Our Notable Alumni

Bob Gustas

- 8th Grade Math Teacher at Hal E. Clark Middle School in St. John.
- Graduated from Adrian College in 1988.
- 2010 Hoosier Educator of the Year which recognizes, rewards and promotes excellence in teaching and advocacy for the education profession.
- Lake Central Teacher’s Association Co-President
- The National Junior Honor Society Sponsor
- Bob is the boys cross-country and track coach and the girls assistant track coach.
- Bob lives with his wife, Letitia and their three children in St. John.

Mike McAran

- Superintendent of Tecumseh Schools: Serving over 2,900 students
- Graduated from Adrian College in 1966 majoring in English and History.
- Mike is concluding his 47 year career in education as he will retire following this school year.
- From 1976 to 1983 he was assistant high school principal and athletic director for Tecumseh.
- He returned to Tecumseh in 1998 as middle school principal and was appointed Superintendent in 2003.
- He quickly entered the field of education, with his career spanning over 45 years of service in Detroit, Tecumseh and Sand Creek. Most recently, he has served as superintendent for Tecumseh Public Schools and is planning to retire after the 2012-13 academic year.

TED Mission Statement
The Department of Teacher Education empowers competent, caring, creative, committed educators who will demonstrate the Ribbons of Excellence by:

CARING FOR HUMANITY AND THE WORLD
- Differentiate instruction
- Hold high expectations for all
- Establish a safe and nurturing learning environment
- Examine and respect multiple perspectives and ways of thinking
- Demonstrate professional ethics

LEARNING THROUGHOUT A LIFETIME
- Equip students with disciplinary tools, skills, and content
- Strengthen thinking, problem solving, and teamwork skills
- Identify and apply technological solutions
- Set and pursue goals for continued growth

THINKING CRITICALLY
- Support student growth
- Monitor and guide student progress through ongoing assessment
- Utilize curriculum standards, educational research, and professional resources

CROSSING BOUNDARIES and DISCIPLINES
- Implement interdisciplinary approaches
- Work corroboratively

DEVELOPING CREATIVITY
- Prepare and lead engaging instruction
- Creative teachers develop a myriad of strategies to engage students in learning

The Adrian College Teacher Education Program, which is designed to empower competent, caring, creative, and committed educators who will demonstrate the Ribbons of Excellence, is granted National Accreditation by the Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC). This accreditation certifies that the forenamed professional education program has provided evidence that the program adheres to TEAC's quality principles. www.teac.org
This course of study complements the Adrian College's Ribbons of Excellence (http://adrian.edu/academic/ribbons-of-excellence/) and is designed to introduce and cultivate research-based best practices in instructional and assessment strategies and methods. Additionally, this program will embody the IB Primary Years Programme's Standards of Excellence. Finally, this sequence will improve the skills of the candidates and advance the competencies within the Teacher Leadership Preparation Standards as these courses are directly aligned with the standards and are focused on the development of leadership skills.

CHOICE ONE:

TED 571: IB - Beliefs and Values of PYP: Classroom Practice (3 Credit Hours)
TED 572: IB - The Written Curriculum (3 Credit Hours)
TED 573: IB - The Taught Curriculum (3 Credit Hours)
TED 574: IB - The Assessed Curriculum (3 Credit Hours)
TED 579: Assessment and Evaluation (3 Credit Hours)

Dr. Vanessa B. Morrison, (Doctorate of Philosophy, Reading and Arts Education, 2005, Oakland University) Department Chair, Associate Professor
Specialization: Reading and Language Arts Education, Literacy Education, Early Childhood Education
Publications: Multiple peer-reviewed published articles, Multiple regional presentations.

Dr. Andrea R. Milner (Doctorate of Philosophy, Curriculum & Instruction, 2008. The University of Toledo) Director, Institute for Education, Assistant Professor
Specialization: Science Education, Educational Psychology, Early Childhood Development
Publications: Multiple peer-reviewed published articles; one published book chapter; Multiple national presentations.

Dr. Christina Mirtes (Doctorate of Philosophy, 2014 The University of Toledo) Assistant Professor
Specialization: Early Childhood Education

Dr. Al Crenn (Master of Science in Education, Niagara University) Assistant Professor
Specialization: Health Education, Special Education

Professor Michelle Hiscock (Master of Arts in Educational Technology, Central Michigan University) Assistant Professor
Specializations: Family and Consumer Sciences, Health Education, Technology Assessment.
Awards: 2010 MDE Family and Consumer Science Teacher of the year.

Professor Penny Cobau-Smith (Master of Arts in Special Education, University of Toledo)
Assistant Professor
Specialization: Secondary Education (Science and Psychology), Curriculum Development.
Publications: Published article, Multiple presentations.

Professor Kathleen Conway (Master of Arts in Pedagogy, Western Michigan University)
Assistant Professor
Specialization: K-12 Physical Education, Health Education

Professor Marcie Brown (Master of Arts, Teacher Education/Professional Development, Antioch University 1997)
Adjunct Faculty
Specialization: Reading Recovery; Social Sciences

Professor Mary Betzoldt (Master of Communication Eastern Michigan University, Adrian College graduate ‘68)
Adjunct Faculty, Field Placement Coordinator
Specialization: K-12 Education, communication, public speaking
Award: Lenawee County Effective Teacher Trainer

Dr. George Shirk (Doctorate of Philosophy in Mathematics Education)
Adjunct Faculty
Specialization: Mathematics Education
Publications: Co-founder and Co-director of The University of Toledo Science, Mathematics, and Technology Education Center (SciMaTEC)

Professor Chuck Brown (Master of Arts in Educational Leadership, Eastern Michigan University)
Adjunct Faculty
Specialization: Social Studies Education
Awards: Trainer/Observers for Lenawee Effective Teaching Skills' In-service and Professional Development Activity

Ms. Shirley McDaid (Master of Education, Siena Heights University)
Education Curriculum Center Director

Ms. Julie Sinkovitz TED Certification Officer

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