

Welcome to the Tribe and the School of Education!

We are so excited to welcome all of our new students to the School of Education and the Higher Education program.

First Week of Class Celebration



New and current students getting to know each other over happy hour

From left to right: Sam Nussbaum, Krista Schroth, Ryan Patterson, Jenna Patel, Jenny Fam, Sydney Bergstrom, Ann Griffin, Corey Falls, Alexis Michalos, Challen Wellington and Ashley Dustin

WHAT'S HAPPENING?



Opening remarks from Dean Spencer Niles at the School of Education New Student Orientation

Events at the School of Education

Are you ready for a brand new semester? The Higher Education program has a variety of exciting events planned for the fall semester that you won't want to miss. If you haven't already, take a look at the [full program calendar](#) to make sure you take advantage of all that is offered.

Upcoming Events

October

- **Oct. 8:** [Higher Education Salon](#), 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- **Oct. 18:** Master's Internship Workshop, 12:00-1:00 p.m., SOE 3107
- **Oct. 18:** SOE Open House 3:00-6:00 p.m.
- **Oct. 19:** ProDevo LinkedIn — HESA
- **Oct. 19:** [W&M Homecoming](#)
- **Oct. 23:** Master's Project, 2:00-3:00 p.m., SOE 3107
- **Oct. 31:** Halloween Happy Hour, 7:30 p.m.

November

- **Nov. 11:** Jamestown Settlement Day
- **Nov. 13-16:** ASHE Annual Conference—Portland, OR
- **Nov. 14-16:** Virginia Student Service Conference
- **Nov. 28:** HESA Friendsgiving

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Save the Date: February 14-15, 2020

Over the course of the 2019-2020 school year, the School of Education is celebrating 50 years since the start of the Higher Education Administration program at William & Mary. Save the date for a two-day reunion celebration planned for February 14-15, 2020. We'll be convening alumni, faculty and higher education professionals from across the Commonwealth to connect and discuss current issues surrounding higher education. Save the date for a fun, engaging weekend at your alma mater!



Alumni Admissions Ambassador and Alumni Mentor Programs

The Alumni Admissions Ambassadors and Alumni Mentor programs are having their inaugural year in the School of Education! These programs are a great way for alumni to stay connected to W&M and for current students to gain a trusted advisor.

Alumni Admissions Ambassadors will be matched with newly admitted students (up to five) to provide guidance during the admission process.

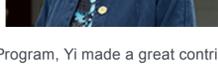
Alumni Mentors will be connected with current students (up to two), offering networking opportunities in the field and supporting students as they prepare for post-graduation.

[Learn more about the program](#)

School of Education Students: Take advantage of this opportunity for career guidance from alumni in your field. As you prepare to graduate, alumni can provide assistance with career preparation including building your resume, expanding your skillset and networking.

[Sign up now](#)

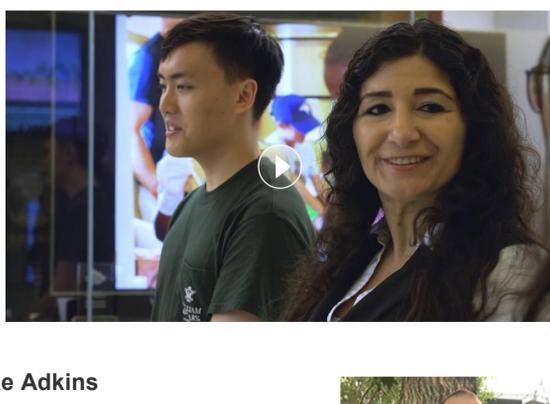
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Yi Hao

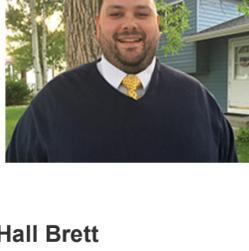
Yi Hao, Ph.D. '19 has accepted a position as the Assistant Director of Graduate and Postdoctoral Development in the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs at the [University of Virginia](#). Yi's role focuses on enhancing the experiences of graduate students and postdoctoral fellows to diversify their career outcomes. Join us in congratulating Yi on her new journey and leadership.

As a doctoral graduate of the W&M Higher Education Program, Yi made a great contribution in scholarship and service. She was the recipient of the [2019 Thatcher Prize for Excellence in Graduate and Professional Study](#). Yi also took part in recording a video where she discussed her experience as an international student at William & Mary.



Mike Adkins

Mike Adkins, Ed.D. '17 has started a new position as the Retention Director at [Montana State University Billings](#), Billings, MT. Mike manages the peer mentoring program, summer bridge program, early alert system, and he is working on developing the college's retention plan. Join us in congratulating Mike on his new position and leadership.



Crystal Hall Brett

Crystal Hall Brett, M.Ed. '11 received an [Employee of the Month Certificate](#) at George Mason University, Fairfax, VA. This award acknowledges Crystal's excellent work, service and leadership. Crystal is the Associate Director of Graduate Admissions at [George Mason University](#). Join us in celebrating Crystal's accomplishments.

Cheng Guo

Cheng Guo, M.Ed. '19 is beginning his role as the Academy Director at the [Chinese Academy of Sciences, Shenzhen Institutes of Advanced Technology, China](#). This is a higher education organization that is only engaged in technical education and highly focuses on technical research. Join us in congratulating Cheng on his new journey and leadership.



FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS



Dr. Eddy's New Publications

Dr. Pamela Eddy, Professor of higher education, recently had one article and two book chapters published. The article is titled "[Accelerating change: The power of faculty change agents to promote diversity and inclusive teaching practices](#)" in the *Journal of Geoscience Education*. The book chapter is titled "[Portraits of rural community college leaders](#)" in Z. Thorton (Ed.), *Revisiting rural community colleges. New Directions For Community Colleges* (pp. 51-61). (Hoboken, NJ: John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Dr. Eddy wrote this chapter with Eric Liu (Higher Education program doctoral student) and Catherine Hartman, M.Ed. '15. Another book chapter is titled "Innovative partnerships for teacher education" in M. D'Amico (Ed.), *Community college teacher preparation for diverse geographies: Implications for access and equity for preparing a diverse teacher workforce*. Charlotte, NC: Information Age Publishing Inc. Dr. Eddy wrote this chapter with Tracey Schneider, Ph.D. '19.

Dr. Blackmon Co-Facilitates a SCHEV-Endorsed Faculty Learning Community (FLC) Group

Dr. Stephanie Blackmon, Associate Professor of higher education, is co-facilitating a SCHEV-endorsed Faculty Learning Community (FLC) group on data analytics. The group, Data Analytics for Teaching and Learning, brings faculty from four Virginia universities together to begin exploring a statewide perspective on the use of data analytics (learning analytics, educational data mining, etc.) in higher education.



Dr. Cole serves as Associate Editor of the Review of Higher Education

Dr. Eddie Cole, Associate Professor of higher education, has been selected to serve as [Associate Editor of The Review of Higher Education](#).

Congratulations to Dr. Cole on his appointment. [The Review of Higher Education](#) is one of the leading research journals in the higher education field.

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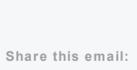
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