2018-2019 ACA Faculty Fellowship Recipients

The Appalachian College Association is pleased to announce the recipients of the ACA’s 2018-19 Faculty Fellowships. Through this program, the Association is able to furnish financial support to member institutions and their faculty for terminal degree completion, summer research, and semester or year-long sabbatical support.

This year, thirteen faculty members were awarded fellowships:

**Greg Blanton, Professor of Psychology and Human Services**  
**Montreat College**  
*Summer research project to initiate a manuscript that examines the integration of Christian contemplative practices and virtue ethics*

**Teena Carroll, Associate Professor of Mathematics**  
**Emory & Henry College**  
*Semester leave to write a manuscript focused upon the “The Poetry of Calculus: Calculus in Haiku.”*

**Kristen Cecala, Assistant Professor of Biology**  
**University of the South**  
*Year-long leave to investigate how individual variability in the natural environment contributes to population resilience or decline*

**David Coffey, Professor of Physics**  
**Warren Wilson College**  
*Year-long leave to collaborate with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory studying the physics of perovskites and their use in solar cells*

**Noah DeLong, Associate Professor of Music**  
**Milligan College**  
*Semester leave to research, organize, and conduct the Italian-American composer Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco's first oratorio, The Book of Ruth, written in 1949 but never published or performed in its entirety*

**Sean Hayden, Assistant Professor of Religion and Philosophy**  
**Tennessee Wesleyan University**  
*Semester leave to complete book project, A Better Worldliness: The Theology of Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

**Alisa Hove, Professor of Biology**  
**Warren Wilson College**  
*Year-long leave to complete research in evolutionary genetics investigating how montane species are responding to global change*

**Elise Kikis, Associate Professor of Biology**  
**University of the South**  
*Year-long leave to study the potentially toxic relationship of small particulate matter produced by the combustion of fossil fuels on cellular proteins, causing them to misfold and thereby leading to the onset of neurodegenerative disease*
Don King, Professor of English
Montreat College
Summer research grant to continue researching and writing Soldier, Writer, Inkling: A Life of Warren Hamilton Lewis

Melvin Macklin, Associate Professor of English
Ferrum College
Year-long leave to examine the atrocities of the German Holocaust and their impact on Jewish children

Maria Moreno, Associate Professor of French
Mars Hill University
Year-long leave to complete a cultural studies project examining the longstanding and ongoing impact of the slave trade on France and its port cities

Heather Vaccaro, Assistant Professor of Business Administration
Milligan College
Pre-Doctoral semester leave to complete doctoral degree, including dissertation focused upon the job satisfaction and organizational commitment of faculty members at Council of Christian Colleges and Universities

Adrienne Warfield, Associate Professor of English
Mars Hill University
Year-long leave to examine how American novelists have engaged with questions of racial and social justice in their depictions of educational and legal history, particularly in relation to the desegregation and re-segregation of public schools