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## Rethinking summer school: Camp EAGER expands to inspire more young people to pursue STEM

An experimental summer camp developed by researchers at the William & Mary School of Education, now in its second year, is exploring innovative ways to encourage more students from underrepresented groups, primarily girls and youth of color, to pursue STEM careers. Camp EAGER, directed by Meredith Kier, associate professor of science education; Lindy Johnson, associate professor of English education; and Janise Parker, assistant professor of school psychology, aims to **Elevate** engineering, **Advance** innovation, **Guide** Learning, **Effect** change, and **Remove** barriers for all. [More.](#)

### FROM THE DEAN



It's back to school season and the energy this year is palpable. Despite the challenges that remain in both K-12 and higher education, the conversations I hear and the excitement I see are clear signs that educators are returning to the classroom resolved to meet the needs of their students, find solutions to pressing problems and have a great year. Thank you for the work you do and the impact you have on students, schools and communities.

— Dean Rob Knoeppel

## NEWS & NOTES



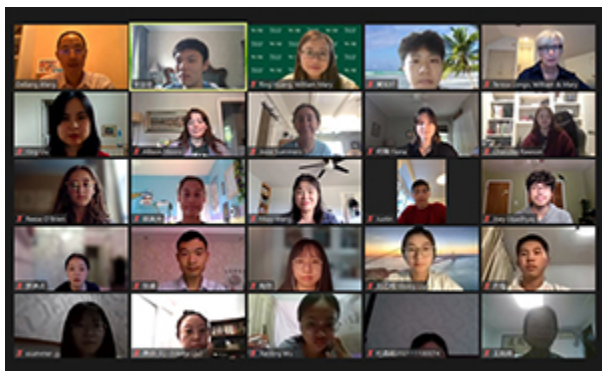
### Cross awarded second Fulbright to study gifted student well-being in Ireland

Tracy Cross, the Jody and Layton Smith Professor of Psychology and Gifted Education and executive director of the W&M Center for Gifted Education, will travel to Dublin, Ireland in Spring 2023 as a Fulbright U.S. Scholar. [More.](#)



### Kord Basnight '85, M.Ed. '23 and Haley Padgett M.Ed. '23 selected as 2022 Tillman Scholars

The prestigious scholarship, founded by the family of Pat Tillman, annually recognizes military service members, veterans and spouses who demonstrate extraordinary commitment to service, scholarship, humble leadership and impact. [More.](#)



### William & Mary and BNU Host Virtual ESL Summer Institute

The BNU-WM ESL Summer Institute, organized by the School of Foreign Languages and Literature of Beijing Normal University (BNU) and the School of Education of William & Mary, was held online from July 12 to 15, 2022. [More.](#)



### Q&A with Shannon Chance Ph.D. '10

The summer issue of World-Minded from the Reves Center for International Studies features a Q&A with higher education alumna Shannon Chance about her career trajectory, current work in Ireland and her global community of educators. [More.](#)



## Eastern Virginia Writing Project: Summer Institute

Partnering with the National Writing Project (NWP), the Eastern Virginia Writing Project (EVWP) offers professional development workshops to assist teachers in strengthening their own writing skills and evolving their writing programs. This year, EVWP hosted a youth writing camp on July 18-22 giving students the opportunity to practice their writing skills. [More.](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 31: [First day of on-campus classes](#)

Aug. 31: [Convocation](#)

Sept. 27 - Oct. 7: [Don't We Already Do Inclusion](#)

Sept. 30: [Science of Teaching Reading Conference](#)

Oct. 14: [Joy of Literacy and Literature Conference](#)



## New neighbors, new partnership

Residents and businesses are moving into Midtown Row, a new residential, retail and entertainment district just down the street at the corner of Richmond Road and Monticello Ave. We've launched a partnership with Current Midtown Apartments to offer our graduate students a unique living-learning community experience. [Learn more.](#)

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