The Honors College welcomes 27 first-year students whose academic performance in Fall 2021 made them eligible to apply for admission over winter break. These new honors students represent each undergraduate college and averaged an impressive 3.84 GPA during their first semester at Radford.

The 2022 Honors Lecture features Dr. Stephen Asma (photo attached) from Columbia College. He will present Thinking About Monsters: A Philosophy of Horror and Vulnerability on Tuesday, February 22nd at 4pm in the Bonnie Auditorium. The category “monster” disrupts the borders and boundaries of what we consider natural, normal, and even intelligible. Our rational systems of order are overturned by the monstrous. In this lecture Dr. Asma will examine the role of monsters in cognition and knowledge, the ethical and political uses of monstrosity, the relation to personal identity, and the problem of evil. A philosophical “monsterology” is committed to the idea that we can better understand the human condition by examining what scares us—what makes us vulnerable. The event is free and open to the entire campus.

RUC Academic Support

Meet our new Writing Specialist!

Ever felt frustrated while writing a paper? Adam Sandlin can help you with that. With over ten years of experience helping students with all stages of the writing process, Adam is excited to help you navigate whatever composition you bring to him—essays, presentations, and even resumes. Please stop by the Learning and Writing Center on the fifth floor to say hello or schedule an appointment with Adam through Starfish.
The Radford University Libraries will be conducting their 2022 User Satisfaction Survey from February 7th-18th. All Radford University and Radford University Carilion students, faculty, and staff will be invited to respond. We’re excited to gather feedback on how we’re serving the needs of the Radford community and using that feedback to guide our planning and services.

To complete the survey, visit www.radford.edu/library-survey beginning February 7th, and please encourage your students and colleagues to do so as well.

For more information, contact Christina Manzo, User Experience & Assessment Librarian, at cmanzo4@radford.edu.

We are also accepting applications from students for the McConnell Library Student Advisory Board (McSlab). It’s a great way to help improve McConnell Library and get other students excited about the library. Students can apply via our online form: https://tinyurl.com/mcslabspring22. For more information contact Beth Johnson, Head of Access Services & Student Engagement: ejohnson82@radford.edu

Thank you from the Radford University Libraries!

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Please find link below to the National Geographic (Nat Geo) online publication. Professor Emeritus Jim Borling had the pleasure of being included in an article about ‘Music and Healing in Appalachia’. Anderson Music Therapy (Noel Anderson, MT-BC) is also included here for her exceptional work in Roanoke.

Author Taylor Sisk will be doing more in the near future on music therapy in general as well as a deeper look at Mr. Borling’s work with addiction and trauma through the Bonny Method of Guided Imagery and Music.

**LINK:** https://www.nationalgeographic.com/history/article/in-appalachia-music-helps-heal-body-mind-and-soul-?cmpid=org=ngp::mc=crm-email::src=ngp::cmp=editorial::add=History_20220117::rid=61A9A59CD4EF9F9CC4F0AF751E5173F