Kristin Jacobson Receives Fulbright Grant

Kristin Jacobson received a 2017-18 Fulbright U.S. Scholar grant at Aristotle University in Thessaloniki, Greece. Jacobson will be housed in the university’s Department of American Literature and Culture during the Spring 2018 semester.

Jacobson’s project, titled, “Building and Sustaining Environmental and University Partnerships,” aims to add environmental perspectives to the university’s program; offer professional development workshops; grow Stockton’s existing exchange with Aristotle University; and research and develop connections with environmental agencies working in Greece.

As part of her Fulbright, Jacobson will work to advance the existing exchange between Stockton and the host institution as well as initiate service-learning opportunities with an environmental focus.

During the spring term, she will teach two courses, an American environmental literature course as well as a course on the research paper.

“I greatly appreciate the work and support of Stockton’s faculty and administration,” said Jacobson. “I would not be able to pursue this opportunity without the support of my Literature and American Studies faculty; the ARHU dean, Dr. Lisa Honaker; and the Dean of General Studies, Dr. Rob Gregg.

“I also want to recognize the work of my colleagues in the Interdisciplinary Center for Hellenic Studies [ICHS] — especially Professors David Roessel, Tom Papademetriou and Katherine Panagakos,” continued Jacobson. “I am benefiting from Stockton University’s sustained relationship with the Greek community—both here in South Jersey and in Greece. The ICHS and the faculty and administration involved with the Aristotle-Stockton exchange play a key role in my success.”

Jacobson looks forward to facilitating new connections among Stockton faculty and initiatives with Aristotle University. She welcomes interested faculty and environmentally focused organizations to connect with Kristin Jacobson during the fall semester.
The Stockton Center for Community Engagement (SCCE) recently announced successful reporting for its Homework Completion Program in Atlantic City for AY 2016-17, with numerous Stockton students and A.C. residents aged 18 or younger participating in the programs.

The primary goals of the initiatives are to engage children in their schoolwork and offer youth a vision of the potential of a post-secondary education.

The Homework Completion Program at Stanley S. Holmes Village completed its third year, while the program at Buzby Village completed its second year and the pilot program at the Atlantic City Police Athletic League completed its first year, explained Merydawilda Colón, director of the SCCE.

The programs are also intended to foster trust in the children toward police officers.

“The programs have been so successful that we are opening our first one in Pleasantville this fall,” said Colón.

The initiatives are a collaboration between the SCCE, the Atlantic City Police Department, and the Atlantic City Housing Authority and Urban Development Agency.

“We are also excited to welcome our new academic year with the support of Patricia W. Collins (Trish) and Heather Swenson Brilla,” continued Colón. “Trish is our community engagement liaison and joined the SCCE in May. Heather is our community projects coordinator and joined full-time on July 22.

“Trish and Heather are already making their mark in all the SCCE programs. We are thrilled to have their contributions to our community work,” she said.

Harvey Kesselman Named Chair of NJASCU Presidents’ Council

President Harvey Kesselman has been selected to serve as chair of the New Jersey Association of State Colleges and Universities (NJASCU) Presidents’ Council for AY 2017-18.

Acting as an advocate in the state capital and throughout the state, NJASCU supports the missions and well-being of senior public institutions of higher education, according to the organization’s website.

“It is an honor to be named chair of the Presidents’ Council for the New Jersey Association of State Colleges and Universities,” Kesselman said. “This important organization fosters dialogue and community between the state’s institutions of higher education and serves as a liaison to further state public policy and legislation. I look forward to working with my peers to advance New Jersey institutions’ development and promote their successes in the changing landscape of higher education.”

Michael Bradeis Named Interim Emergency Management Coordinator

Michael Bradeis has joined Stockton as interim emergency management coordinator. In this new role, he will update Stockton’s emergency management plans, provide training exercises and collaborate with University officials to ensure they are trained in their respective areas of expertise.

Bradeis recently served as the county deputy emergency management coordinator at the Atlantic County Department of Public Safety. He brings over 14 years of experience in the field of emergency management to Stockton and is well versed in emergency management best practices.

Janice Joseph Teaches and Presents in Europe and Asia

Janice Joseph, Distinguished Professor of Criminal Justice and coordinator of Victimology and Victim Services, recently taught and presented to victims in countries in Europe and Asia.

In May 2017, she taught a seminar on gender-based violence at Kiel University in Kiel, Germany. She also presented on the United Nations’ “Sustainable Development Goals and Female Victims” at the United Nations meeting in Vienna, Austria. In addition, Joseph chaired a panel at the United Nations titled, “Refugees and Their Needs and Rights,” focusing on refugee rights as victims. Also in May, she team-taught a post-graduate Victimology course in Dubrovnik, Croatia.

In June 2017, Joseph presented at the executive committee meeting of the World Society of Victimology (WSV) in Hong Kong, China. She is an elected member of the executive committee and chair of the WSV U.N. Liaison Committee. The WSV conducts its conference every three years and Hong Kong will be the venue for its 16th International Symposium in 2018.

“It is always an honor and a privilege to work collaboratively with my international colleagues. They are incredible,” said Joseph.

Naz Onel Chairs Transformative Consumer Research Conference

Naz Onel, assistant professor of Business Studies, served as track chair for the Sustainable Consumption Track at the 2017 Transformative Consumer Research Conference.

The conference took place at Cornell University from June 18-20.

Onel and her team worked on their track theme over the course of two days.

Onel’s international team, which included scholars from countries such as Switzerland, Spain, China, and all around U.S., will be working on the post-conference research on the track theme together for a future publication.

CARE Program Moves to New Office Location; Looking for Mentors

The CARE (Coordinated Actions to Retain and Educate) Program has moved to room D-116. The CARE Program is looking to expand its services and is in need of volunteer mentors. For more information, visit the CARE Program website and apply to be a CARE Program Mentor. The faculty and staff mentor training will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 23 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in room F-121.
Bess Kathrins Retires

Bess Kathrins, pictured center, with Physical Therapy program faculty. Kathrins retired this year after 30 years of service at Stockton. She was the founding coordinator of the Physical Therapy program, which she led for nearly the duration of her tenure at the University. The Bess Kathrins School of Health Sciences Scholarship Award has been created in her honor. Congratulations to Kathrins and all 2016-17 retirees!

Kymberly Romanelli and Husband Dean Welcome Baby Girl

Kymberly Romanelli, program assistant for Facilities Planning, and her husband, Dean, welcomed their first child on July 12 at 11:29 p.m. Zoe Elizabeth Romanelli weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and measured 19.5 inches long.

Lisa Warnock and Husband Mark Welcome Baby Boy

Lisa Warnock, coordinator of Event Services, and her husband, Mark, welcomed their first child on Aug. 4 at 3:28 a.m. Callum “Cal” Peter Warnock weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and measured 20.75 inches long.

Reminder: Register for Parking Permit for 2017-18 Academic Year

Parking permit registration is now available online at Stockton.edu/parking. New permits will be required for everyone for the 2017-18 academic year. Last year’s permit may not be used. All faculty, staff and students must order a new permit; those who registered last year will be able to select information from previously populated fields. For more information, contact Michael Sullivan, manager of Parking & Transportation Services, at ext. 5534 or Michael.Sullivan@stockton.edu.