

Millersville University Fall Convocation



**Biemesderfer Concert Hall
The Winter Center
4:00 p.m.
September 7, 2012**

Program

Welcome New Faculty, Staff, Union Representatives and Remarks

Dr. Vilas A. Prabhu

Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs

Recognition of Emeriti

Dr. Prabhu

State of the University Address

Dr. Francine G. McNairy

President

Closing

Dr. Prabhu

Emeriti

Dr. Francis J. Bremer.....1977-2011
Professor of History, Emeritus

Dr. Carole M. Counihan.....1987-2012
Professor of Anthropology, Emerita

Dr. Henry W. Fischer, III.....1989-2008
Professor of Sociology, Emeritus

Dr. Perry R. Gemmill.....1981-2012
Professor of Applied Engineering, Safety & Technology, Emeritus

Dr. Kathryn A. Gregoire.....1979-2012
Professor of Social Work, Emerita

Dr. George A. Kerekyarto.....1989-2011
Associate Professor of Applied Engineering, Safety & Technology,
Emeritus

Dr. Marianne Kerlavage.....1991-2009
Professor of Art & Design, Emerita

Dr. Yvonne M. King.....1986-2010
Associate Professor of Elementary and Early Childhood Education,
Emerita

Dr. James E. LaPorte.....2004-2011
Assistant Professor of Applied Engineering, Safety & Technology,
Emeritus

Dr. C. Virginia Palmer.....1985-2011
Professor of Nursing, Emerita

Dr. Lucinda L. Ridley.....1989-2011
Professor of Special Education, Emerita

Dr. James P. Valle.....1999-2009
Associate Professor of Elementary & Early Childhood Education,
Emeritus

Dr. David A. Zegers.....1977-2011
Professor of Biology, Emeritus

New Tenure-Track Faculty

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Dr. Mark A. Atwater.....Applied Engineering, Safety & Technology
Assistant Professor (B.S. Pennsylvania College of Technology, M.S. University of New Mexico; Ph.D. North Carolina State University)

Dr. Jason Petula.....Elementary & Early Childhood Education
Assistant Professor (B.S. Pennsylvania State University, M.Ed. Temple University, M.S. Wilkes University, Ph.D. Pennsylvania State University)

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES

Prof. Jennifer M. Frank..... Social Work
Instructor (B.A. Millersville University, M.S.W. Ibid.)

Dr. Ethan E. Frost.....Geography
Assistant Professor (B.A. Clark University, M.S. University of Delaware, Ph.D. Ibid.)

Dr. José L. Garcia.....Music
Assistant Professor (B.M. University of Texas-San Antonio, M.M. University of Michigan, D.M.A. Ibid.)

Prof. Becky C. McDonah.....Art & Design
Assistant Professor (B.A. University of Wisconsin, M.F.A. Arizona State University)

Dr. Robyn D. McMillin.....History
Assistant Professor (B.A. Columbia University, M.A. University of Oklahoma, Ph.D. Ibid.)

New Tenure-Track Faculty

Dr. John W. Kaiser Ortiz.....Philosophy
Assistant Professor (B.A. University of Texas Pan-American, M.A. University of Oregon, Ph.D. Ibid.)

Dr. John E. Zarco.....Music
Assistant Professor (B.M. California State University, M.M. Ibid. D.M.A. University of Minnesota)

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE & MATHEMATICS

Dr. Michael S. Elioﬀ.....Chemistry
Assistant Professor (B.S. University of Texas-Tyler, M.S. University of Texas-Arlington, Ph.D. Boston University)

Dr. Duane E. Hagelgans.....Earth Sciences
Assistant Professor (B.S. Millersville University, J.D. Widener University School of Law)

Dr. Aaron M. Haines.....Biology
Assistant Professor (B.S. Virginia Tech, M.S. Texas A&M, Ph.D. Ibid.)

Dr. Xin Li.....Physics
Assistant Professor (B.S. Beijing Institute of Technology [China], M.S. Ibid., M.S. Mississippi State University, M.S. Ibid., Ph.D. Ibid.)

Dr. Harry T. Washington, Jr.....Mathematics
Assistant Professor (B.S. Fayetteville State University, M.S. North Carolina State University, Ph.D. Ibid.)

INFORMATION RESOURCES

Prof. Rachel W. Gammons.....Library
Instructor (B.A. University of Tennessee, M.S. Ibid.)

New Administrators & Staff

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Mr. Dámaso Albino, Jr.....Director, Migrant Education
B.A. College of the Antilles (Puerto Rico), M.A. Pennsylvania State University

Ms. Jacquelyn L. Alling.....Director, Corporate University
B.A. Pennsylvania State University

Ms. Donna J. Bouaziz.....Receptionist, Admissions
B.S. Purdue University, M.B.A. University of Phoenix

Mr. Raymond E. Bynes.....Assistant Director, Admissions
B.S. Indiana University

Ms. Wanda L. Doyle.....Secretary, Art & Design
A.S.B. Consolidated School of Business

Ms. Marianne L. Frantz.....Secretary, Global Ed./Partnerships
A.S.B. National Education Center, Thompson Institute Campus

Ms. Sara L. Habecker.....Secretary, Enrollment Management
B.S. Messiah College

Ms. Randi M. Howard.....Secretary, Earth Sciences (CDRE)

Ms. Nancy C. Marchese.....Secretary, Chemistry/Physics

Mr. Daniel Mercado.....Coordinator, Pre-Collegiate Programs
B.S. Messiah College

Ms. Ivonne M. Ocasio.....Secretary, English

Ms. Elise V. Olson.....Administrative Assistant, School of
B.A. Chatham College **Humanities & Social Sciences**

Ms. Olivia K. Peters.....Administrative Assistant, Global
B.A. Millersville University **Education/Partnerships**

New Administrators & Staff

Ms. Beth A. Roberts.....Secretary, Biology

Ms. Wendy R. Scheel.....Registration Assistant
A.A. Indiana University

Ms. Melissa Williams.....Secretary, Nursing
A.S. Utah Valley Community College

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Keith A. Andrews.....Custodial Worker

Ms. Tammy M. Aument-Martin.....Financial Accountant
B.S. Millersville University

Mr. Duane L. Barndt.....Custodial Worker

Ms. Kimberlie R. Bennett.....Fiscal Assistant

Ms. Sandra K. Booth.....Food Service Worker

Ms. Rebecca A. Boxleitner.....Equipment Operator
B.S. Pennsylvania State University

Mr. Andrew R. Brooks.....Equipment Operator

Mr. Joaquin Castro.....Custodial Worker

Ms. Tracy A. David.....Anchor Supervisor, Dining Services

Ms. Jenna M. Durst.....Assistant Bursar
B.S. Millersville University

Ms. Cheryl L. Johnson.....Hostess, Dining Services

New Administrators & Staff

Mr. Walfrom A. Johnson.....Food Service Worker
A.A.S., Harrisburg Area Community College

Mr. Edward A. Kanu.....Cash Operations Delivery

Ms. Laura D. Kendall.....Director, Winter Center
B.A. University of Nebraska-Lincoln, M.A. Ibid.

Ms. Yuen Ting Li.....Food Service Worker
A.S.B. Harrisburg Area Community College

Ms. Debbie S. Lutz.....Payroll Coordinator
A.A. Harrisburg Area Community College

Ms. Jennifer K. McManuels.....Baker

Ms. Kristine J. Purcell.....Custodial Worker

Ms. Stacy L. Rutherford.....Business Manager, Ware Center
B.A. Millersville University

Ms. Robin K. Schelling....Administrative Asst., Winter Center

Mr. James C. Smith.....Building Foreman, Ware Center

Mr. Thomas A. Waltz, Jr.Assistant VP for Facilities
B.S. University of Pittsburgh, M.Eng. University of Maryland

Ms. Stephanie L. Witman.....Production Coordinator,
B.A. Millersville University **Winter Center**

Mr. Logan J. Wood.....Technical Coordinator, Winter Center

New Administrators & Staff

INFORMATION RESOURCES

Mr. Nomaan M. Ansari.....Help Desk Technician

Ms. Karen M. Davis.....Applications Support Analyst
B.S. Millersville University

Ms. Kathleen R. Estrada.....Database Analyst

Mr. Ramie T. Millar.....Library Technician
B.A. Millersville University

Mr. Eric D. Oberdorf.....Support Technician

STUDENT AFFAIRS

Mr. Howard R. Bauman.....Deputy Chief, University Police
B.S. Mansfield University

Mr. Jordan R. Byrnes.....Patrol Officer
A.A. Harrisburg Area Community College

Mr. Kyle J. Garrity.....Patrol Officer
B.A. East Stroudsburg University

Ms. Jillian M. Golomboski.....Assistant Coach, Softball
B.A. Millersville University

Mr. Nolan D. Neiman.....Assistant Coach, Baseball
B.S. DeSales University

Mr. Matthew D. Procopio....Assistant Coach, Women's Soccer
B.T. Millersville University

Mr. Charles Devon Rembert.....Coordinator, Intramurals
B.A. Millersville University, M.A.S.T. Ibid.

New Administrators & Staff

Mr. Jody B. Sambrick.....Asst. Coach, Men's/Women's Tennis
B.A. Temple University, M.Div. Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary

Mr. Peter G. Schaum.....Security Officer

Mr. Justin M. Schlottman.....Patrol Officer
B.S. Kutztown University

Ms. Marilyn Torres.....Security Officer

Mr. Biff Walizer.....Assistant Coach, Wrestling
B.S. Pennsylvania State University

Mr. David W. Wells.....Assistant Coach, Women's Basketball
B.A. Metropolitan State College of Denver

Mr. Jason S. Windlebleck.....Security Officer
A.A.S. Cochise College of Arizona

UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT

Ms. Kelly L. Herr.....Digital Media Specialist
A.S.T. The Art Institute of Philadelphia

Mr. Derek M. Hoffman.....Assistant Director, Advancement
B.A, B.S. Elizabethtown College **Services**

Ms. Alice R. McMurry.....Assistant Director, Major Gifts
B.A. University of North Carolina, M.A. George Washington University

Ms. Michele L. Spotts.....Director, Web & Creative Services
A.B. Alvernia College

Remarks from Union Leaders

From AFSCME-MU

Ms. Deborah E. Miller, President

Speaking for the members of American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all students, faculty and staff at the start of the 2012-2013 academic year.

We are living in very difficult economic times and all share in the uncertainty that has become the new “normal.” Fortunately, AFSCME union members, University staff, faculty and administrators remain united in the commitment to deliver on the promise to our students for an education second to none at Millersville University. We will continue to go forward.

Best wishes to everyone for a successful and healthy year at Millersville.

From APSCUF-MU

Dr. Charles F. Ward, President

As this new academic year begins, I would like welcome everyone back to campus and extend a special welcome to our new colleagues as they commence their work at Millersville University.

This is a very significant year for Millersville for various reasons. Not least among them is that it marks the end of Dr. McNairy's tenure as President of the University. As this year progresses, we will celebrate her achievements and orient ourselves to new leadership. We begin this year with a somewhat improved outlook on the budget front. This is the result of the hard work by many in our University community, including our Administration, our students, and APSCUF. Their collective advocacy on behalf of our Universities made a big difference. On some other fronts, matters are rather murky. As I write this greeting, negotiations between APSCUF and the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education continue. Unless something changed very recently, we are beginning a second year of work without a new contract. This unprecedented situation certainly has a negative impact on faculty morale. However, I have great confidence in my colleagues, and expect that our commitment to providing a quality education for our students will shine through, even in the face of such uncertainty.

Remarks from Union Leaders

From OPEIU-MU

Ms. Dawn M. Smith, President

The members of the Office of Professional Employees and International Union (OPEIU), would like to welcome all new and returning students, faculty and staff to campus for the start of the 2012-2013 academic year.

It is our mission to support and maintain both the physical and emotional health of the students at Millersville University by providing quality health care as they pursue their academic goals.

We look forward to another year of working collaboratively with the campus community in the promotion of healthy lifestyle choices for all.

Best wishes for a safe, healthy and successful academic year.

From SCUPA-MU

Ms. Rita M. Miller, President

The State College and University Professional Association (SCUPA) at Millersville University welcomes new students, staff, and faculty to the campus. We share enthusiasm for the challenge of starting a new academic year on our changing, growing and evolving campus with returning friends and colleagues. We believe that 2012-2013 will prove to be a year of challenge and transformation for our campus community as we find new ways to advance the mission, vision, and goals of the University in the face of economic adversity.

SCUPA-MU is proud to support and encourage the academic and personal development of our students. We believe the pathway to success for our students is measured and maintained through the collaborative commitment of all segments of the campus community. We remain dedicated to that noble effort.

SCUPA- MU wishes the Campus Community a happy, safe, and productive academic year.

Remarks from Union Leaders

From SPFPA-MU

Sgt. Bryan E. Cummins, President

On behalf of the police and security officers of the Security, Police and Fire Professionals of America (SPFPA) at Millersville University, allow me to welcome all students, staff and faculty at the beginning of the 2012-2013 academic year. We sincerely hope you find the upcoming year productive and satisfying.

Our staff is dedicated to providing a safe and secure environment in which to learn, live, work, and recreate. We are proud to be part of the overall educational process, and work closely with all facets of the campus community to ensure successful completion of its larger goals.

The Millersville University Police Department takes pride in our role as protector of the university community in these challenging times, and of the administration's support of our mission in achieving the safest possible environment.

SPFPA-MU sends out best wishes to all for a safe and successful academic season.

Millersville University

SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY

Millersville University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action institution.
A member of Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education