THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

The tradition of the academic procession and academic apparel goes back to the early days of the oldest European universities, where gowns and hoods began to be required in the fourteenth century. Although European institutions continue to show great diversity in their specifications on academic apparel, current practices in this country follow the code established by the American Council of Education.

Academic apparel indicates the most advanced degree held by the wearer. Gowns for the bachelor’s, master’s and doctor’s degrees are distinguished by the variation in sleeve length and by the width of the edging. The color of the edging of the hood indicates the subject of the degree (e.g., white for arts, yellow for science, light blue for education, dark blue for philosophy) and the colors of the lining of the hood indicate the institution from which the degree was received. For Montana State University Billings the colors are blue and gold. Apparel for the doctor’s degree is distinguished by the panels on the sides of the hood, the gold tassel on the cap, and the velvet trim on the gown. Montana State University Billings’ baccalaureate candidates who have excelled academically wear Honor Cords. Gold Honor Cords (signifying Summa Cum Laude) distinguish graduating seniors who have attained a grade-point-average of 4.0. Gold and Silver entwined Honor Cords (signifying Magna Cum Laude) distinguish graduating seniors who have attained a grade-point-average between 3.75-3.99. Silver Honor Cords (signifying Cum Laude) distinguish graduating seniors who have attained a grade-point-average between 3.50 and 3.74. Blue and White entwined Honor Cords (signifying High Honors, 3.75-4.0, and Honors, 3.50-3.74) distinguish recipients of Associate degrees and Certificates. Honors designations are based on the cumulative grade-point-average which includes graded transfer work from other institutions.

The marching order for the Montana State University Billings academic procession is as follows: The Color Guard, the Grand Marshal, Emeritus Faculty, the Faculty Marshal, the Faculty, the Senior Marshals, the Candidates for Academic Degrees, the Platform Party.
THE COMMENCEMENT
CONVOCATION

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY BILLINGS

MetraPark
May Sixth, Two Thousand Seventeen
Ten o’Clock

MUSIC

Montana State University Billings Symphonic Band
Dr. Mark Fenderson, Associate Professor, Conductor
Montana State University Billings University Chorus
Doug Nagel, Assistant Professor, Conductor

THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

MSU Billings Symphonic Band
(The audience will please rise as the academic procession enters and remain standing
until after the National Anthem)
Colors and Color Guard .................. MSU Billings ROTC Color Guard
The Grand Marshal .................... G. A. St. John Robinson (B.A., M.A., Ph.D.)
The Faculty Emeritus of Montana State University Billings
The Faculty Marshal .................... Kenneth Miller (B.A., M.S., Ph.D.)
The Faculty of Montana State University Billings
The Senior Marshals ................. Seth Robertus and Kristen Wederski
The Candidates for Certificates and Academic Degrees
The Platform Party

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

MSU Billings University Chorus
Members of the MSU Billings University Chorus
(Please face the flag in front of the platform)

THE INTRODUCTION OF PLATFORM GUESTS

Robert Hoar, Provost and Academic Vice Chancellor
Montana State University Billings

MESSAGE TO THE GRADUATES

Greg Dicharry, President, ASMSU Billings
ALUMNI MESSAGE TO THE GRADUATES
Sarah Brockel, B.A., M.P.A, Director, MSU Billings Alumni Association

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
Dr. Thomas Powell
Outstanding Alumni Award Recipient

THE PRESENTATION OF FACULTY FOR EMERITUS TITLE
Robert Hoar, B.S., B.S., M.S., Ph.D., Provost and Academic Vice Chancellor

THE PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES
Jeff Rosenberry, B.S., M.S., Interim Associate Dean of Students, Reader of Names
Clifford Coppersmith, A.S., B.S., M.A., Ph.D., Dean, City College
Diane Duin, B.S., M.H.A., Ph.D., Dean, College of Allied Health Professions
Christine Shearer, B.A., M.A., Ph.D., Dean, College of Arts and Sciences
Barbara Wheeling, B.S., M.B.A., Ph.D., Dean, College of Business
Mary Susan Fishbaugh, B.S., M.S., Ed.S., Ed.D., Dean, College of Education

THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES
Ron Larsen, B.S., Ph.D., Interim Chancellor

SINGING OF THE ALMA MATER
Members of the MSU Billings University Chorus

THE ACADEMIC RECESSION
MSU Billings Symphonic Band
(The audience will please rise for the recession)
2017 CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

CITY COLLEGE

Certificate of Applied Science

++Cathy L. Bequette  
Billings, MT  
Medical Coding and Insurance Billing

Jordan Leeann Brown  
Manhattan, MT  
Medical Coding and Insurance Billing

Michael Calvert  
Fairview, MT  
Construction Technology

Christy Edwards  
Laurel, MT  
Medical Coding and Insurance Billing

Allen Frampton  
Billings, MT  
Assistant Drafter

Dalton Hafner  
Wolf Point, MT  
Energy Technician

++Patricia Kelli Hoagland  
Billings, MT  
Medical Coding and Insurance Billing

Charleena Howie  
Laurel, MT  
Medical Coding and Insurance Billing

Breyen S. Hubbs-Duncan  
Billings, MT  
Medical Coding and Insurance Billing

++Nathan Nicholas Kirtley  
Fromberg, MT  
Automotive Technology

Patrick S. Kiser  
Billings, MT  
Medical Coding and Insurance Billing

Ryan Lober  
Shepherd, MT  
Welding and Metal Fabrication Technology

++Crystal J. Mehaffey  
Butte, MT  
Medical Coding and Insurance Billing

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Miles City, MT  
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Medical Coding and Insurance Billing

Christopher T. Rodgers  
St. Regis, MT  
Medical Coding and Insurance Billing

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Hardin, MT  
Medical Coding and Insurance Billing

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Diesel Technology

Chase Mariano Aragon  
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Michael Duane Baker  
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Jamie Ball  
Harlem, MT  
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Kolby Beadnell  
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Lame Deer, MT  
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Associate of Applied Science

+ Honors  ++ High Honors
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Billings, MT  
Curriculum and Instruction

Shylah Michelle Brown  
LaCrosse, WI  
Curriculum and Instruction

Griselda Araiza  
Orange Cove, CA  
Curriculum and Instruction

Jenna Moag Battaglia  
Missoula, MT  
Special Education Advanced Studies

Robert C. Bryson  
Billings, MT  
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Shannon E. Bailey  
Jordan, MT  
Curriculum and Instruction

Shasta Baum-Strait  
Polson, MT  
School Counseling

Lisa M. Burdick  
Baker, MT  
School Counseling

+ Honors  ++ High Honors  * Cum Laude  ** Magna Cum Laude  *** Summa Cum Laude  # Honors Scholar  § Honors Graduate
Olivia Margaret Calabrese  
Billings, MT  
Curriculum and Instruction

Preya T. Chunkapura  
Forsyth, MT  
Curriculum and Instruction

Dakota Lynn Cole  
Riverton, WY  
School Counseling

Chelsi Alana Pearl Cunningham  
Ponoka, Alberta, Canada  
Special Education Advanced Studies

Brandy Darling  
Spokane, WA  
Special Education Advanced Studies

Chalee Daugherty  
Colstrip, MT  
Online Instructional Teaching

Christy Marie Day Chief  
Heart Butte, MT  
School Counseling

Jennifer de Raoulx  
Belgrade, MT  
Special Education Advanced Studies

Tyler Dotson  
Otis Orchards, WA  
Special Education Advanced Studies

Monica Enjalran-Wilson  
Corvallis, MT  
Special Education Generalist

Stephanie Farmer  
Billings, MT  
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Ashley Farrell-Gallagher  
Gillette, WY  
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Jessie N. Fox  
Helena, MT  
School Counseling

Lorri Gregor  
Billings, MT  
Special Education Advanced Studies

LeAnn R. Haas  
Havre, MT  
Special Education Generalist

Kimberly S. Robinson  
Haeseomeyer  
Billings, MT  
Curriculum and Instruction

Colleen M. Harrington  
Condon, MT  
Curriculum and Instruction

Jamie Janosko  
Anaconda, MT  
Reading

Carissa Amanda Jenkins  
Choteau, MT  
Curriculum and Instruction

David T. Jones  
Billings, MT  
Curriculum and Instruction

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Buffalo, WY  
Curriculum and Instruction

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Livingston, MT  
Curriculum and Instruction

Caitlin Kimmel  
Billings, MT  
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Colorado Springs, CO  
Special Education Advanced Studies

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Billings, MT  
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Denikka Miller  
Troy, MT  
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Brett Leighton Nichols  
Billings, MT  
Curriculum and Instruction

Tasha Obert  
Big Timber, MT  
School Counseling

Tessa Olsen  
Whitewater, MT  
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Austin Ray Peaslee  
Butte, MT  
Interdisciplinary Studies

Katy Allyn Raisl  
Laurel, MT  
School Counseling

Jessica Christine Raley  
Browning, MT  
Curriculum and Instruction

Jill Lindsey Reber  
Havre, MT  
Special Education Generalist

Kristen Lorye Reed  
Billings, MT  
Reading

Rebekah Reger  
Billings, MT  
Interdisciplinary Studies

Karen Christine Richem  
Helena, MT  
School Counseling

Jared M. Sharp  
Billings, MT  
Curriculum and Instruction

Beverly Ann Soria  
Billings, MT  
Educational Technology

Elizabeth A. Seab  
Billings, MT  
Curriculum and Instruction

Esther Timofeyev  
Moses Lake, WA  
School Counseling

Jessica Arlian Todd  
Big Timber, MT  
School Counseling

David El Turner  
La Ronge, SK, Canada  
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General Business
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Billings, MT
Management
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Tiana Hanson
Shepherd, MT
Elementary Education
College of Education
Summa Cum Laude

Kari Alexandra Kastelic
Phoenix, AZ
Finance
College of Business
Magna Cum Laude

Nicole Almeda Morton
Billings, MT
History Teaching Option
College of Arts and Sciences

Miranda Kate McNeil
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GRADUATE STUDIES AWARDS FOR 2017

Guido Riffeser
Master of Science
Public Relations
Outstanding Graduate Student in Arts and Science

Karsyn Renee Hornby
Master of Science in Athletic Training
Outstanding Graduate Student in Allied Health Professions

Karsyn Renee Hornby
Master of Science in Athletic Training
2017 Nels Christiansen Award
Outstanding Graduate Student

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Dr. Powell graduated from MSU Billings (then Eastern Montana College) in 1976 and 1979 with a Bachelor’s and Master’s Degree in special education. As a student, Tom was the student representative on the Academic Council.

Dr. Powell’s passion for aiding the special needs community was evident early on. As a student at Eastern Montana College, he ran one of the first group homes for adults with disabilities in the Billings area. After completing his Bachelor’s degree, Dr. Powell worked for several programs for adults with special needs including theYWCA and Yellowstone County Special Education Cooperative Services.

Dr. Powell and his wife Irene were also responsible for creating Support and Techniques for Empowering People (STEP). STEP is a community-based program that helps families to maintain their child with developmental disabilities in their home.

Dr. Powell professional career included serving as a professor, and Dean of the College of Education and Human Services at MSU Billings. During his time at MSU Billings, Dr. Powell also served as the Director of the Institute for Habilitative Services which provided programs for community outreach and the hiring of persons with disabilities on the university campus. He also served as a Professor at the University of Connecticut, and Dean of the College of Education at Winthrop University. In 1998 he was appointed President of Glenville State College in West Virginia. He then became the 24th President at Mount Saint Mary’s University, and upon his retirement was appointed President Emeritus. In his retirement he is serving as the President of Saint John’s Catholic Prep School in Maryland.

Dr. Powell is a published author, and has written books on Special Education, as well as numerous journal articles and book chapters.

In addition to his duties in his professional career, Dr. Powell has been very involved in organizations that serve and mentor those in the higher education field. Specifically he has been involved with the Association of American Colleges of Teacher Education, ARC- United Stated, TASH International, Phi Delta Kappa, and the Special Olympics.

He has earned many honors throughout his professional career, including Billings Public Schools Distinguished Service Award (1994), McRae Award for Service to Humanity (2003) and the Distinguished Alumni Award from MSU Billings. Pope Benedict XVI made him a Papal Knight of St. Gregory and Pope Francis presented him with the Pro Ecclesiœ et Pontifice award.

Dr. Powell and his wife Irene (also a graduate of MSU Billings) have 7 children and 3 granddaughters. They make their home in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

Dr. Powell and his wife Irene have made amazing contributions to the Education community, including MSU Billings and the have a left lasting impression on the Billings community. They have had an effect on many community members through their work with STEP. Some of the people they have helped they will never get to meet, but because of their generosity and resolve, our community is a better place and we thank them.
NEW ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR EMERITUS  
Mr. Gary Amundson

Mr. Gary Amundson  
Adjunct Instructor Emeritus of Business Administration

Upon the retirement of Mr. Gary Amundson from the faculty of Montana State University Billings, the faculty of the College of Business extends its appreciation to Mr. Amundson for 17 years of dedication and valued service to the College, University, and community. In recognition of his exemplary professional competence and compelling evidence of effective service, we recommend that the rank of Adjunct Instructor Emeritus be conferred upon him by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

Gary Amundson has been an instructor in the College of Business at Montana State University Billings for 17 years. For the previous twelve years, he was Senior Vice President for a major Montana-based firm that was publicly traded and did business throughout the U.S. and Canada, as well as Mexico, Europe, Latin America, and Southeast Asia. He served as a director for several industry trade associations. He served as a director for several industry trade associations, and served a three-year term as national chair for one of the industry trade associations. Prior to that he was a Lecturer at the University of Arizona in Tucson for nine years.

Gary Amundson was honored for the Excellence in Teaching Outstanding Faculty Award for the 2015-2016, the 2011-2012, and the 2001-2002 school years by the Associated Students at MSU Billings. Gary was selected for the Montana State University Bozeman President’s Pure Gold Award in January 2016. In December of 2008, Amundson was given the Distinguished Service Award for years of outstanding service to students and industry at the University of Arizona. He was honored as Montana State University Billings 2006-2007 Faculty Excellence Award for Non-Tenured Faculty; he was cited for the Outstanding Teaching Award at MSU Billings for 2002-2003 year by Faculty in the College of Business. He was named Club Advisor of the Year at the University of Arizona in 1985; and given Emeritus Status in 2004 by the University of Arizona Foundation for his significant work for many years on an Industry Advisory Council. In 2004, he was awarded an Honorary Degree from Skyview High School in Billings for his service on the school’s PAC Committee.

At MSU Billings, Amundson has been credited with helping develop, lead and nurture the College of Business successful online General Business option program. Approximately 55% of all COB students are transfers and in 2014-2013-2012, a study submitted by Amundson to the Montana University System’s “Tuning Committee” showed that over 300 students had transferred to MSUB College of Business in those three years, greatly contributing to the enrollment of which online is a major recipient. Amundson regularly advises all the approximate 100+ online junior and senior General Business majors. In May 2016, 31 students will graduate with the General Business option over 30% of the approximate 100. Amundson has been involved in recruitment and retention of all COB majors, particularly the online students. He has traveled to various Native American and Montana 2 year schools to help bring transfers to MSUB. He is a member of the COB APC committee entrusted with improving the online curriculum.

Amundson directs the College of Business Internship program that has led to hundreds of full time jobs by COB graduates both in and outside Billings since Amundson assumed this responsibility over 10 years ago. Although most are in the greater Billings area, notable exceptions have been in North Dakota, Minnesota, Wyoming, Washington, California, Texas, Florida, New York and Chicago as well as Chile, Mexico, China, and Saudi Arabia.

He has regularly been a liaison between MSUB and the business/professional community in Yellowstone County. He conducted Accounting CPE Seminars in Billings and eastern Montana during the 1990s and early 2000s. Although most were for Accounting CPE, others dealt with a wide array of topics including Agriculture, International Business, and Energy.

Amundson has been a member of many committees on campus at MSUB but highlights are of the Career Services Advisory Board for over 14 years. Amundson has been a member of the Montana University System’s “Inter University Benefits Committee” that deals primarily with health insurance and retirement. The IUBC has two members from each campus in Montana and the self-funded insurance plan covers over 12,000 persons. The IUBC insurance committee is a highly complicated and ever changing environment for this major benefit to all workers in Billings and Montana. Amundson represents all MSUB faculty and staff and travels to Helena and other Montana cities to meet for sub committees on Retirement and Planned Change, as well as the Committee as a Whole. He served on two major MUS Board of Regents special committees “Tuning” and “Common Core Numbering”.

Amundson’s specific teaching responsibilities have been split between face to face and online classes plus the responsibility of the internships fall, spring and summer. In addition, his year around contract allowed him to be the Acting
Dr. Kathe Gabel  

**Professor Emeritus of Health and Human Performance**

Upon the occasion of the retirement of Dr. Kathe Gabel from the faculty of Montana State University Billings, the faculty extends its appreciation to Dr. Gabel for her years of dedicated and valued service to the Department of Health and Human Performance, to the University, and to the State of Montana by recommending that the rank of Professor Emeritus be conferred upon her by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

Dr. Kathe Gabel earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Dietetics in 1973 from Montana State University and completed a Dietetic Internship with Barnes Medical Center in St. Louis, MO in 1974. She earned her Master of Science degree in Administrative Food Services in 1979 from Colorado State University and received her Ph.D. in Nutrition with an emphasis in Exercise in 1987 from Utah State University. She has professional certifications and licenses as a Registered Dietician (ADA), Certified Specialist in Ports Dietetics (CSSD), Adult Weight Management and ISAK Kinanthropometry. Prior to her time at MSUB, Dr. Gabel held the rank of Full Professor at the University of Idaho. She retired from the University of Idaho in spring 2008, and in fall 2008 Dr. Gabel began teaching part-time for Montana State University Billings in the Department of Health and Human Services.
and has supervised and assisted with more than 20 undergraduate and seven graduate thesis as well as numerous student research projects. Dr. Gable worked with two students, who completed undergraduate research that was accepted to the European College of Sport Science Congress (Amsterdam) and the Conference on Kinesiology, Exercise and Sport Sciences (Paris). Since the students did not attend, Dr. Gable presented their projects for them at the conferences.

Dr. Gable co-authored and co-edited the current KIN 105 text (Foundations of Exercise Science). She has 53 scholarly peer-reviewed book chapters, manuscripts or abstract publication and has presented over 42 professional workshops, seminars and presentations at the state, regional, national and international levels.

During her tenure at Montana State University Billings, Kathe Gabel received the Faculty Excellence Award in 2015 and the Outstanding Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching in 2009. Other noteworthy recognitions Kathe has received include the June Yerrington Award for the Idaho Dietetics Association, Outstanding Life-Time Service Award in 2003 and had the opportunity to be a Visiting Professor at the University of Aberdeen, Scotland UK in 1998.

It is for these numerous and highly notable contributions that faculty in the Department of Health and Human Performance have nominated Dr. Kathe Gabel for the rank of Professor Emeritus of Health and Human Performance at Montana State University Billings. It is also for these contributions that I concur with the Department’s recommendation.

Thank you for your careful consideration of the nomination of Dr. Kathe Gabel as Professor Emeritus of Health and Human Performance, College of Allied Health Professions, Montana State University Billings.

NEW PROFESSOR EMERITUS

Dr. Sharon Hobbs

Upon the retirement of Dr. Sharon Hobbs from the faculty of Montana State University Billings, the faculty of the College of Education extends its appreciation to Dr. Hobbs for twenty one years of dedication and meritorious service to the College, University, and the community. In recognition of her valued competence and in light of compelling evidence of said competence and selfless service, we recommend that the rank of Professor Emeritus of Educational Theory and Practice be conferred on her by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System/

Dr. Hobbs’ educational background includes a Ph.D. in Education, Culture and Society awarded by the University of Utah as well as an M.Ed. in Educational Studies, also from the University of Utah. There, while in her doctoral program, Dr. Hobbs was recognized by the Spencer Foundation as a Dissertation Fellow. This prestigious recognition is best described by the Foundation itself in saying:

“The Dissertation Fellowship Program seeks to encourage a new generation of scholars from a wide range of disciplines and professional fields to undertake research relevant to the improvement of education. These $25,000 fellowships support individuals whose dissertations show potential for bringing fresh and constructive perspectives to the history, theory, or practice of formal or informal education anywhere in the world. This highly competitive program aims to identify the most talented researchers conducting dissertation research related to education.”

Dr. Hobbs’ exemplary teaching builds upon this goal of “improvement of education.” She has tirelessly worked toward this improvement through her teaching both undergraduate and graduate courses that are core to the professional preparation and development of educators in all areas of elementary, secondary and special education. In these courses she not only builds the philosophical and ethical base that every educator must have to be successful, but also the knowledge of the ever-changing legal implications in their professional practice.

As a consequence of Dr. Hobbs’ continual efforts to improve the education of not only her students, but the eventual students of her students when they become teachers, she became one of the first faculty members at MSU Billings to teach in an online format. She converted multiple face-to-face courses to the online delivery medium. With the expertise she developed as an early adopter, she became not only an example of what was possible in online instruction, but she became a vital resource for colleagues in the College of Education and throughout the MSU Billings campus.

Dr. Hobbs has advised hundreds of undergraduates and graduate students. She has continually set a high standard in advising, seeing herself as a mentor who nurtures long-term relationships with her advisees. This has made her a much-sought-after faculty advisor.

Ernest Boyer, when writing in Scholarship Reconsidered: Priorities of the Professoriate, could have been describing Dr. Hobbs’ goals and accomplishments in saying:

“…the work of the scholar also means stepping back from one’s own investigation, looking for connections, building bridges between theory and practice, and communicating one’s knowledge effectively to students. Specifically, we conclude that the work of the professoriate might be thought of as having four separate, yet overlapping functions. These are: the scholarship of discovery; the scholarship of integration; the scholarship of application; and the scholarship of teaching.”

(Boyer, 1990, p.16)

She has published scholarly papers and presented at professional conferences locally, regionally

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and nationally. Her scholarship activities have indeed focused on discovery, integration and application, all with the goal of enhancing her teaching. Dr. Hobbs has continually provided for her colleagues an example Boyer's understanding of scholarship.

Of special note is the fact that Dr. Hobbs leaves an undeniable mark on MSU Billings with her dedicated and wide-ranging service. As an example, at the departmental level she has served as Graduate Program Leader, Department Rank and Tenure Committee chair and numerous search committees.

At the College level Dr. Hobbs’ service contributions in the area of accreditation are especially meaningful. She has served an instrumental role in three college accreditation cycles. Dr. Hobbs chaired or participated on various accreditation-related committees. Beyond that she has assumed prime responsibility for preparing both self-study and report documents as well as exhibitions of substantiating evidence.

Dr. Hobbs has also served in a key role in accreditation preparation at the University level as a member of the Steering Committee for the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. She has served on the University Graduate Committee for an extended period, including as Vice-Chair and Chair. In addition, Dr. Hobbs has selflessly served on numerous other committees across the whole campus.


For her career-long example of excellence in teaching, noteworthy scholarship and outstanding service to MSU Billings, the State of Montana, and her profession, the faculty of the College of are honored to nominate Dr. Sharon Hobbs to the rank of Professor Emeritus of Educational Theory and Practice at Montana State University Billings.

NEW PROFESSOR EMERITUS

Dr. Tasneem Khaleel

Dr. Tasneem Khaleel
Professor Emeritus of Biology

Upon the occasion of the retirement of Dr. Tasneem Khaleel from the faculty of Montana State University Billings, College of Arts and Sciences, the faculty extends its appreciation to Dr. Tasneem Khaleel for her 41 years of dedicated and valued service to the Department of Biological and Physical Sciences, to the University, and to the State of Montana by recommending that the rank of Professor Emeritus be conferred upon her by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

Since joining the Biology faculty in 1976, Dr. Khaleel has made major contributions to her department, the University and to the community in teaching, service, scholarship, and other professional areas. She was awarded tenure in 1979 and promoted to Associate Professor in 1980 and Full Professor in 1986. During her tenure at MSUB/EMC, Dr. Khaleel served the Department, the College and the University as an administrator, leader, researcher, consultant, teacher and advisor. Dr. Khaleel has served as Chair of the Department of Modern Languages and Literature (1994-1996), Director of Graduate Studies and Research (1993-1996), Chair of the Department of Biological and Physical Sciences (1996-2004), and Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences (2004-2015).

Dr. Khaleel earned her Ph.D. in Botany (1970) from Bangalore University, India; M.Sc. in Botany (1963) from Mysore University, India; and her B.Sc. in Botany and Zoology with a Minor in Chemistry (1961) from Mysore University, India. During her tenure at Montana State University Billings, Dr. Khaleel has taught a diversity of Biology and Botany courses, authored and co-authored numerous publications, presented her research at state, regional, national and international conferences, received several faculty excellence awards, is the recipient of the Mershon Award from the Montana Academy of Science for her research, served as an external examiner on numerous thesis committees and obtained external grants from such prestigious funding agencies as the National Science Foundation and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

The diversity of Dr. Khaleel’s scholarly achievements revolved around the embryology and cytotomy of plants in addition to her dedication to maintaining the MSU Billings herbarium, a regional and national plant archive. Dr. Khaleel’s service to the campus has also had a profound and lasting impact on Montana State University Billings and the Science Department. The herbarium that Dr. Khaleel established, maintains and manages consolidated collections from the herbaria of Eastern Montana Normal School, Eastern Montana College, Rocky Mountain College, the U. S. Forest Service, the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and the Bureau of Land Management. She initiated a specimen exchange program with the U.S. Herbaria and created a database for 16,000 specimens, some of which date back to late 1800 and early 1900. The Herbarium is Registered in “Index Herbariorum”, a global directory of public herbaria and is part of the Intermountain Region Herbarium Network. She published 4,676 specimens of Missouri Plateau plants to the national database.
of Consortium of Northern Great Plains Herbaria. The Herbarium also serves as a tool for basic research in plant systematics, ecology, phytogeography, and evolution. The collections are also actively used in teaching and research as a resource to provide population localities for studies of a diverse nature, ranging from biological control to rare plants.

The measure of Dr. Khaeleel’s long and rich career must include all she has done toward the advancement of others. She has been and always will be a passionate advocate for students, science faculty, and the College of Arts and Sciences faculty among women. It is a testament to her passion and dedication that the university honored her by instituting the Dr. Tasneem Khaleel Award for Mentoring Young Professional Women in 2014. She was recognized last spring for her work with students from Disability Support Services.

It is therefore the consensus of her colleagues in the Department of Biological and Physical Sciences that her many contributions, as summarized above, make Dr. Tasneem Khaleel worthy of the designation of Professor Emeritus of Biology at Montana State University Billings.

The faculty of the Department of Biological and Physical Sciences are pleased to nominate Professor Dr. Tasneem Khaelel for the rank of Professor Emeritus of Biology at Montana State University Billings.

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**NEW PROFESSOR EMERITUS**

Dr. Mary McNally

**Professor Emeritus of Management**

Upon the retirement of Dr. Mary McNally from the faculty of Montana State University Billings, the faculty of the College of Business extends its appreciation to Dr. McNally for 29 years of dedication and valued service to the College, University, and community. In recognition of her exemplary professional competence and compelling evidence of effective service, we recommend that the rank of Professor Emeritus of Management be conferred upon her by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

Dr. McNally began her career at MSU Billings (Eastern Montana College) in September 1987 as a fixed term instructor. She was hired as an Assistant Professor in the fall of 1991; promoted to Associate Professor in 1994; was awarded tenure in 1995; and promoted to Full Professor in 2000.

Dr. McNally earned a BS degree in Urban Studies from Worcester State College in 1978; a MBA from Indiana University in 1980; and a PhD in Geography (specializing in Economic Geography) from the University of Chicago in 1991.

Prior to her employment at MSUB, Dr. McNally was a Woodrow Wilson Fellow and served as Dean at Sinte Gleska College (now University) in Rosebud, SD for three years. During her tenure as Dean SGC became the first tribal College to attain four-year accreditation. She also worked as a consultant at Al Chalabi Group in Chicago for a year.

During her tenure at EMC/MSUB Dr. McNally served the College as an administrator, leader, teacher, researcher and advisor. Dr. McNally served as Chair of the Management and Economics Department for two years (1996-98) when there were two departments in what is now the COB. She subsequently was Interim Dean of the College of Business for 1 and 1/2 years (2005-6).

As a faculty member, Dr. McNally taught a variety of courses, initially in marketing as well as management. As the COB evolved and moved toward AACSB accreditation, Dr. McNally focused on teaching and research in management. In the past decade she has been the lead faculty on teaching International Business. In support of that Dr. McNally has developed ties between MSUB and the University of Denver/BYU Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER), which included MSUB hosting its first Rocky Mountain CIBER conference in Billings.

She also led first time short- term study abroad programs with students to Kumamoto, Japan and Jilin, China. Dr. McNally continues to serve on the board of the Rocky Mountain CIBER, and has presented at their Conferences.

Dr. McNally has also been the lead faculty on developing interdisciplinary curriculum. She was on the advisory board that created the Environmental Studies major in the College of Arts and Sciences; helped secure funding for an ArcView GIS lab; and was awarded a FIPSE grant for an innovative business geographics minor in market mapping. Dr. McNally also brought sustainability principles into the business curriculum and the University community through her successful Business and Natural Environment course and work with environmental studies as well as business students. Dr. McNally secured a $53,000 grant that supported an interdisciplinary project with the City of Billings to increase awareness of energy conservation efforts. She has taught sustainability courses for the MBA program and the graduate program at the School for International Training. She has been recognized by ASMSUB as an outstanding teacher (2002-03 and 2009-10) and received their first Outstanding Leadership in Environmental Sustainability Award (2009-10).

Dr. McNally is author or co-author of 16 publications, including articles in Natural Resources Journal, Water Resources Journal, Regional Studies, The International Journal of Case Studies, Journal of Global Marketing, Environments, Montana Business Quarterly, American Society of Business and Behavioral Sciences, Papers and Proceedings of the Applied...
Geography Conferences, Proceedings of the Marketing Management Association, and American Marketing Association Symposium on the Marketing of Higher Education. She contributed chapters to Indian Water in the New West and International Business in the 21st Century, and presented at numerous conferences and forums. Her research contributions included writing funded proposals, ranging from a three-year Fund for Improvement for Post-Secondary Education grant for $200,000 (1995-98); TII Foundation Grant for $30,000 (1999); $53,000 for Energy Star Project (2009-12); and small institutional grants for research support.

Dr. McNally’s service to the University and College has been significant. In addition to serving as Department Chair and Interim Dean, she served on the following EMC/MSUB major committees:
- University Rank and Tenure Committee (8 years); 2 years as Chair
- Academic Senate (5 years); Secretary for 1 year
- UCC (1 year)
- Strategic Planning (2 years)
- Union Executive Committee (5 years)
- Union Negotiation team (3 years)
- FACC (2 years)
- Environmental Studies Committee and DRTC (7 years)

She also served on RACE; Graduate Committee; College of Professional Studies; Allied and Technical Committee; Sabbatical Committee; Minority Student Task Force; Admissions Committee; Athletic Program Review Committee; Affirmative Action Advisory Committee; MSUB Dean Search Committee(s); Outcome Assessment (6 years); College of Professional Studies Curriculum Development (5 years); and Administrative Assessment Committee(s).

College of Business Committees included the following:
- Unit/Department Rank and Tenure Committee (11 years); Chair two years
- Advisory Board; at least 6 years
- Graduate related program Committees (5 years);

the College of Business had a graduate program for several years (MSIPC)

- Assorted Search Committees (Dean, faculty): perennial

Additional committees included Academic Policy Committee (2 years); Curriculum Committee/Task force (4 years); Travel Committee; Student Placement Committee; COB Outcome Assessment Committee(s), etc.

Community involvement has included:
- Yellowstone Public Radio Board (6 years - ongoing)
- Mayor’s Commission on Environment and Conservation, appointed member (5 years)
- Alberta Bair Board (6 years)
- Zonta: International Service Organization of executive women in business and the professions (9 years; served on Board)
- Montana Conservation Voters (5 years); local board Chair (1 year)
- Board Member, Community 7 (3 years)
- Reach to Recovery, American Cancer Society (4 years)
- Board of Directors, Rescue Mission (2 years)

In 2010 Dr. McNally was elected to the Montana State Legislature as the Representative from House District 49 (downtown Billings). She served in the House for four years (two sessions), and was a member of the Tax, Energy and Telecommunications, and Local Government Committees. In 2014 she was elected to the Montana Senate, and represents Senate District 24, which includes downtown and MSUB. She has served on the Judiciary, Energy and Telecommunications, and Local Government Committees in the Senate. She has also been a member of the Legislative Audit Committee for six years, and is currently co-chair. A notable personal accomplishment from the 2015 Legislative Session was co-sponsorship of HB 258 Authorizing Benefits Corporations. Benefits Corporation is a new form of for-profit corporate structure that allows corporations to have explicit goals to benefit society as well as shareholders. The bill passed and Montana is now one of about 30 states allowing this new corporate form.

NEW PROFESSOR EMERITUS

Dr. St. John Robinson

Dr. St. John Robinson
Professor Emeritus of Spanish

Upon the occasion of the retirement of Dr. St. John Robinson from the faculty of Montana State University Billings, the faculty extends its appreciation to Dr. St. John Robinson for his 35 years of dedicated and valued service to the Department of English, Philosophy and Modern Languages, to the University, and to the State of Montana by recommending that the rank of Professor Emeritus be conferred upon him by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

Since joining the Spanish faculty in 1982, Dr. Robinson has made major contributions to his department, the University and to the community in teaching, service, and scholarship. He was promoted to Associate Professor in 1988 and to Full Professor in 1996. From 1987 to 1993, and again from 2000-2009, he was appointed Department Chair. During his tenure as Chair, Dr. Robinson led his faculty, staff and students through various changes in policy, personnel and politics, never failing in his support for and development of the language programs and the people who sustained them. In 2009, the Spanish Department became a part of the Department of English, Philosophy and Modern Languages.
and from that point, St. John continued to direct the Modern Languages faculty and programs. Dr. Robinson continues to direct the Modern Language Program and is the academic coordinator of International Studies.

In addition to serving as Chair (1987-1993, 2000-2009), he also served as Director of the Japanese Program (1983-1986), Director of the area FLES Program (Foreign Languages in Elementary Schools), Chair of the Academic Senate (1990-1992), Co-Chair (1989-1990) and later Chair (2003-2004) of the College of Arts and Sciences Policy Committee, and is currently the Academic Coordinator of the International Studies Minor. He is also a Board Member of the Montana Migrant Council. Dr. Robinson’s work with the Montana Migrant Council has provided our students with excellent internship opportunities at the council’s clinics in Billings, Hardin, Bridger, and at Flathead Lake. The experience students’ gain through these internships is similar to a graduate-level internship in which students must apply high-level language and cultural skills in a medical environment. This internship opportunity is unique to our campus and gives our students invaluable first-hand experiences and training in a real world setting. Dr. Robinson established this program in the 1980s, and we continue to place students with the Montana Migrant Council every year.

St. John’s dedication and expertise have sustained and promoted the language programs at MSUB for decades, and his commitment and service to the university is and has been exemplary.

In teaching, Dr. Robinson developed and has taught a number of courses which make-up the Spanish major. The Civilization and Culture courses (SPNS 311-312) include study of language development, art, geography, history, cultures, and film in order to offer current and well-rounded education for our students. He also developed a General Education course focused on Latin American culture, history, and traditions across time and geography. In addition, he designed and developed an outstanding literature sequence (SPNS 314, 405, 406) which provides our majors with a comprehensive foundation of literary and cultural trends and events.

In scholarly contributions, Dr. Robinson has presented and published with consistency. He has published two books, several book chapters, numerous journal articles, over 20 encyclopedia articles, and dozens of presentations at the local, state, national, and international levels. He also has translated documents for the university, hospitals, legal services, and a variety of community organizations for 35 years.

On a more personal note, St. John contributes to the department not only in service, scholarship, and teaching, but he also makes our work enjoyable - it is a pleasure to work with him. His guidance and mentoring of junior faculty has been invaluable to the department, to the success of the language programs, and to the university as a whole.

Because of his numerous contributions to his department, college, and university through 35 years of dedicated service, especially for his dedication as chair and later director of a diverse and multidisciplinary department, it is the consensus of his colleagues in the Department of English, Philosophy and Modern Languages that Dr. St. John Robinson clearly merits the recognition accorded by the designation of Professor Emeritus of Spanish at Montana State University Billings.

NEW INSTRUCTOR EMERITUS
Dr. Timothy Urbaniak

Dr. Timothy Urbaniak  
Instructor Emeritus of Computer Technology and Drafting and Design

Upon the occasion of the retirement of instructor, Timothy R. Urbaniak, from the faculty of City College at Montana State University Billings, the faculty wishes to extend its appreciation for his 29 years of dedicated and valued service to the University, the Department of Computer Technology and Drafting and Design, City College at Montana State University Billings, and the State of Montana by recommending the rank of instructor Emeritus to be conferred on him by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

Timothy R. Urbaniak earned his certificate in Drafting Technology in 1977, his associate of Applied Science in Drafting Technology from the Billings Vocational Technical Center in the spring of 1993; his Bachelors of Science in Liberal Studies in Multi Media Technology from Montana State University Billings in 1990; his Master of Science in Public Relations from Montana State University Billings in 2002; and his Doctor of Philosophy in Anthropology in 2014. His areas of specialization include drafting, design, and multimedia technology and its application in multiple facets, including architecture and cultural resource preservation and management.

Instructor Urbaniak, though not required by his position, carried forth an active and successful research agenda. He has published works on AutoCAD drafting including contributions to test books by McGraw- Hill. He has make four presentations at professional societies regarding drafting technology, service learning, and applied research at two-year colleges and the impact it has on the classroom. Instructor Urbaniak’s efforts at expanding the horizons of drafting and design technology into the field of cultural resource preservation and management have made him a leader in the field. He has also become a sought after scholar for his expertise in technological applications in archaeology.

He has directed the MSUB Archaeological Field Team for twenty years engaging students and
Dr. Stanley Wiatr  
Professor Emeritus of Biology

Upon the occasion of the retirement of Dr. Stan Wiatr from the faculty of Montana State University Billings, College of Arts and Sciences, the faculty extends its appreciation to Dr. Stan Wiatr for his 37 years of dedicated and valued service to the Department of Biological and Physical Sciences, to the University, and to the State of Montana by recommending that the rank of Professor Emeritus be conferred upon him by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

Since joining the Biology faculty in 1979, Dr. Wiatr has made major contributions to his department, the University and to the community in teaching, service, scholarship, and other professional areas. He was awarded tenure in 1985, with promotion to Associate Professor. During his tenure at MSUB/EMC, Dr. Wiatr served the Department as an administrator, leader, researcher, consultant, teacher and advisor. Dr. Wiatr has served as Chair of the Department of Biological and Physical Sciences from spring 2004-2015.

Dr. Wiatr earned his Ph.D. in Botany in 1978 from the University of California, Davis; M.Sc. in Botany, in 1974 from University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada; and his B.A. in Biology, in 1972 from State University of New York, Oswego.

During his tenure at Montana State University Billings, Dr. Wiatr has taught a diversity of Biology and Botany courses, authored and co-authored numerous publications, presented his research at state, regional, and national conferences and obtained external grants from such prestigious funding agencies as the National Science Foundation, Department of Energy and Licor.

The diversity of Dr. Wiatr’s scholarly achievements is illustrated by his research focus on the prospectus for the utilization of Leafy Spurge, Cattail and other unconventional crops as a source of liquid fuel and biomass, sugar beet fermentation and ethanol production and seasonal variation in benthic community structure of the Bighorn River. Keeping up with the decades of tradition in the sciences, he has consistently involved undergraduate students in his research and publications. Dr. Wiatr’s service to the campus has also had a profound and lasting impact on Montana State University Billings and the Science Department. He effectively maintained a course of continued improvement in the sciences and has revitalized the offering of science labs through equipment purchases and updates. As department chair, Dr. Wiatr oversaw the revitalization of the research being carried out within the department. Under his guidance, faculty in the department brought in millions of dollars in grant funding and garnered the university’s first patent. Robust assessment strategies were implemented in the biological sciences and based on the data returned from that assessment, significant changes were made to departmental programs.

Dr. Wiatr spearheaded the effort to bring a significant cutting edge technology into the science classrooms. For example, Dr. Wiatr established the first Scanning Electron Microscopy lab at MSU-Billings. Also, among the many updates that were made under his leadership that greatly improved the student experience at MSUB were an NMR, HPLCs, GC-Mass Specs, a fluorescence microscopy suite and a real-time PCR machine. He served on numerous college and university committees in addition to acting as the Campus Radiation Safety Officer. He served the community with outreach efforts as a judge for the Billings Clinic Science Expo and with special presentations to local high school teachers.

The measure of Dr. Wiatr’s long and rich career must include all he has done for countless students, with whom he has shared endless hours of guidance and encouragement; and for colleagues, whom he has mentored.

It is therefore the consensus of his colleagues in the Department of Biological and Physical Sciences that his many contributions as summarized above make Dr. Stanley Wiatr worthy of the designation of Professor Emeritus of Biology at Montana State University Billings.

The faculty of the Department of Biological and Physical Sciences is pleased to nominate Professor Dr. Stanley M. Wiatr for the rank of Professor Emeritus of Biology at Montana State University Billings.
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Where the Yellowstone meets the Rimrocks
Under heaven’s arching blue,
Raise our song to MSUB,
Alma Mater, here’s to you.

When our youth’s bright sun is shining,
When life’s clouds are small and few,
Montana State University in Billings,
Alma Mater, here’s to you.

As the years roll swiftly onward,
and our lives are filled with care,
We will honor MSUB,
And the happy hours spent there.

Where the Yellowstone meets the Rimrock,
When night’s stars come shining through,
Montana State University in Billings,
Alma Mater, here’s to you.

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