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Today's Headlines

February 1, 2019

Perdue Joins Lindenwood Administration as General Counsel



Starting Feb. 1, 2019, Troy Perdue joins the administration at Lindenwood University as general counsel. Perdue brings 20 years of experience as an attorney to the position, most recently as deputy general counsel at East Tennessee State University. Perdue replaces interim general counsel Kelly Moyich, who returns to her full-time position as Title IX coordinator.

Perdue earned his law degree from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, where he graduated Cum Laude, earned the Academic Excellence Award, and served as a staff writer for the *Tennessee Business Journal*.

He has extensive higher education experience; he worked at East Tennessee State University starting in 2010 as assistant general counsel, associate general counsel, interim general counsel, and deputy general counsel. Prior to that, he was in private practice from 1999 to 2009 as a corporate/real estate attorney. He has published and presented extensively and has taught a variety of law classes at the undergraduate and graduate collegiate levels.

"Troy brings nearly 10 years of higher education legal experience, a reputation for 'service excellence,' and outstanding interpersonal skills," said Frank Sanfilippo, Lindenwood CFO and vice president for fiscal affairs. "I look forward to having

Troy join our senior leadership team and help Lindenwood manage its legal and compliance risks.”

Sanfillippo said that Perdue will continue to work with outside counsel as necessary, and wished to thank Moyich for filling the interim role. Perdue said he also looks forward to starting the job.

“When my family and I visited Lindenwood for the first time, we fell in love with its beautiful campus and the welcoming community,” Perdue said. “We are excited about joining in and participating in the great things happening at Lindenwood.”

For the last 20 plus years, Lindenwood has had an internal general counsel, with Professor of Management Eric Stuhler and Criminal Justice Associate Professor Grant Shostak previously filling the role.

Perdue and his wife Jodi have four children, Emma, Elijah, Raiden, and Jazmine.

Report Compares Lindenwood with Similar Private Universities

We have recently [received a report](#) from IPEDS (the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System) that compares us to a group of Midwestern private universities. We selected these institutions because they are similar to Lindenwood in size, program offerings, and/or student demographics. Some are comparable to Lindenwood on many performance measures while others are aspirational. The report offers interesting insights into areas in which we compare well as well as areas of focus for improvement.

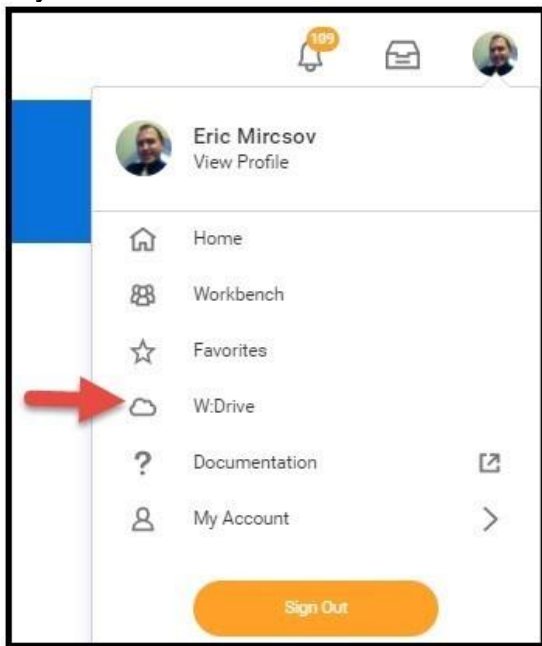
Black History Month

Lindenwood’s Black History Month has [several events happening during the month of February](#). The events are sponsored by the Black Student Union, CAB, DEI Task Force, John W. Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise, Liberty & Ethics Center, Office of Diversity & Inclusion, Pedestal, Pepsi, Student Involvement, and The University Committee on DEI.

Electronic Version of the 2018 1095C Forms are Now Available in Workday!

To access your forms, click on the ‘Pay’ worklet and choose ‘My ACA Forms’ under the My Statements menu. If your form does not automatically pop up after the processing window disappears you can find it on your W: drive in Workday or

in your notifications.



Paper copies of the 1095C Forms will be mailed to the home address on file.

If you have any questions please reach out to the Candace Terry
cterry@lindenwood.edu

Upcoming Student Involvement Events

Feb. 5 – Commuter Coffee

Student Involvement would like to invite commuter students to join us for [coffee and snacks](#) on Feb. 5 from 10 a.m. to noon in the LARC, second floor above Starbucks! In honor of Diversity Week and Black History Month, come enjoy ROOTS JAVA coffee from the only African American wholly owned coffee company in America, chat with other commuters on campus, and see what events are happening the rest of the semester.

Feb. 6 – Lunch with Leaders

Join us on Feb. 6 from noon to 1 p.m. in the Evans Commons Dining Room for [Lunch with Leaders](#)! Lunch with Leaders is an hour-long session where Lindenwood alumni are invited to campus to talk about their experiences. Lunch is provided, but space is limited. Students wishing to participate in this event will need to RSVP through Involve U by searching "Lunch with Leaders" and clicking on "I will be attending." For questions, please contact Rachael Heuermann at rheuermann@lindenwood.edu.

Anyone studying science, entrepreneurship, or education would benefit from this session! This month's featured alumni: Christine Rands (BS in Biology & MBA) - 20 years experience at Monsanto and owning her own consulting business and Neil Berry - Principal at Ft. Zumwalt West High School.

Faculty Regalia Order Portal Now Open

St. Charles Faculty – The Herff Jones faculty portal is now available to take regalia orders. The deadline to place an order will be March 23 with an anticipated arrival date of April 23. Please click the link below if you need to place an order.

<https://facultydirect.herffjones.com/>

Honors Convocation Nominations Now Accepted

Please take this opportunity to review the award categories below for the April 2019 Honors Convocation and submit a nomination for eligible candidates. Nominations for these awards are due in writing to the Office of the Provost, attention Zach Alley, no later than **February 15**. The nomination should take the form of a reference letter detailing the achievements of the student so that the selection committee has the information needed to make a fully informed decision.

Qualifications for candidates nominated for the Sibley and Easton awards:

A student that exemplifies the ideals of scholarship, leadership, loyalty, and service to the university and the community.

- 1) The student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater.
- 2) The student must be a December 2018, May 2019, or August 2019 undergraduate student in the traditional day program.
- 3) The student must show participation in a minimum of two campus activities, organizations or sports (and of the two, one must be an academic organization.)
- 4) The student must have remained in good academic and social standing during his/her tenure at the university.
- 5) The student must have attended Lindenwood for a minimum of four consecutive semesters.

- 6) The student must attend Lindenwood as a full time day residential or commuter student.
- 7) The student must exemplify the Lindenwood ideal of scholarship, fellowship, and service to the university.
- 8) The Easton award is for female nominees and the Sibley award is for male nominees.

Qualifications for candidates nominated for the Schoenhard American Heritage Award:

Outstanding achievement in the study of American values and character education as practiced through programs at the university.

Qualifications for candidates nominated for the Ryan Guffey International Student Award:

An international student who has shown exemplary academic achievement and made exceptional contributions to campus life at Lindenwood.

Assessment Tip of the Week: Closing the Loop: An Example from the School of Arts, Media, and Communications

Guest Contributor: Kate Herrell, Assistant Dean, School of AMC & Director of Academic Assessment

Opportunities to close the loop arise from multiple means of assessment. One of the many opportunities for assessment is the seven-year program review process. This process can help faculty and administrators get a better understanding of the state of a program from both the internal self-study and the report provided by the external reviewer. The internal self-study is an opportunity for the faculty to consider their program's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats after a careful review of both quantitative and qualitative data. The external reviewer then considers that self-study, visits the program, and makes observations and recommendations based on their broad experiences in the field. [Read more](#)

Assessment Summit May 15

Dear Colleagues:

Please mark your calendars for this year's **Assessment Summit** to be held on **May 15, 2019** (9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.) in the J. Scheidegger Center. The day will be

filled with lots of information, discussion, and input from participants regarding strategies for institutional improvement. Topics for the day will include a brief review of the 2017 and 2018 Summits, findings from recent institutional surveys, pertinent external research, Q2, and strategic enrollment planning, plus, of course a complimentary lunch and refreshments! Last year's Summit drew nearly 300 faculty and staff members and resulted in numerous positive actions being taken across the two campuses relative to the university's commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion. We are looking forward to an equally productive Summit on May 15!

You will receive a formal invitation and more detailed information at a later date. In the meantime, we hope you will hold the May 15 date and plan to attend the Summit. If you have any questions, please let me know. Thank you!

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February 1 – 28 days until Staff Award Nominations close

Faculty Award Nominations Accepted through March 20

Faculty,
Nominations for faculty awards are now being accepted through **Wednesday, March 20**. More information can be found on the Lindenwood Faculty Canvas shell and by clicking [here](#).

We have great faculty, let's recognize them!

Annie Alameda
STC Faculty Council Chair

Lindenwood Tax Clinic

The Lindenwood Tax Clinic is open and taking appointments! 2018 U.S. Federal and state tax returns for students, elderly, disabled, and low-income are prepared free of charge by income tax students and other volunteers. All returns will be reviewed by experienced accounting faculty before they are released.

If you wish to refer any eligible tax clients to us, please have them email TaxClinic@lindenwood.edu or call 636-627-2573.

Practice LSAT Session Feb. 13

Are your students interested in applying to law school? Joseph Cernik, professor of Political Science and Public Administration, will administer a practice Law School Entrance Test (LSAT) on Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 4:30 p.m. in Spellmann 4190.

While the exam usually requires 4-5 hours, this practice LSAT will consist of two sections out of the usual four and will take about 90 minutes to complete. Once the practice test is graded, your students can meet with Cernik in his office to go over the test results and address tips to improve scores.

Excused Absences

Please excuse the following students from class the morning of Thursday, Feb. 7 so they may participate in a field trip to the St. Charles Historical Society as part of Dr. Thies's Political Science 475 Capstone class. They will be leaving campus at 9:30 a.m. and returning by 12:30 p.m.

Blair, Sonja
Brown, Sierra
Dale, Alyssa
Gilmore, Daniel
Jones, Cameron
Kisner, Kyle
Kristin, Patrick
Liddle, Madison

Muhoza, Benjamin
Pappa, Erika
Reynolds, Anna
Rodriguez, Jazmin
Sanchez, Maria
Theunisz, Carol
Weissert, Mantha

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Waka Flocka Flame \$5 Tickets for Faculty and Staff



As part of the *One Roar Series*, Waka Flocka Flame will take the stage at the Scheidegger Center on Feb. 2, at 8 p.m.

All faculty and staff can now receive \$5 tickets at the box office with a valid university ID. Please call the box office with any questions at 636-949-4433.

Faculty Promotion in Rank

Faculty may now begin the promotion in rank application process. If you wish to apply for promotion in rank, please [see the PDF](#) that will walk you through the process. The deadline to check eligibility for promotion in rank is Feb. 8, 2019. Please contact your faculty chair, Annie Alameda (AAlameda@lindenwood.edu) or Jen Welsh (JWelsh@lindenwood.edu), if you have a question regarding your eligibility.

If you have questions while completing your application, please reach out to Josh Elliott (JElliott@lindenwood.edu) or Jen Sharpe (JSharpe@lindenwood.edu) in Human Resources.

Summer Camp/Conference Facility Requests

If you are interested in hosting a camp or a conference on campus this summer, please view the [Summer Facility Request Guidebook](#) and then submit a proposal to [Samantha Kennedy](#) no later than March 2, 2019. Proposals are handled on a first come, first serve basis so room availability is limited. Additional questions and internal pricing sheet requests can be directed to Samantha Kennedy.

Student Research Conference Submissions Now Accepted

It is that time of year again, everyone: The [2019 Student Research Conference submission portal](#) is open and is accepting faculty recommendations and student submissions.

Students who are working on or who have completed original research papers or creative projects can be nominated by a faculty member to participate in the Student Research Conference. Students can either display a poster or give a presentation of their work at the conference. [Read more](#)

Events and Deadlines

- Tuesdays and Thursdays: Power Hour training, 11 a.m. - noon, Fitness Center
- [Spring 2019 Group Exercise schedule](#), Evans Commons Rec Center
- Through March 10: [Pedro Linares Family Cartoneria Exhibition](#), Boyle Family Gallery
- Feb. 4: [Clifton Taubert](#), 2-3 p.m., Dunseth Auditorium in Harmon Hall
- Feb. 5: "10 Tips for Presenting at a Conference" workshop, 3:30 p.m., LARC 124
- Feb. 5: [Second Annual Adjunct Instructor Fair](#); [RSVP link](#)
- Feb. 6: Lindenwood Diversity Event, "The Inaugural Event: The Getting Real Series" [St. Charles RSVP 2 - 3:30 p.m.](#) or [St. Charles RSVP 4 - 5:30 p.m.](#) *If you are a non-exempt employee and you choose to attend the 4 - 5:30 p.m. session, please communicate with your supervisor regarding the potential impact on overtime because this is a paid training.*
- Feb. 7: Diversity Dialogue: "Should Student Athletes Get Paid?" 3:30 p.m., LARC Theatre
- Feb. 7: Faculty Appreciation Night at Women's Basketball Game, 5:30 p.m.
- Feb. 7: [Winter Dance Concert](#), 7:30 p.m., Emerson Black Box Theater
- Feb. 12: Faculty Reads Series: Dr. Chris Scribner and Dr. Colleen Biri, 2:30 p.m., LARC Theater
- Feb. 21-23: [Our Town](#), 7:30 p.m., Lindenwood Theater

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