

TO: University Community

FROM: Vilas A. Prabhu
Provost and Vice President
for Academic Affairs

DATE: June 30, 2020

**RE: APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM COORDINATOR OF THE CENTER FOR
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. AmberNicole Pfannenstiel as Interim Coordinator of the Center for Academic Excellence, effective May 11, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Dr. Pfannenstiel will be an advocate promoting and supporting excellence in teaching and learning through a broad range of activities designed to meet faculty needs and will provide leadership in promoting a campus environment that fosters teaching practice grounded in scholarship.

Dr. Pfannenstiel is an Assistant Professor of English. Her primary teaching responsibilities are First Year Composition, Web Writing, Digital Rhetoric, and graduate writing courses. Her research draws from game-based learning theories to engage students in understanding writing and writing transfer. She is an active adopter of Open Educational Resources (OER) and mentors faculty adopters of OER materials. More recently, she chaired the 5 Year Program Review for the CAE during the 2019-2020 Academic Year.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank Dr. Oliver Dreon for his many years of service to Millersville as the coordinator of the Center for Academic Excellence.