2020 (2014) Robert Coletti (National Trustee)**

B.S. Miami University; J.D., University of Cincinnati.

**2020 (2014) Diane Perlmutter (National Trustee)**

Landrum, South Carolina, B.A., Miami University.

## Student Trustees

**2020 (2018) Megan Cremeans**

Somerset, Ohio.

## President's Executive Cabinet

**Gregory P. Crawford (2016)**

President; Professor, Physics  
B.S. Kent State University, 1987; M.A., 1988; Ph.D., 1991.

**Phyllis Callahan (1988)**

Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs;  
Professor, Biology  
B.S. Fairleigh Dickinson University, 1974; M.S., 1981; Ph.D., Rutgers University, 1986.

**David K. Creamer (2008)**

Senior Vice President for Finance and Business Services and Treasurer  
B.B.A., Ohio University, 1976; M.S., Kent State University, 1986; Ph.D., 1990.

**Jayne Brownell (2014)**

Vice President for Student Life  
B.A., Rutgers University, 1989; M.A., Columbia University, 1995; M.Ed., 1996, Ed.D., 2002.

**Thomas W. Herbert, III (2012)**

Senior Vice President for University Advancement and Executive Director of the Miami University Foundation  
B.A., Northwestern University, 1989; J.D., Illinois Institute of Technology.

**Michael Kabbaz (2011)**

Senior Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Success  
B.S., Xavier University 1997; M.B.A., 2000.

**David Seidl (2018)**

Chief Information Officer and Vice President for Information Technology  
B.S., Eastern Michigan University, 2000; M.L.S., 2002.

**Robin Parker (1994)**

General Counsel  
B.S., Ohio State University, 1979; J.D., University of Tennessee, 1982.

**Cliff Peale (2017)**

Director of Executive Communications  
B.A., Williams College, 1987; M.A., American University, 1991.

**Ted Pickerill (2005)**

Secretary to the Board of Trustees and Executive Assistant to the President  
B.S. U.S. Naval Academy, 1984; M.A. Salve Regina University, 1992; M.B.A. University of Nebraska, 1998.

**David Saylor (2012)**

Director of Intercollegiate Athletics  
B.A., Ohio Wesleyan University, 1991; M.A., University of Connecticut 1996.

**Ronald Scott (1988)**

Vice President for Institutional Diversity and Inclusion  
B.A., Pennsylvania State University, 1973; M.S., University of Utah, 1980; Ph.D., University of Utah, 1984.

**Michele Gaither Sparks (2019)**

Vice President and Chief Communications and Marketing Officer  
B.A., Asbury University, 1991.

**Randi Malcom Thomas (1989)**

Director of Institutional Relations  
B.A., Miami University, 1988; M.A., 1990; J.D., Vanderbilt, 1993.

**Dawn Tsirelis (2011)**

Assistant to the President  
B.A., Marietta College, 1989; M.B.A., University of Georgia, 1991.

## Deans

**College of Arts and Science**

Christopher Makaroff (1989)  
Professor, Chemistry & Biochemistry  
B.S., University of Michigan-Dearborn, 1981; Ph.D., Purdue University, 1986.

**College of Creative Arts**

Elizabeth Mullenix (2006)  
Professor, Theatre  
B.A., University of Vermont, 1988; M.A., University of Illinois, 1991; Ph.D., 1995.

**College of Education, Health and Society**

Michael Dantley (2015)  
Professor, Educational Leadership  
B.A., University of Pennsylvania, 1972; M.Ed., Miami University, 1976; Ed.D., University of Cincinnati, 1986..

**College of Engineering and Computing**

Marek Dollár (2000)  
Professor, Engineering Science  
B.S., Stanislaw Staszic (Poland), 1974; M.S., 1975; Ph.D., 1981.

**Farmer School of Business**

Marc Rubin (1990)  
Professor, Accountancy  
B.S., Miami University, 1975; M.A., University of Illinois, 1977; Ph.D., University of Texas, 1985.

**Graduate School**

James Oris (1986)  
Dean/Associate Provost  
Distinguished Professor of Biology  
B.A., Wittenberg University, 1979; Ph.D., Michigan State University, 1985.

**University Librarian**

Jerome Conley (1992)  
Dean, University Librarian and Associate Librarian  
B.A., Indiana University, 1988; M.S.L.S., 1990.

**John E. Dolibois European Center**

Thierry Leterre (2009)  
Professor, Political Science  
B.A., Sorbonne University (France), 1984; M.A., University of Picardie (France), 1985; M.A., Paris X University (France), 1988; Ph.D., Sorbonne University (France), 1999.

**Miami University Hamilton, Middletown and Voice of America**

**College of Liberal Arts & Applied Science**

Catherine Bishop-Clark (1989)  
Dean/Associate Provost  
Professor, Computer & Information Technology  
B.S., University of Dayton, 1986; M.S., University of Cincinnati, 1989; Ed.D., 1994.

## Academic Departments and Chairs

**Accountancy**

Andrew Reffett (2008)  
B.S., Purdue University, 1999; Ph.D., University of Illinois, 2007.

**Aerospace Studies**

Allison Galford, Lt. Colonel, USAF (2016)  
B.S., United States Air Force Academy, 1998; M.S., George Mason University, 2006.

**Anthropology**

M. Cameron Hay-Rollins (2005)  
B.A., Grinnell College, 1988; M.A., Emory University, 1992; Ph.D., Emory University, 1998.

**Architecture and Interior Design**

Graham Cairns (2018)  
B.A., Liverpool John Moores University (UK), 1992; B. Arch, University of Lincolnshire and Humberside (UK), 1997; M.A., Hull School of Architecture, 1999; Ph.D., Escuela Tecnica Superior de Arquitectura de Madrid (Spain), 2005.

**Art**

Robert Robbins (2017)  
B.F.A., The Columbus College of Art & Design, 1990; M.F.A., Yale University, 1992.

**Biological Sciences**

Paul Harding (2001)

B.S., Ohio University, 1987; M.S., 1990; Ph.D., 1990.

### **Biology**

Thomas Crist (1994)

B.A., McPherson College, 1982; M.S., Yale University, 1984; Ph.D., Utah State University, 1990.

### **Chemical, Paper and Biomedical Engineering**

Keith Hohn (1995)

B.S., University of Kansas, 1995; Ph.D., University of Minnesota, 1999.

### **Chemistry and Biochemistry**

Michael Crowder (1995)

B.S., College of William & Mary, 1988; Ph.D., University of Virginia, 1993.

### **Classics**

Steven Tuck (2001)

B.A., Indiana University, 1986; Ph.D., University of Michigan, 1997.

### **Commerce**

Theodore B. Light (2003)

B.B.A., University of Cincinnati, 1974; M.B.A., 1975; Ph.D., 1993.

### **Comparative Religion**

James Hanges (1997)

B.A., Miami University, 1985; M.A., 1987; Ph.D., University of Chicago, 1999.

### **Computer and Information Technology**

Marianne Murphy (2014)

B.A., Youngstown State University, 1978; MBA, Kent State University, 1994; Ph.D., Arizona State University, 1997.

### **Computer Science and Software Engineering**

James Kiper (1986)

B.A., Olivet Nazarene College, 1975; M.S., Ohio State University, 1978; Ph.D., 1985.

### **Economics**

Melissa Thomasson (1998)

B.S., University of Puget Sound, 1992; M.A., University of Arizona, 1993; Ph.D., 1998.

### **Education and Society**

Garry Bowyer (1989)

B.S., Oklahoma State University, 1982; M.S., 1984; Ed.D., 1988.

### **Educational Leadership**

Thomas Poetter (1997)

B.A., Heidelberg College, 1985; M.A., Princeton Theological Seminary, 1988; Ph.D., Indiana University, 1994.

### **Educational Psychology**

Amity Noltemeyer (2010)

B.S., Xavier University, 2002; M.S., Miami University, 2003; Spec., Miami University, 2005; Ph.D., Kent State University, 2009.

### **Electrical and Computer Engineering**

Qihou Zhou (2002)

B.S., Harbin Institute of Technology (China), 1982; M.S., Pennsylvania State University, 1991; M.A., 1991; Ph.D., 1991.

### **Engineering Technology**

Ayodele Abatan (2006)

B.S., Ahmadu Bello University (Nigeria), 1971; M.S., Illinois, 1973; Ph.D., Virginia Polytechnic, 1976.

### **English**

Madelyn Detloff (2002)

B.A., University of Chicago, 1987; M.A., University of California, Santa Barbara, 1991; Ph.D., 1997.

### **Family Studies and Social Work**

Marie Elise Radina (2005)

B.A., Allegheny College, 1996; M.S., Miami University, 1998; Ph.D., University of Missouri, 2002.

### **Finance**

Joel Harper (2018)

B.B.A., Harding University, 1991; Ph.D., Oklahoma State University, 1996.

### **French and Italian**

Jonathan A. Strauss (1992)

B.A., Yale, 1982; M.A., New York, 1985; M.Phil., Yale, 1989; Ph.D., 1993.

### **Geography**

Marcia England (2007)

B.A., University of Washington, 1998; M.A., University of Washington, 2002; Ph.D., University of Kentucky, 2006.

### **Geology & Environmental Earth Science**

Elisabeth Widom (1997)

B.A., Cornell University, 1984; Ph.D., University of California, Santa Cruz, 1991.

### **German, Russian, Asian, and Middle Eastern Languages and Cultures**

Margaret Ziolkowski (1988)

B.A., Princeton University, 1973; M.A., Yale University, 1976; Ph.D., 1978.

### **Global and Intercultural Studies**

Walter Vanderbush (Interim) (1994)

B.A., College of Wooster, 1982; M.A., Northwestern University, 1989; Ph.D., 1993.

### **History**

Wietse de Boer (2003)

B.A. University of Amsterdam (The Netherlands), 1983; M.A., University of Amsterdam (The Netherlands), 1986; Ph.D., Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam (The Netherlands), 1995.

### **Humanities and Creative Arts**

Roscoe Wilson (2003)

B.A., Wabash College, 1997; M.A., Purdue University, 1999; M.F.A., University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2002.

### **Information Systems & Analytics**

John Benamati (1997)

B.S., Indiana University of Pennsylvania, 1984; M.S., Marist College, 1987; Ph.D., University of Kentucky, 1997.

### **Interdisciplinary and Communication Studies**

Helene Androne (2002)

M.A.T., University of Washington, 1998, Ph.D., 2002.

### **Justice and Community Studies**

John Forren (2000)

B.A., University of Chicago, 1989; Ph.D., Johns Hopkins University, 2001.

#### **Kinesiology and Health**

Helaine Alessio (1987)

B.S., Rutgers, 1981; M.S., Ithaca College, 1983; Ed.D., Maryland, 1986.

#### **Languages, Literatures, and Writing**

Whitney Womack Smith (1998)

B.A., University of Missouri, 1991; M.A., University of Missouri, 1993; Ph.D., Purdue University, 1999.

#### **Management**

Bryan Ashenbaum (2006)

B.S., Arizona State University, 1996; M.B.A., 2001; Ph.D., 2006.

#### **Marketing**

Michael McCarthy (1993)

B.S., Rochester Institute of Technology, 1979; M.B.A., 1988; Ph.D., University of Pittsburgh, 1996.

#### **Mathematical and Physical Sciences**

TBD.

#### **Mathematics**

Patrick Dowling (1989)

B.S., University College (Dublin), 1979; M.S., 1980; Ph.D., Kent State University, 1986.

#### **Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering**

Amit Shukla (Interim) (2002)

B.S., Motilal Nehru Natl Inst Tech, 1996; M.S., University of Cincinnati, 1998; Ph.D., University of Cincinnati, 2002.

#### **Media, Journalism & Film**

Bruce Drushel (1987)

B.A., Bowling Green State University, 1981; M.A., Ohio University, 1982; Ph.D., 1991.

#### **Microbiology**

Luis Actis (1994)

M.S., Universidad de Cordoba (Spain), 1975; Ph.D., 1982.

#### **Music**

Christopher Tanner (1996)

B.M., West Virginia University, 1993; M.Mus. Miami University, 1996; Ph.D., West Virginia University, 2000.

#### **Naval Science**

Todd Bahlau, Captain, Navy (2018)

B.S., U.S. Naval Academy 1991; M.S., Troy University, 1992; M.A., Naval War College, 2012.

#### **Nursing**

Brooke A. Flinders (2006)

B.S.N., Miami University, 2003, M.S.N., Frontier Nursing University, 2006, D.N.P., Frontier Nursing University, 2016.

#### **Philosophy**

Elaine Miller (1998)

B.A., University of North Carolina, 1984; M.A., Boston College, 1993; Ph.D., De Paul University, 1998.

#### **Physics**

Herbert Jaeger (1992)

M.S., Fachhochschule Dieburg (Germany), 1977; M.S., Oregon State University, 1984; Ph.D., 1987.

#### **Political Science**

Bryan Marshall (2004)

B.A., University of Toledo, 1989; M.A., University of Toledo, 1992; Ph.D., Michigan State University, 1999.

#### **Psychology**

Allen McConnell (2000)

B.A., University of Cincinnati, 1990; Ph.D., Indiana University, 1995.

#### **Social and Behavioral Sciences**

Shubhasree Subedi (1989)

B.A. Delhi University (India), 1975; M.A. Jadavpur University (India), 1978; M.A. University of Akron, 1989; Ph.D., 1991.

#### **Sociology and Gerontology**

Stephen Lippmann (2005)

B.A., University of New Hampshire, 1998; M.A., University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, 2000; Ph.D., 2005.

#### **Spanish and Portuguese**

Ryan Barilleaux (Interim) (1987)

B.A., University of Southwestern Louisiana, 1979; M.A., University of Southwestern Louisiana, 1980; Ph.D., University of Texas, 1983.

#### **Speech Pathology and Audiology**

Susan Baker Brehm (2003)

B.S., Miami University, 1997; M.A., Miami University, 1999; Ph.D., University of Florida, 2003.

#### **Statistics**

A. John Bailer (1988)

B.S., Miami University, 1982; M.A., University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, 1984; Ph.D., 1986.

#### **Teacher Education**

Brian Schultz (2017)

A.B., Psychology, Miami University, 1997; M.A.T., Miami University, 1999; Ph.D., University of Illinois – Chicago, 2005.

#### **Theatre**

Julia Guichard (1998)

B.F.A., DePaul University, 1984; M.F.A., Pennsylvania State University, 1994.

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<http://www.units.MiamiOH.edu/academicpersonnel>

## **Graduate School**

#### **James Oris (1986)**

Dean/Associate Provost

B.A., Wittenberg University, 1979; Ph.D., Michigan State University, 1985.

#### **Rose Marie Ward (2002)**

Associate Dean for Graduate Admissions

B.S., Juniata College 1998; M.S., University of Rhode Island, 2001; Ph.D., University of Rhode Island, 2002.

#### **Valerie O. Robinson (2006)**

Assistant Dean for Graduate Admissions

B.S., University of Cincinnati, 1998; M.S., Miami University, 2001; Ph.D., Miami University, 2014.

**Lou Ann Haines (2006)**

Assistant to the Dean and Associate Provost, Manager of Graduate Student Services.

## Graduate Council

The Graduate Council is composed of 12 faculty members elected by the graduate faculty and three graduate students selected by the Graduate Student Association. The council works with administrative officers in establishing policies and procedures affecting graduate education, reviewing new courses and curricula, and maintaining standards for all programs.

## Directors of Graduate Programs

### Accountancy

Dale Stoel (2007)

B.S., Purdue University, 1987; M.S., Purdue University, 1992; Ph.D., Ohio State University, 2006.

### Architecture and Interior Design

Craig Hinrichs (1985)

B.Arch., University of Nebraska, 1976; M.Phil, University of Manchester, 1987.

### Art

Ellen Price (1987)

B.A., Brooklyn College, 1980; M.F.A., Indiana University, 1986.

### Biology

Michelle Boone (2004)

B.S., Furman University, 1994; B.A., Furman University, 1994; Ph.D., University of Missouri, 2000.

### Biology and Biological Sciences - Project Dragonfly

Matteson, Kevin (2011)

B.A., Earlham College, 1999; M.S., Fordham University, 2005; Ph.D., Fordham University, 2007.

### Botany

Richard Moore (2005)

B.S., University of North Carolina, 1993; Ph.D. Penn State University, 1999.

### Business Administration

Kristine Reid (1999)

B.S., Miami University, 1978; M.B.A., Indiana University, 1980.

### Cell, Molecular, & Structural Biology

Lori Isaacson (1989)

B.S., College of Charleston, 1978; M.S., University of Georgia, 1982; Ph.D., Michigan State University, 1986.

### Chemical, Paper and Biomedical Engineering

Justin Saul (2011)

B.S., Purdue University, 1999; Ph.D., Case Western Reserve University, 2006.

### Chemistry and Biochemistry

Rick Page (2013)

B.S., California Polytechnic State University-San Luis Obispo, 2002; Ph.D., Florida State University, 2008.

### Computational Science & Engineering

Chi-Hao Cheng (2004)

B.S., National Chiao Tung University, 1991; M.S., University of Texas, 1996; Ph.D., 1998.

### Computer Science and Software Engineering

Eric Bachman (2001)

B.A., University of Cincinnati, 1983; M.S., Naval Postgraduate School, 1995; Ph.D., Naval Postgraduate School, 2000.

### Ecology, Evolution & Environmental Biology

Hank Stevens (2001)

B.A., University of New Hampshire, 1982; M.S., University of Pittsburgh, 1994; Ph.D., 1999.

### Economics

Melissa Thomasson (2013)

B.S., University of Puget Sound, 1992; M.A., University of Arizona, 1993; Ph.D., 1998.

### Educational Leadership

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### Educational Leadership - Student Affairs in Higher Education (SAHE)

Lisa Weems (2000)

B.A., University of Nebraska, 1993; M.A., Ohio State University, 1995; Ph.D., 2000.

### Educational Psychology

William Boone (2005)

B.S., Indiana University, 1982; M.S., University of Wisconsin, 1985; Ph.D., University of Chicago, 1991.

### English

Cynthia Klestinec (2007)

B.A., University of Georgia, 1994; M.A., University of Chicago, 1995; Ph.D., University of Chicago, 2001.

### English - Ohio Writing Project

Beth Rimer (2000)

B.S., Bowling Green State University, 1992; M.A., Miami University, 1999.

### Family Studies and Social Work

Anne Roma (2014)

B.A. University of Pennsylvania, 1993; M.S.W., San Jose State University, 1999; Ph.D., Case Western Reserve University, 2018.

### French and Italian

Audrey Wasser (2014)

B.A., Oberlin College, 1999; M.A., University of Florida, 2002; M.A., Cornell University, 2005; Ph.D., 2010.

### Geography

Jessica McCarty-Kern (2017)

B.A., Morehead State University, 2003; M.A., University of Maryland, 2005; Ph.D., 2009.

### Geology & Environmental Earth Science

John Rakovan (1998)

B.S., University of Illinois, 1988; M.S., University of Illinois-Chicago, 1990; Ph.D., SUNY-Stony Brook, 1996.

### History

Daniel Prior (2007)

B.A., Yale University, 1985; M.A., Indiana University, 1998; Ph.D., 2002.

**Institute for the Environment and Sustainability (IES)**

Suzanne Zazycki (2011)  
B.S., Miami University, 1990; M.S., 1992; J.D., University of Toledo, 2003..

**Kinesiology and Health**

Mark Walsh (2001)  
B.S., California State University-Los Angeles, 1991; M.S., California State University-Northridge, 1993; Ph.D., German Sport University Cologne, 2001.

**Mathematics**

Paul B. Larson (2004)  
A.B., Dartmouth College, 1992; Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley, 1998.

**Mechanical Engineering**

Kumar Singh (2006)  
B.S., Birla Institute of Technology, 1997; Ph.D., Louisiana State University, 2003.

**Microbiology**

Mitchell Balish (2004)  
A.B., Washington University, 1991; Ph.D., Emory University, 1998.

**Music**

Brenda Mitchell (1988)  
B.M., Arizona State University, 1976; M.Mus., 1982; D.M.A., 1994.

**Philosophy**

Gaile Pohlhaus (2006)  
B.A., Sara Lawrence College, 1993; Ph.D., Stony Brook University, SUNY, 2003..

**Physics**

Mahamud Khan (2013)  
B.S., Southern Illinois University, 2001; M.S., 2004; Ph.D., 2007.

**Political Science**

Brian Danoff (2004)  
B.A., University of California-Santa Cruz, 1993; M.A., New School for Social Research, 1996; Ph.D., Rutgers University, 2003.

**Psychology**

Christopher Wolfe (1989)  
B.A., Denison University, 1981; M.S., University of Bridgeport, 1984; M.S., University of Pittsburgh, 1987; Ph.D., 1989.

**Sociology and Gerontology**

Jennifer M. Kinney (1998)  
B.A., Kent State University, 1982; M.A., Kent State University, 1985; Ph.D., Kent State University, 1987.

**Spanish & Portuguese**

Luis Pradanos-Garcia (2013)  
B.A. University of Alcalá, 2002; M.A., Texas Tech University, 2006; Ph.D., Texas Tech University, 2010.

**Speech Pathology and Audiology**

Donna Scarborough (2003)  
B.S., University of Illinois, 1991; M.S., University of Louisville, 1993; Ph.D., University of Cincinnati, 2002.

**Statistics**

Jing Zhang (2008)  
Ph.D., University of Missouri, 2008.

**Teacher Education**

Thomas Misco (2006)  
B.A., University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1996; M.A. University of Iowa, 2000; Ph.D., University of Iowa, 2006.

**Theatre**

Ann Elizabeth Armstrong (2001)  
B.A., The College of William and Mary, 1988; M.F.A., The University of Hawaii at Manoa, 1993; Ph.D., The University of Hawaii at Manoa, 2000.