

Fulbright Scholarship Recipient



University of North Alabama senior and art major Mollie Schaefer is the first student in the University's history to be accepted into the Fulbright U.S. Student Program. The Fulbright program provides grants for individually designed study/research projects, or for English teaching assistant programs abroad. Schaefer was accepted into the English Teaching Assistant Program in the Czech Republic. Schaefer was one of two UNA finalists up for the prestigious scholarship. Please join us in congratulating Molly on this exceptional achievement!

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Welcome, Dr. Ross Alexander

Academic Affairs is pleased to announce that Dr. Ross Alexander has accepted the offer to become the next Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost at the University of North Alabama, effective July 1, 2017. Dr. Alexander comes to us from Indiana University-East in Richmond, Indiana, where he has served in various positions including Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Dean of Graduate and Continuing Education, and, most recently, as Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences. Please join us in welcoming Dr. Ross Alexander to the UNA family!



Faculty Accomplishments



Dr. Katie Kinney, Chair of the Department of Elementary Education, has been selected as the recipient of the Athens State University Outstanding Alumna Achievement Award in Education. The award was presented in a ceremony held on April 8, 2017. Please join us in congratulating Dr. Kinney on this prestigious honor.

Alabama Regional Graduate Conference

The 8th Annual Alabama Regional Graduate Conference in English was a huge success thanks to the Department of English, Student Activity Fees, the Laura Harrison foundation, the COAS, and most importantly, the hard work of graduate teaching assistants Stephanie Adair and Brett Fish. This year's theme was "Confinement: From the Prison Block to the Margins." Our featured speakers were Alabama death row exonerees Anthony Ray Hinton and Gary Drinkard. We thank both of them for sharing their powerful stories with us and for challenging us to move our criminal justice system in a fairer and more equitable direction. The student participants in our conference spoke on topics ranging from feminine confinement to confinement in popular culture. UNA students displayed their research strengths via Powerpoint and poster presentations. We thank the faculty and administration for their support and hope that you will join us again next year!

New Faculty Bio

Dr. John McBride, visiting assistant professor of analytical chemistry, earned his PhD in analytical chemistry from Texas A&M. There he researched the electrochemical interface of noble metals, which included extensive investigation into cold fusion. After a post-doc at USAFA looking at high-energy density batteries, he went on to teach at Hofstra University as their analytical faculty member. From there, he served as department head of chemistry and physics at Northwest Vista College in San Antonio. Since then, John has taught analytical chemistry at University of New Mexico and general chemistry at Pikes Peak Community College.



Open Invitation

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