By any measure the last academic year has been the most challenging in recent memory. Despite the disruption, I am pleased to present this Summer 2021 Newsletter for the School of Humanities and Social Sciences at The Citadel and share the good news that this School and this College has persisted through the pandemic and emerged stronger, more experienced, and even more committed to the mission to train leaders who are both principled and resilient.

When I visited The Citadel to interview for the Dean’s role last year, the United States had not yet entered lockdown, masks were not widely worn, and many still doubted that the novel corona virus was a problem requiring serious attention. We’ve all experienced so much loss since then that it is difficult to even take stock. Indeed, despite our care and precautions, several of our students, faculty, and staff contracted COVID-19. All fared well enough and have since recovered. In higher education, the pandemic cost us our regular interactions with cadets, students, colleagues, alumni, and friends. We lost the warm feeling of the first day of school, the Friday parades, awards ceremonies, weekend furloughs, sporting events, receptions, dinners, and more. Only possible in the smallest of groups in the largest of rooms with masks and six feet of spacing or via Zoom, the personal connections which made work pleasurable and effective proved a heavy casualty in the war against the virus. Indeed, the pandemic has made increasingly clear just how our lives and our fortunes are dependent upon our sacred honor. We were asked to sacrifice our comfort and routines for the greater good, and we did our duty.
The past year has strengthened my belief that the path to principled leadership goes through the humanities and social sciences. Although science has provided a vaccine, our art, literature, music, history, and culture provided context, comfort, and peace to a sick world. Our disciplines have helped us understand how humanity survived and thrived in the past despite the worst the planet could throw at us. The humanities and social sciences teach us how to live in a multicultural and interconnected society, how to appreciate our differences, how to understand each other’s languages, how to care for our fellow man and woman, how to learn from our past, how to bring justice, and how to build a better world one citizen at a time. Despite the pandemic, we pressed forward to advance our mission.

The newsletter below details the excellent work done by our faculty, students, and staff in the pandemic year and evidences the value our disciplines bring and their resilience in the face of threats. As you read through these materials and learn more about the extraordinary work being done in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, please take care to remember that although this year has been fraught with so many challenges, we have persevered. Indeed, we have survived to thrive in the decades to come as a result of these efforts and of your contributions and support.

And, we did all this while moving out of our building. All those SHSS faculty located in Capers Hall moved out entirely in May and relocated to the Mims housing units adjacent to the new Bastin Hall. With the exception of the Intelligence and Security Studies Department, all SHSS faculty and staff will be in Mims until the new building is complete. Capers was turned over to the contractors on June 1 and demolition of that 70-year-old structure has begun. We expect the new building to be complete by 2023. With your support, we will make sure that the School of Humanities and Social Sciences continues to demonstrate excellent and relevance over the next seven decades just as we have in this building since 1951. I know that many of you have fond and not-so-fond memories of Capers, and I would ask you now only to remember, as we begin a new era with the demolition of Capers and the construction of something new, that this institution is fully prepared to meet any challenge the future has to offer and this building is the physical confirmation of that persistence.

I hope this newsletter finds you well and safe and the same for your family and friends. I look forward to seeing all of you back on campus this fall for homecoming and beyond when we expect to return to campus as a family and to work to fulfill this college’s powerful and necessary mission of training the next generation of principled leaders.

Brian Madison Jones, Ph.D.
Dean
Joseph P. Riley, Jr. Award

Ashley Towers is the 2021 recipient of the Joseph P. Riley, Jr. Award, which is presented annually to the graduating senior in the School of Humanities & Social Sciences who best represents the commitment to academic excellence, the breadth of intellectual interests, and the dedication to public service exemplified by the life and career of Joseph P. Riley, Jr., Citadel Class of 1964, State Legislator (1968-1974), Mayor of Charleston (1975-2016), and Citadel Professor of American Government & Public Policy (2016-present).

Leidos Courage Award

Cadet Ian J. Stephan is the 2021 recipient of the Leidos Courage Award, which is presented to an upperclassman in the college’s Intelligence and Security Studies department who demonstrates an act of courage, exhibits The Citadel’s core values, embodies the values and ethical character of a principled leader, exemplifies service before self in actions and deeds, and serves as a role model in his or her academic and personal endeavors. Stephan is pictured with Tom Dove, ‘75, Deputy President of the Defense Group at Leidos.

Francis Marion Cup

Cadet Nicholas Fricchione is the 2021 recipient of the Francis Marion Cup, which is presented to a graduating senior cadet who has done exemplary academic work in American history courses. The Rebecca Matte Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution sponsors the award. Fricchione is pictured with SHSS Dean Brian Madison Jones.
**Drs. Leslie Hill** and **Kristen Hefner** are working with the Tri-County Human Trafficking Task Force to help combat human trafficking in the Lowcountry. Drs. Hill and Hefner are co-chairs of the task force’s Research Subcommittee. The task force received a three-year grant through the Office for Victims of Crime to identify and provide comprehensive services to human trafficking victims in the tri-county area. As a part of the grant, Drs. Hill and Hefner are conducting research exploring 1) the nature and prevalence of human trafficking in the tri-county area; 2) how well law enforcement understands human trafficking laws and identifies victims; and 3) victims’ perceptions of victimization and the extent to which they access their rights.

**Dr. Jordana Navarro** and **Ashley Towers** (Criminal Justice, Intelligence & Security Studies) were recently selected as the American Society of Criminology’s Division of Victimology’s October 2020 spotlight. They were selected for that spotlight in recognition of their efforts to map online chatter about sex work occurring at truck stops across the country to ultimately improve outreach to those areas. This work was funded by The Citadel’s 2020 SURE program, and the research team is currently preparing the results for dissemination via a peer-reviewed publication. Dr. Navarro and Ms. Towers are also continuing their research collaboration with Charleston County Sheriff’s Office, which also includes **Phillip A. Quinn** (Political Science, Intelligence & Security Studies). In this most recent project, the research team will be surveying cybercrime units across various law enforcement agencies. Finally, Dr. Navarro continues her work on ensuring research is publicly accessible to various audiences. Thus, in February, she will be participating in a Research Roundtable, hosted by The Citadel’s Human Resources Department, on the role of the social sciences in cybercrime prevention and intervention along with Dr. Shankar Banik (Computer Science) and Dr. Larry Valero (Intelligence and Security Studies). Then, in March, she will be moderating a panel about creating an inclusive cyberspace for women and girls in the virtual United Nations’ Commission on the Status of Women meeting.

**Dr. Daren Fisher** was elected as the Secretary Treasurer of the American Society of Criminology’s Division on Terrorism and Bias Crimes. In addition to organizing events, awards, and financial statements for the Division on Terrorism and Bias Crimes, Dr. Fisher with other members of the Executive Committee have begun discussions to create the first Terrorism and Bias Crimes focused journal within the field of Criminology.

From top to bottom: Knob promotion day; new Criminal Justice Department Head, Dr. Matthew Zommer; and Veteran student Ashley Towers, recipient of the Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Graduate Fellowship.
Members of the English, Fine Arts, and Communications department had a busy summer and fall semester this year. Dr. Alyson Eggleston took part in late June in the American Society of Engineering Educators’ virtual conference, presenting two papers at the meeting. She then participated in July in the MIT Communications Lab’s virtual summer institute, a smaller, invitation-only online version of the Lab’s annual Summer Institute workshop held in Cambridge, MA. In August, Dr. Eggleston became a Senior Faculty Fellow in Residence for The Citadel’s Center for Excellence and Innovation in Teaching, Learning, and Distance Education, and she capped off her summer winning a $1,000 grant from the Council for Programs in Technical and Scientific Communication to further her research project titled “Institutional Partnerships: Best practices for building a multidisciplinary technical communication curriculum.”

In fall 2020, Dr. Eggleston became Vice President of the Charleston chapter of the Scientific Research Honor Society of Sigma Xi. Professor Eggleston’s work in the field of Linguistics brought her to the attention of the Honor Society, and her good work with the group led them to appoint her to the vice-presidential position. Three of her co-authored manuscripts were accepted for publication in fall 2020: "Survey and Best Practice Identification for Course Development and Integration of Technical Communications for Engineers (Technology Interface International Journal); "Reference frames in language and cognition: Cross-population mismatches," Linguistics Vanguard; "Student Success Impacts in Communication and Professional Networking Contexts," (Journal of Higher Education Theory and Practice).

Grant Goodrich, the department’s long-time professor of philosophy, left the department in December 2020, in order to take on a new and highly prestigious role as Director of Ethics at the Medical University of South Carolina.

Department Head Dr. Scott Lucas joined the editorial board of the international journal Reformation this year. He also won a contract from Boydell and Brewer press for a new, critical edition of William Baldwin’s sixteenth-century satirical masterpiece Beware the Cat, a work some have called the earliest English novel. He will publish his edition of Beware the Cat, paired with other of Baldwin’s shorter writings, in 2023. Lucas also presented a paper at the Southeastern Renaissance Society Conference, and he was also asked to speak at a plenary session of that conference about his recent work on sixteenth-century English poetry and prose.

From top to bottom: C3; students in Dr. Alyson Eggleston’s Technical Writing & Communication class; and Cadet Erich McPhail (center) in Biloxi Blues at the South of Broadway Theatre Company.
Dr. James Hutchisson was interviewed in October as the featured guest of the public-radio program ROI: Relevant or Irrelevant. The subject was his acclaimed biography Ernest Hemingway: A New Life. After over 30 years at the Citadel, Dr. Hutchisson retired in December 2020. He will remain in the Charleston area for his retirement, and he plans to use his life after teaching to write books, travel, and serve the many charitable organizations to which he belongs.

Dr. Licia Hendriks became the department’s new Director of Graduate Studies over the summer of 2020, replacing James Hutchisson, who served over a decade in that role. Dr. Hendriks is using her new position to institute extensive reforms in our department’s joint master’s program in English shared with the College of Charleston. Professor Hendriks was also appointed this year to the History and Culture Subcommittee for the City of Charleston’s Special Commission on Equity, Inclusion, and Racial Conciliation. The subcommittee will give Professor Hendriks a direct hand in reimagining Charleston’s memorialization landscape and how it is presented to both residents and visitors.

Dr. Sean Heuston was selected by the Modern Language Association, the largest association of teachers and scholars of literature, to edit the volume Approaches to Teaching the Poetry of Robert Frost. As an editor of a volume in this prestigious and long-lived book series, Dr. Heuston joins Lauren Rule Maxwell, who was selected in spring 2020 to edit Approaches to Teaching the Works of Margaret Atwood.

Dr. Tom Horan gave an online talk in November at a virtual forum sponsored by Cappadocia University of Turkey. His subject was the historical and literary background of dystopian fiction. Cappadocia University advertised the talk internationally, and its virtual format allowed Dr. Horan to enjoy quite literally a world-wide audience for his presentation. Dr. Horan also presented this autumn the paper “The Matriarchal Utopian Impulse in Wauhgeshig Rice’s Moon of the Crusted Snow” at SMLA, the South Atlantic Modern Language Association Conference.

Dr. Michael Livingston became Secretary General of the United States Commission for Military History, a scholarly organization that is part of the United Nations’ UNESCO agency for education, science, and culture. Dr. Livingston will oversee the promotion of military history throughout the United States in his new office. Unsurprisingly, Dr. Livingston’s work in the field of military history remains strong; in the summer, he and Professor Kelly DeVries of Loyola University published the article “La batalla en el puente: Cuando Haroldo Hardrada se enfrentó a Haroldo Godwinson,” in the journal Desperta Ferro Antigua y Medieval. It was his first journal article in a language other than English. Professor Livingston also published two military-history articles in popular magazines, and he was interviewed in September about his work on the famous tenth-century Battle of Brunanburh on ROI: Relevant or Irrelevant, the same public-radio program on which James Hutchisson spoke. Both a scholar and author of fantasy literature, Dr. Livingston took part in a panel discussion of Citadel graduate Robert Jordan’s Wheel of Time series at Dragon*Con (the largest multi-media convention focusing on fantasy and science fiction), and he released his most recent fantasy novel, Seaborn, published by Audible Books.

Dr. Katja Pilhuj presented the paper “Cross-Dressing Across Borders: Early Modern English Perceptions of Eastern European Gender and Agency in Fletcher’s The Loyal Subject and Crowne’s Juliana, the Princess of Poland” at SMLA 2020. It is part of her ongoing work on conceptions of Eastern Europe and its people in early modern English literature.
In the fall of 2020, the Department of History welcomed Dr. Jacob Hagstrom. Dr. Hagstrom graduated from the United States Military Academy West Point and served in the Army for five years before going on to earn a Ph.D. in History from Indiana University. Hagstrom teaches Leadership in Military History and History of the U.S. Military as a member of The Citadel history faculty. His research focuses on the history of asymmetric wars, battles in which the means and meanings of conflict are radically different for opposing forces. Hagstrom is also interested in transnational military exchange.

In 2020, Dr. Katherine Grenier and Dr. Amanda Mushal published a co-edited collection of essays, *Cultures of Memory in the Nineteenth Century: Consuming Commemoration* with Palgrave Macmillan. Growing out of a conference co-sponsored by the School of Humanities and Social Sciences in 2017, this collection brings together scholars of history, literature, art history, and musicology to examine distinctive nineteenth-century uses of memory in empire-building and constructions of national identity, cultures of sentiment and mourning practices, and discourses of race and power. A discussion of the collection with Dr. Grenier and Dr. Mushal was featured on the New Books Network podcast in October: https://newbooksnetwork.com/k-grenier-and-a-mushal-cultures-of-memory-in-the-nineteenth-century-consuming-commemoration-palgrave-macmillan-2020/.


As part of the Summer 2020 S.U.R.E. program and the Citadel’s Universities Studying Slavery project, Cadet Taylor Diggs and Dr. Felice Knight researched the life and times of Arthur Mitchell, one of The Citadel’s earliest known black employees. Mitchell served as the fifer for the corps of cadets during the antebellum and post-reconstruction periods.

On June 18, Dr. Felice Knight co-presented a virtual lecture entitled “Garnering Local Media Coverage of TRHT Work,” with J. Goosby Smith, Director The Citadel’s TRHT Center and Assistant Provost of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, and Tessa Updike, Archivist and Assistant Professor of Archives and Digital Scholarship at The Citadel. On July 28, Dr. Knight was a panelist for “How did we get here: Monuments, Memory, and Memorials” as part of the Wofford College Virtual Anti-Racism Teach-In. And on September 12, Dr. Knight was the keynote speaker at the South Carolina State Museum’s Virtual Film Screening of *I am Somebody*, directed by Madeline Anderson.

From top to bottom: Dr. Jacob Hagstrom, Assistant Professor in History; Dr. Grenier and Dr. Mushal’s *Cultures of Memory in the Nineteenth Century: Consuming Commemoration*; and Cadet Will Birkholz’s homemade Roman shield created as part of an unessay assignment in the Honors Rome & its Citizens course taught by Dr. Melanie Maddox.
Last July, the Citadel welcomed Dr. Larry Valero as the Department Head of the Intelligence & Security Studies program. Valero’s research and teaching interests focus on U.S. intelligence and national security, strategy and modern warfare. He holds a Ph.D. in International History from University of Cambridge, an M.A. in War Studies from King’s College London and a B.A. in Political Science from UCLA.

In addition, Valero serves as an American Council on Education faculty evaluator for military programs in the field of intelligence studies. He was the president for the Association for Intelligence Education from 2014 – 2019. Additionally, Valero was Scholar in Residence at the National Security Agency, Ft. Meade, Maryland and served on the faculty of the Department of International Security and Military Studies at the U.S. Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama. He was honored with the 2011 Outstanding Instructor Award by the International Association for Intelligence Education.

The Citadel’s BA in Intelligence & Security Studies was recently rated within the top ten best Intelligence Analysis Bachelor’s Degree Programs in America by Security Degree Hub.

On Jan. 19, Dr. Melissa Graves presented her book *Nixon’s FBI: Hoover, Watergate, and a Bureau in Crisis* before the North American Society for Intelligence Historians.

Criminal Justice and Intelligence & Security Studies double major Ashley Towers is among a group of 45 individuals recently awarded a Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Graduate Fellowship through a highly competitive, nationwide process. The program prepares outstanding young people for careers in the Foreign Service of the U.S. Department of State in which they can help formulate, represent and implement U.S. foreign policy.

In the Fall of 2020, The Citadel’s Intelligence and Security Studies Department started an inaugural Emerging Topics Lecture Series. This three-part panel brought together Citadel cadets, students and the Lowcountry community at-large awareness on key national security issues by Citadel faculty members, alongside international experts. Topics included foreign adversarial election interference, domestic terrorism, violent extremism, and rehabilitation, and emerging topics in Africa.
German Club and Delta Phi Alpha, German Honor Society

The German Honor Society, Delta Phi Alpha, Kappa Mu chapter welcomed new officers: President Lillian Layden, Vice President Matthew Horvath, Secretary Christian Najjar and Treasurer Nicole Spohn.

German Club voted in new officers: Club-Kanzler Charles Weyer, Vize-Kanzlerin Nicole Spohn, Geschäftsführer Leo Ernesto Bachir Eckhardt and Schatzmeisterin Conchetta Bohm. Not to be deterred by Covid-19 conditions, German Club officers have designed a new patch and are working on plans for a service ribbon.

New German Faculty

This fall The Citadel German program welcomed a new adjunct instructor, Ruth Damwerth, M.A. German studies, Romance studies and Modern and Contemporary History at Universität Regensburg, Germany, and Universidad de Granada, Spain. She combines her love for and interest in languages and history by writing books based on life stories and runs her own publishing company specializing in biographies (biografieverlag.de/en). She also passes that same love for the German language on to her students. Before moving to Charleston (and escaping German weather) Ruth Damwerth has taught German as a Second Language on behalf of the German Federal Agency for Migrants and Refugees and at the Berlin outpost of the Heinrich-Heine-Universität, Düsseldorf.

Events and Faculty Activities

In December, Dr. Skow published “Women as Criminals and Crimes against Women in Late-Medieval German Romances,” in volume 70 of the Bonner Krimi Archiv’s Der Krimi-Tipp Sekundärliteratur (pp. 47-53).

http://www.bokas.de/krimitipsiebzig.html

"From Bauhaus to Makerspace: Meaning Design and Computer Aided Design in Introductory German," Dr. Emm’s co-authored article with Daniel Library’s Technology Librarian, Daniel Hawkins, appeared in November in volume 53 of Die Unterrichtspraxis/Teaching German (pp. 138-150.)
https://doi.org/10.1111/tger.12133

Dr. Alison T. Smith presented the paper “Sisters on the Camino: Feminism and La Festa do Queixo” at the Sacred Journeys Online Global Conference hosted by IUPUI (Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis), June 29 to July 3, 2020. She also published the essay “Family Matters” in La Concha: Magazine of the American Pilgrims on the Camino, December 2020.

Dr. Tiffany Yun-Chu Tsai published an article, “Cannibal Labyrinth: Narrative, Intertextuality, and Politics of Cannibalism in Mo Yan’s The Republic of Wine,” in Modern Chinese Literature and Culture. She also published a co-authored article, “Sinicizing Islam: Translating the Gulistan of Sa’di in Modern China,” in International Journal of Islam in Asia with Dr. Alexander Jabbari (University of Oklahoma). In 2020, Dr. Tsai gave two invited talks: “Cannibalism as Pathology: China’s Modernity in Crisis” at Duke University and “Cannibal Modernity: China’s Century-long Quest for Modernization” at Virginia Military Institute.

From top to bottom: new adjunct instructor, Ruth Damwerth; Cadet Lillian Layden, German double major and winner of a Women in Defense Palmetto Chapter 2020 Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Scholarship; and Cadet Micah Cohen, Modern Languages major and newest member of the Board of Student Advisors for Sigma Delta Pi, the National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society.
The Political Science Department’s Beta Iota Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha won one of five Best Chapter awards for chapters in schools with undergraduate enrollment under 5,000 students. Pi Sigma Alpha is the national political science honor society, which is overseen by the American Political Science Association.

The Department of Political Science is pleased to announce and welcome Dr. William M. Patterson as the new Gov. John C. West Chair of International Politics and American Government.

Dr. Patterson brings over 25 years of experience in international development and humanitarian assistance. He was a career diplomat with the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and was posted in Iraq, Egypt, Pakistan, Nepal, Zimbabwe, El Salvador, and Senegal. With USAID his portfolio included economic growth, democracy and governance, conflict mitigation, and environment projects. He brings this world experience to the classroom where it is applied to courses in international politics. Dr. Patterson holds a Ph.D. in Development Sociology from Cornell University, an M.S. in Rural Sociology and a B.A. in Sociology from The Ohio State University.

Last fall, students in Dr. Patterson’s PSCI 433 Global Issues course were able to take advantage of several guest speakers who are experts in their fields. The course covered such global issues as climate change, global pandemics, migration, population pressures, and inequality. Speakers included:

Jaud Monia-Hassan and Mona Yacoubian, from the US Institute of Peace in Washington, DC, who spoke about their research on how Covid-19 has led to increases in child marriage in Syrian refugee camps.

Lucy Kurtzer-Ellenbogen, Director of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict Program, US Institute of Peace who helped the class understand the challenges of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

The highlight of the semester was a presentation by Ambassador Douglas Silliman, former US Ambassador to Iraq and to Kuwait who is currently the president of the Arab Gulf States Institute in Washington. He spoke to the class about US relations with Saudi Arabia and other Gulf States.

On September 17, The Political Science Department hosted a Constitution Day address by Dr. David Cory, Professor of Political Philosophy at Baylor University

**Historical Dictionary of Multinational Peacekeeping**

**Professor Terry Mays** from the Political Science Department has recently published a new book titled "Historical Dictionary of Multinational Peacekeeping". This is the only continuously updated book of collective peacekeeping operations information with the first edition going back to the end of the Cold War. The featured focus of this edition is peacekeeping reform over the past ten years.

**Student Achievements**

The highest position in The South Carolina Corps of Cadets (SCCC) is regimental commander, and this year it is Cadet Col. Nicholas “Nick” Piacentini (left in picture). He is a Political Science major who attends The Citadel on a Navy ROTC scholarship and is expected to earn a commission to become a naval officer upon graduating.

Despite the limitations imposed by Covid-19, four cadets completed political science internships during Summer and Fall 2020. Each cadet completed the program learning more about political and/or legal affairs as well as about himself. Each also learned more about what "service learning" really means in these fields. In Summer 2020, Cadet Joseph Murphy interned with North Carolina State Senator Don Davis, a former US Air Force Captain. Murphy performed many tasks related to office support and constituent services. This was even more important due to the economic impact on people from Covid-19. Murphy wrote, "The main responsibility I had to learn and understand fairly quickly this summer was assisting constituents with their Department of Employment Security (DES) claims for unemployment or pandemic relief. For me this experience was more rewarding than any other community service project I completed in the past. The task made an impact on people’s lives. Without the unemployment pay, many of these people would be falling behind on bills and going deep or deeper into debt and

From top to bottom: Lucy Kurtzer-Ellenbogen, US Institute of Peace; Douglas Silliman, former US Ambassador to Iraq and Kuwait; David Cory, Baylor University; and Regimental Commander Nick Piacentini and Regimental Public Affairs NCO Samantha Walton.
possibly even going without meals. This was the most meaningful task of the internship because it made me feel like I was actually helping people.”

In Fall 2020, Cadet John Acker interned with South Carolina State Representative Bill Herbkersman. Acker assisted with many re-election campaign duties but also helped organize post-tornado relief efforts with Representative Herbkersman. Acker informed us of the following about the latter project, "It was a lot of work coordinating with multiple offices at the local level all the way up to FEMA officials. My first move was to contact the political and religious leaders in the Bluffton Community, to get the wheels of the donation wagon moving very fast. We established drop sites and identified people to move the supplies. I also called the local Sheriff’s office because I knew the Emergency Operations Center and its Commander would be ready to tell us what they needed. South Carolina’s Emergency Management Division is an immaculate system. They are capable of managing hurricanes, COVID, tornadoes, and everything in between. They had personnel focused on the crisis and, it was great to see everyone working on the same mission. This task was not only profound in my internship but it was also profound in my life.”

Cadet Tyler Mitchell completed an internship with the Jaime Harrison US Senate election campaign here in South Carolina during Fall semester. He performed various tasks associated with organizing and overseeing events during the election campaign. Perhaps the most profound experience during his internship was witnessing democracy in action. Mitchell noted, "On Halloween, I had the opportunity to work with "Secure The Ballot" at the North Charleston Coliseum for the "March To The Polls" rally. We were investing in young people, especially young people of color, by organizing in high schools, colleges, universities, and rural communities to empower a new generation of voters. We were able to have a very friendly atmosphere with a lot of public servants and local candidates speaking while there were long lines of citizens waiting to cast their ballots in the last day of early voting. I truly believe that I was looking at the best of our democracy and what this country could be if we all just work together for the greater good of our society.”

The third student to complete a political science internship in Fall 2020 was Cadet Mitchell Gibbons who worked with the Gaston, Marion, and Stubbs law firm in Chester, South Carolina. Gibbons observed the legal teams in action, attended court sessions, and assisted with cases. He wrote, "The lawyers helped me to understand things I would be seeing in law school. Some of the issues we talked about were negligence, personal injury, probate court, family court, and billing. The most important and meaningful task I did at the office was just listening and soaking in all I could learn about the legal field. They taught me real life issues and problems faced by lawyers. Lawyers are busy but I learned you need to take time out of your schedule every day to ensure you are helping people.”
In the fall of 2020, the Department of Psychology welcomed two new faculty members. Dr. Laura Eddy joins The Citadel from University of North Carolina Greensboro, where she completed her postdoctoral fellowship with the ADHD Clinic. She earned a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology with a specialization in Child and Adolescent Psychology from Virginia Commonwealth University in 2018. Eddy attended Appalachian State University to earn an M.A. in Clinical Psychology and graduated magna cum laude from University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, with a B.A. in Classics. Dr. Jillian Dawes holds a Ph.D. and M.S. in Educational Psychology from Oklahoma State University. She earned a B.A. in Psychology from Northeastern State University in Oklahoma. Most recently, Dawes served on the faculty in the School of Psychology at Stephen F. Austin State University. Her specialties include applied behavior analysis and psychometrics. Dawes is a licensed specialist in school psychology, a nationally certified school psychologist, and a board certified behavior analyst.

This past November, Dr. Alexandra Macdonald, Associate Professor in the Department of Psychology, moderated a panel discussion titled “Bridging Science and Practice to Reach Trauma Survivors and Their Families: Lessons Learned in Adapting CBCT for PTSD.” This panel was conducted virtually as part of the annual meeting of the International Society of Traumatic Stress Studies. Several international experts in the treatment of posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) discussed the clinical adaptations of Cognitive behavioral conjoint therapy for PTSD (CBCT for PTSD; Monson & Fredman, 2012). This is an evidence-based intervention that recognizes the value of treating PTSD in an interpersonal context, and aims to maximize the impact of a single intervention to simultaneously reduce PTSD symptoms as well as improve the intimate partner relationships and partners’ mental health. Despite the virtual nature of a 5pm, Saturday evening presentation, our “Zoom Room” was packed and there was a great discussion about effective methods for translating research findings into real-world therapy, and practical suggestions for ways to adapt aspects of traditional therapy to help overcome barriers to receiving effective treatments for PTSD.

Dr. Parrish published a paper in the journal of Cognitive Development with Citadel alumni, Alexandria Guild (c/o 2018). They investigated the developmental progression of metacognition (the ability to monitor one's knowledge states and abilities) in preschoolers. This research is grant funded by the NSF and geared towards exploring metacognition in children and other primate species, including great apes and monkeys.

In late 2020, Dr. Steve Nida published “Bystander Apathy,” in Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Psychology through Oxford University Press.
From top to bottom: Recent Psych grad and veteran student, Jesse Brooks, plays a critical role in fostering social interaction and community-building for veterans on campus through the Veteran Student Success Center.

Cadet Dashawn Costley was awarded The Citadel Alumni Association Scholarship for Fall 2020 and Spring 2021.

Psychology Major, Cadet Haley Dettenmayer, participated in developmental research for SURE 2020 and was awarded the Harry F. Dawley, Jr. Scholarship for Leadership and Service.

Cadet Carleton Bailiff III earned a U.S. Department of State Virtual Student Federal Internship.

And Cadet Thomas Gomes is finishing his college career with a distinction earned by few. The Citadel Honors Program cadet is studying at the University of Calgary in Alberta, Canada, during the spring semester through a Fulbright Canada Killam Scholarship. It is provided by the Foundation for Educational Exchange Between Canada and the United States of America.
In September 2021 the Charleston Oral History Program presented a digital timeline: "A Chronology of Latinx History in Charleston."

Published through the Lowcountry Digital Library at the College of Charleston, the chronology continues the Charleston Oral History Program at The Citadel’s work to document local Latinx history and culture. "Las Voces," published in 2017, is a digital history exhibit that draws from forty interviews with various Charleston’s Latinx community members, and "Aqui Estamos," is a National Endowment for the Humanities-sponsored effort to establish the first Latinx-related archival collections in the region.

The chronology spotlights the deep roots and experiences of Charleston’s Latinx communities. These are some highlights:

- The chronology helps to situate immigrant labor at the center of modern Charleston history, noting that Latinx immigrants have generated great wealth for agribusiness and helped construct the region’s modern infrastructure.
- It shows a dynamic Latinx presence moving through the area and developing relationships with established local communities since the fifties. As soon as immigrants arrived in significant numbers and there were efforts to assert their rights as human beings, African American civil rights activists and members of white faith groups provided critical support to them.
- Highlights the efforts of a variety of groups to celebrate Latinx cultures since the seventies.
- Indicates the response of business and public services to target the growing Latinx community at the beginning of the 21st Century.
- Hints at the emergence of immigrant rights organizations and efforts to gain political representation.

We hope that the timeline will be a useful tool for scholars, activists, educators, and policymakers that will prompt more questions, research, and action.
New Advisory Board Members

The Citadel School of Humanities & Social Sciences would like to give a hearty welcome to two new SHSS Advisory Board members. They are a distinguished group that will bring a unique perspective to our organization. From top to bottom, they are Sandrine Ennis and Marcella F. Thompson.

Sandrine Ennis is Founder and CEO of Talentstream recruiting company and Sherpa recruiting software company. At Talentstream Sandrine founded and grew a leading boutique recruitment firm specializing in revenue-generating talent. They partner with the world’s most innovative companies to build their technology, sales, marketing and management teams. She has lead Talentstream to successfully empower the top emerging technology companies with the talent necessary to realize their growth potential. At Sherpa Sandrine founded and developed an employee engagement, diversity driven, referral and retention software platform that delivers more qualified and diverse referral candidates than internal programs.

Sandrine is currently working to establish a family foundation focused on initiatives around education to narrow disparities amongst women and minority groups in science and emerging ideas in orphan disease treatment in biotech. She graduated from Brandeis University in 1991 with a BA in Economics. She has 4 grown children and currently splits her time between Washington DC and San Francisco.

Ms. Thompson entered the United States Air Force in 1985 after graduating from North Texas State University, Denton, Texas and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant through the Reserve Officer Training Corps program. She retired from the Pentagon as a Colonel in 2013.

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Under the President Obama Administration, she was a military program liaison to the White House and its “Joining Forces” initiative, planning events for Mrs. Michelle Obama and Dr. Jill Biden at U.S. military bases nationwide, raising public awareness of challenges faced by military families. Her efforts also included building a nationwide program collaborating with the NFL, Best Buy, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce “Hiring Heroes” Program and other major corporations to provide support to the military.

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