

SPECIAL ISSUE: FACULTY MENTOR RECOGNITION

THANK YOU ONLINE FACULTY MENTORS!

On behalf of Academic Affairs and the Faculty Center for Innovation, we wish to thank the **51** Park faculty who dedicated their time and talents to mentor new Park online instructors during the 2022-2023 academic year. To view the full list of these mentors [CLICK HERE](#).

MENTORS OF THE YEAR

Please join us in congratulating Donna Ehrlich, Wen Hsin, William Roeder, Walton Stallings, Amanda St. George, and Scot Cates for being honored as Mentors of the Year for AY 2022-23. These faculty have exceeded all expectations in their service to the Online Instructor Mentoring Program.



Donna Ehrlich

**Assoc. Teaching Prof., Business Analytics
Online Environment**

Donna first mentored a fellow Park faculty in 2017, and she returned this spring to mentor as a writing intensive specialist in



Wen Hsin

**Professor, Computer Science
Parkville Campus, MO**

A true joy to work with, Wen is so enthusiastic about mentoring that she initially contacted us to volunteer to help

the high impact course mentoring pilot, which was part of the 2022-2023 Student Persistence and Completion Committee. She was able to provide valuable insight to the project using her experiences and collaborating with Cathy Taylor and the adjunct faculty course developer of a business class with technical writing components that also had extensive experience. Going above and beyond, she also provided a thorough list of recommendations and feedback for the committee.

others instead of being recruited. Credentialed by the Association of College and University Educators (ACUE) on Effective Teaching Practices and Promoting Active Learning Online, Wen is a regular at our virtual faculty mentor meetings and won a Best Halloween Costume Award with her angel costume—or perhaps that halo was real? In 2021, Wen won the J.L. Zwingle Award for outstanding faculty member. This spring, she is mentoring a new online adjunct faculty who is teaching a class that she developed.



William Roeder

Adjunct Faculty, Political Science

Online Environment

Park graduate, USAF Certified Master Resilience Trainer, USAF veteran, and former Academic Director at Mountain Home AFB, Billy is a fountain of knowledge about teaching and supporting Park military students. He has mentored new online adjunct faculty for the past six academic years while working toward his PhD in Public Administration from Liberty



Walton Stallings

Adjunct Faculty, English

Online Environment

Dees has served as a volunteer faculty mentor every year since 2015, mentoring both adjunct faculty and full-time faculty. He has a long history at Park as he trained new faculty and developers at the beginning of our online program. Most recently, he served as a writing intensive specialist in the high impact course mentoring pilot, which was part of the

University, expected in 2024 and is also serving on the Park Alumni Council as Marking Chair. When you combine his military service and service to Park, he is truly a Park Ambassador of Awesome.



Amanda St. George

Adjunct Faculty, Psychology

Gilbert Campus, AZ

Amanda has been teaching for the Park buccaneers at Gilbert for three years and has served as a peer review of teaching fellow. This year, Amanda joined the Gilbert Academic Affairs team part-time as an instructional quality specialist as well. During the 22-23 academic year, Amanda mentored 13 new adjunct faculty, put together Canvas workshops, and recorded numerous “how to” videos for the entire faculty team at the Gilbert Campus. Amanda is creative, dedicated to student-centered learning techniques, an expert in the Canvas LMS platform, and skilled in universal course design. We are so very appreciative of all she adds to our Gilbert campus academic affairs team while she is working toward her PhD.

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Scot Cates

Adjunct Faculty, Mgmt. & International Bus.

Ft. Bliss Campus, TX & Online Plus

Scot is one of nine new volunteer faculty mentors who joined the faculty mentoring Pirate ship crew to serve with Patrick Gallegos at the helm of the Online Plus pilot. Scot is always in a good mood and gives 100% to what he does. Credentialed by ACUE on Effective Teaching Practices, he has enthusiastically served the university for many years as an Assistant Academic Director at Fort Bliss and as a member of the Faculty Center for Innovation Advisory Council. In particular, he mentored new Online Plus adjunct faculty in four consecutive terms this year while completing his PhD. Shiver me timbers! Congratulations, Dr. Cates!

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