

New Faculty Appointments 2022-2023

Victoria Aquilone

Victoria (Tori) Aquilone is a full-time faculty member teaching English in the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Tori received a degree in secondary social studies education and Biblical Studies from Cairn, as well as a minor in English. She completed her MA in Liberal Studies at Villanova University with certificates in Great Books and Peace and Justice studies. Tori is currently a PhD candidate at the University of Delaware working on her dissertation, which examines plants in contemporary American literature, and she will defend it in March of 2023. She has spent most of her career teaching English composition and studying human relationships to the natural environment. Tori is a member at Seven Mile Road Church in Northeast Philadelphia and lives in Langhorne with her husband, Matt. In her free time she likes to cook up new recipes, listen to podcasts, and walk in Tyler State Park.

Elizabeth Evangelous

Liz is a full-time faculty member teaching elementary education courses in the School of Education. She received a BS in Elementary Education and BS in Bible at Cairn University and then went on to receive an MEd in Literacy Studies from Arcadia University. Liz has spent most of her professional career teaching in Christian, independent, and public school settings. She taught first grade at Calvary Christian Academy in Philadelphia, second grade at The Haverford School for boys, and was an elementary reading specialist in the Haverford School District. She most recently founded Raising Readers LLC, equipping families to support their child(ren)'s reading development by providing literacy coaching for parents and one-on-one student reading support. Liz is actively involved in her local church, Ardsley Bible Chapel, where she has served in children's, women's and outreach ministries. She enjoys spending time with her husband and their two young children and can be found reading books with her kids, taking walks around their Ambler neighborhood, and traveling to Massachusetts to visit family.

Steve Haney

Steve is a full-time faculty member teaching marketing and other courses in the School of Business. Steve received his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science at Temple University and continued his education at Eastern University earning his Master's in Business Administration. Steve has 30 years of marketing experience, including starting and managing marketing departments of Fortune 100 companies at Prudential and Cigna, and has his own marketing company. Steve's teaching experience includes being a long-time adjunct faculty member at Penn State University, teaching at Eastern University, and as a full-time instructor at Dordt University. Steve and his wife Marie are currently worshipping at Living Hope in Dublin, PA, and are active volunteers and recently started a non-profit organization called "Hope Learning Center," serving young adults ages 16 to 29 on the autism spectrum. Through group meetings, social events, coaching, and classes, they help to encourage growth in social and life skills while cultivating community, connection, and belonging. As a result, these young adults are better equipped to successfully transition into their next chapter of life and experience greater independence and fulfillment. During his free time, Steve enjoys working on their small farm caring for their alpacas, and has enjoyed different seasons of camping.

Helen Gelinas

Helen is a full-time faculty member of the Humanities Department in the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences. She holds an M.A. in English and American Studies from the University of Tübingen, Germany, and a B. Music from the Hartt School, University of Hartford. She taught in both public and Christian Schools in Connecticut before following the call with her husband to work and serve the Lord overseas. During her years in Germany, in addition to her studies and bringing up four children, Helen taught English Literature at Leibniz Kolleg, and at the University of Tübingen. She published on Jonathan Edwards and Cotton Mather, spoke at conferences in the U.S. and Germany, and was chosen by the Ministry of Culture to develop a pilot program for teachers of English in Baden-Württemberg public schools. She was active in her church through numerous outreaches, and with her husband led a church cell group in their home. She was chosen by the University of Tübingen to participate in the international effort to publish Cotton Mather's "Biblia Americana," the earliest Bible commentary written in America. Subsequently, she was awarded a Fellowship at Yale Divinity School, and is finishing her doctorate in American Literature at the University of Heidelberg. She is deeply interested in the role of Christianity in English and American literature and history, and it is her great passion to reach the hearts as well as the minds of her students as she shares her research and interests with them. Since moving to Pennsylvania, Helen has been active in Women's Ministry at Riverstone Church. She currently serves as Director of Transcription for New England's Hidden Histories in Boston, a project devoted to preserving American Christian history through transcribing and publishing early church records.

Chris Lloyd

Chris Lloyd is a full-time Criminal Justice faculty member in the School of Liberal Arts & Sciences. He received a BS in Criminal Justice from West Chester University, an MS in Criminal Justice Administration and an MS in Human Resource Development, both from Villanova University. Most recently, he completed the FBI Citizen's Academy in the Spring of 2022. Chris spent nearly 29 years working in Higher Ed Public Safety; 10 years with Villanova University's Dept. of Public Safety where he served as Associate Director, 6 years as Director of Security & Safety with Bucks County Community College's Office of Security & Safety, and 13 years as Director of Cairn's Office of Safety & Security. He also has his own security-consulting ministry serving faith-based organizations. Chris' teaching experience includes adjunct CRJ professor at Cairn University for 5 years and an adjunct professor for 2 years at the University of Valley Forge. In addition, he is a certified instructor in crime prevention, CPR/AED/First Aid, and Site Protection through Observational Techniques. He has also served as the President of the Northeast Colleges and Universities Security Association (NECUSA) and the Campus Security Directors Association of the Delaware Valley (CSDADV). Chris attends Calvary Chapel of Philadelphia where he has served as a Jr. High leader, Men's Ministry leader, and volunteer and P/T staff security. Chris enjoys spending his free time with his wife, four children, son and daughter in law, and serving the Lord in whatever way He leads.

Kate Mehmel

Kate Mehmel is a Cairn graduate who returned to the University after teaching high school math for 13 years and is now moving from a part-time to a full-time position. She (slowly) worked on a MA in Mathematics from Villanova while teaching, coaching, running youth group, and counseling at summer camp. She loves kids and works in children's ministry at her church. She also loves to camp, hike, bike, and generally to be outside, though inside with a book and a cup of coffee is also lovely. She spends

most of her time with her daughter Eliana, who is (usually) a delight and in whom she is trying to instill a love of the outdoors, books, and mathematics (of course).

Bryan Murawski

Bryan Murawski is an Associate Professor for the school of Divinity at Cairn University. He previously served as a pastor for 15 years in NJ and MI and has been teaching at Cairn University since 2012. He frequently speaks at camps and retreats and specializes in Old Testament with a focus on preaching/teaching and intertextuality; Church Ministry with a focus on youth and senior pastoral ministry; and Homiletics. He has received the Promising Preaching Award (2006), E. Schuyler English Memorial Award from highest GPA in Doctrine/Bible (2007), and Donald L. MacCullough Award for Highest GPA in Youth Ministry (2007). Since then he has written numerous articles dealing with how to preach difficult texts within both the Old and New Testament. Bryan is a father of four with his wife Janice, also a Cairn alumnus ('08).

Greg Parker

Gregory Parker Jr. joined the School of Divinity faculty in 2022. He teaches courses in systematic theology at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, including Triune God, Narrative of Redemption, and the Doctrine of Man, Sin, and Salvation. After graduating from Cairn University himself, Greg pursued graduate school in theology, receiving an MDiv and a ThM from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. He is currently a candidate at the University of Edinburgh for a PhD in systematic theology. In addition to teaching, Greg loves Philadelphia sports, hanging with friends and family, and advocating for Tame Impala.

Brandon Petcaugh

Brandon Petcaugh is a full-time faculty member teaching Computer Science in the School of Business. He received a Post-Baccalaureate Degree at Drexel University, and continued his education at Georgia Institute of Technology. Brandon has spent most of his professional career teaching high school courses, leading summer workshops for teachers, and coaching a competitive robotics team. Brandon has been involved in ministry at the Pocono Mountain Bible Conference, and regularly attends church at Grace Point Church in Newtown, PA. He spends his free time running, playing tennis, learning new board games, and enjoying quality time with his family.

Deborah Rice

Deborah Rice is a full-time faculty member teaching business administration and management courses in the School of Business. She has a B.A. in Business Administration from Chadron State College and an M.A. in Christian Leadership from Asbury Theological Seminary. Additionally, Deborah has completed graduate studies in industrial management at South Dakota State University and holds professional certifications as a *Senior Professional in Human Resources* (SPHR) from Human Resource Certification Institute and a *Board Certified Coach* (BCC) with specializations in leadership and life coaching from Center for Credentialing and Education (CCE). Her professional experience includes roles in human resource leadership, organizational development, and senior management consulting within non- and for-profit environments, including retail, faith-based, manufacturing, healthcare, academia, and agriculture. Prior to joining Cairn University, Deborah also served several years in Christian higher education as executive director of HR, assistant

professor, academic department chair, and MBA director. Deborah and her husband Jim reside in Missouri. She is grateful to be a mom to four grown sons, a mother-in-law, and grandma.

Scott Watson

Scott Watson is a part-time faculty member in the School of Music teaching a variety of undergraduate and graduate music education, composition/arranging and technology courses. Dr. Scott Watson received his B.S., Music Education from West Chester University and his M.M and D.M.A., Composition from Temple University. For 35 years prior to that Watson taught band and elective music in the Parkland School District (Allentown, Pennsylvania), first as high school Director of Bands, then as coordinator of the district's elementary band/strings program - one of the largest, most vibrant programs in Pennsylvania. He frequently serves as guest conductor/clinician for honor bands/festivals.

Michael Zimmerman

Michael Zimmerman is a full-time faculty member and will be teaching history in the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences. A graduate of Cairn in 2011 and obtaining his MA from Arcadia University, he has spent his career as a high school and middle school teacher in Philadelphia. While he finds identifying his favorite segments of history difficult, he favors the Jacksonian Era in American History and the Mongol Empire in World History. He's also a big fan of William Wilberforce. He is married to his wife Anna and together they have three children.