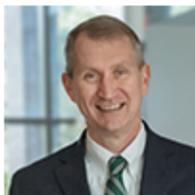




## Mind & Life Institute grant explores impact of meditation on well-being and effectiveness of counselors

Daniel Gutierrez, the Vera W. Barkley Associate Professor of Counselor Education, along with collaborator Stephanie Dorais Ph.D. '21, assistant professor in counselor education at Kean University, are exploring the role of contemplative practices in promoting prosociality and resilience among mental health counselors. The two-year project is being funded by a \$100K PEACE Grant from the Mind & Life Institute, an organization co-founded by the Dalai Lama to bridge science and contemplative wisdom in order to foster human flourishing. [More.](#)

### FROM THE DEAN



**This is a week of celebration.** The academic year is drawing to a close, and we're honoring 10 remarkable faculty members who have retired between 2020 and 2022. Individually, they have served between 17 and 38 years — collectively, they have given 239 years of service to William & Mary. Their impact is extraordinary and we hope you'll [join us in honoring them](#) by leaving your own message of congratulations.

Commencement Weekend will offer many joyous occasions to celebrate and honor our students, who have persevered through a pandemic to reach their goals. We could not be more proud, or more excited to see what these outstanding educators do next.

— Dean Rob Knoepfel

### NEWS & NOTES

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RESOURCE NETWORK



#### SURN addresses need for school leader collaboration and professional development with new 4:00 Focus program

William & Mary's School-University Resource Network (SURN) responded to a field-based concern of principals missing opportunities to collaborate and learn with one another, so they took action, establishing the 4:00 Focus program. [More.](#)



#### Janise Parker named Early Career Scholar for the 2022 School Psychology Research Collaboration Conference

The premier organization for research in school psychology has recognized Parker for her contributions to the field and has named her an Early Career Scholar for the 2022 School Psychology Research Collaboration Conference (SPRCC). [More.](#)



### Honoring 10 faculty leaders as they retire

*Retiring in 2020-2022:* Bruce A. Bracken; Johnston M. Brendel Ed.S. '94, Ed.D. '96; Michael F. DiPaola '69; Victoria A. Foster; Charles F. Gressard; Judith B. Harris; Charles R. McAdams; Virginia L. McLaughlin '71; Gene Allen Roche; Carol L. Tieso

Leave your message of congratulations



### Counseling student Lydia Suitt M.Ed. '23 wins leadership essay contest

Lydia Suitt, a master's student in the Clinical Mental Health Counseling program, has won first place in the Chi Sigma Iota (CSI) & Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) Leadership Essay Contest. [More.](#)



### William & Mary Holmes Scholars attend the 74th AACTE conference

William & Mary Holmes Scholars attended the Holmes Scholars Preconference Program in New Orleans as part of the 74th American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE) Annual Meeting. [More.](#)



### Pamela Eddy to focus on faculty development in new associate provost role

Professor of Education Pamela Eddy will be William & Mary's inaugural associate provost for faculty affairs and development, Provost Peggy Agouris announced last month. [More.](#)



### Reves Center announces 2022 Reves Faculty Fellows

Professors of Education Leslie Grant and James Stronge awarded fellowship in support of their faculty-student research and collaboration on internationally-focused, engaged scholarship. [More.](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### Commencement Weekend 2022

May 20: Undergraduate Ceremony (Bachelor's Degrees)  
May 21: Graduate & Professional School Ceremony (Masters, Doctoral, Law)  
School of Education Ceremony and Reception

#### KHATALAMPAY: ASIAN PACIFIC MIDDLE EASTERN COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Thursday, May 19, 6:30 p.m.  
Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium

#### LAVENDER GRADUATION

Friday, May 20, 9:00 a.m.  
Sunken Garden Tent

#### CEREMONIA RAÍCES: LATINX COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Friday, May 20, 11:00 a.m.  
Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium

#### DONNING OF THE KENTE 2022

Friday, May 20, 1:00 p.m.  
Sunken Garden

May 19-21: [Commencement Weekend 2022](#)

May 24: [The Intersection of Sustainability & Social Justice: The Lasting Impact of 20th-Century Redlining](#)

June 14-16: [I'm Determined Youth & Family Summit](#)

June 27-30: [Special Education Teacher Support Academy \(SETSA\)](#)

July 17-19: [I'm Determined MOVE Summit](#)



CURRENT MIDTOWN

#### 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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