

# GRADUATE STUDIES NEWSLETTER

This platform serves as a hub for sharing exciting updates, upcoming events, and achievements from our vibrant community, so let's celebrate the dedication, innovation, and collaboration that define our graduate programs!

We hope you find inspiration and valuable resources within these pages and are able to find new ways of connection with the Winthrop and Rock Hill communities.

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Melissa comes to Winthrop after six years serving as the the founding Dean of the Graduate School and Associate Provost for Digital Learning at Queens University in Charlotte. Melissa also received both her Doctor of Education (EdD) in Educational Administration & Leadership and a Master of Education (MEd) in Curriculum & Instruction from Arizona State university.

# Dean McCariney and and important questions INQUIRING MINDS WANT TO KNOW

#### FAVORITE GUILTY PLEASURE:

Bingeing documentaries one day and questionable reality TV the next

#### FAVORITE MOVIE:

Hard to pick just one. But I watch It's a Wonderful Life every year.

- FAVORITE SNACK:
  Gummy Bears
- FAVORITE DRINK:
  Diet Mountain Dew
- COFFEE OR TEA?
  Coffee. Hot in the morning, iced in the afternoon
- WHAT'S ONE FOOD YOU COULD EAT EVERY DAY?
  I can't eat the same food two days in a row, let alone everyday.
  Variety is the spice(s) of my life
- IS THERE A SKILL YOU'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO LEARN?
  Gardening, it seems like art, science and therapy.
- DO YOU KARAOKE? IF YES, WHAT'S YOUR GO-TO SONG?
  It depends on the vibe at the moment: Livin' on a Prayer or Pink Pony Club?
- MORNING PERSON OR A NIGHT OWL?

  Night owl by nature, morning person by vocation.
- DO YOU HAVE A HIDDEN TALENT?

  Television theme song trivia...In West Philadelphia born and raised
- WHAT'S SOMETHING YOU'RE REALLY INTO RIGHT NOW? Exploring hidden gems around the Carolinas like wineries, waterfalls, farms, and beaches. Share your favorites with me. I am always up for a day trip!



Applications due via Wingspan by September 15th.

A late fee of \$25 will be applied for applications submitted after the deadline.



## 2026-27 Graduate Scholarship Applications

**Open November 1st** 

### Thesis papers due

**December 1st** 

\*for applicable programs



#### **Bienvenidos Bash!**

Tuesday, September 9th, 6pm Owens G01

Latinos Unidos invites you to our interest meeting! Stop by for free food, goodie bags, games and a chance to win a prize in our raffle! Meet the exec team, learn about our upcoming events!

#### **The Finer Gameshow**

Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:20pm *DiGS Edge* Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. will be hosting a fun and interactive gameshow!

#### 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb

Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 9am Winthrop Coliseum Guests are invited to the 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb.

#### **Resume Review Pop Up**

Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 11am *DiGS 114* Meet with Career Center staff and have your resume reviewed just in time for the Fall Career Fair.

#### **Robert and Clara Schumann Recital**

Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm Barnes Recital Hall collaborative recital between voice and piano

#### **Pop Up Career Closet**

Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am *DiGS 114* 

Visit the Pop-Up Career Closet for FREE professional attire and a complimentary LinkedIn headshot.

#### Fall Career Fair

Thursday, September 25th, 11am - 1:30pm

Open to all majors and is an opportunity for students and alumni to learn about industries, career paths, and internship and employment opportunities with local, regional, and national organizations.

#### Family Day

Friday & Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

Fun-filled, engaging, and educational event for students and their families around campus and the community!

#### Homecoming & Reunion 2025

Friday & Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Class reunions, campus tours, athletics events, lectures, tailgating and more!

### **Annual Events**

#### Boo-HaHa Halloween Festival

October, Fountain Park Pumpkins, inflatables, & more!

#### **Christmasville Holiday Festival**

December 4th - 7th Featuring a variety of activities, including live performances, art exhibitions, holiday markets, and festive decorations throughout the city

#### Come See Me Festival

April 17th - 18th, 2026 Rock Hill's annual salute to spring loaded with over 60 events, activities, frogs, music, and fun

York County events can now be accessed through your new Wingspan!



Events in York County

#### **Movies in the Park**

Wicked: September 12th The Haunted Mansion: October 10th starting at dusk Fountain Park

#### **Food Truck Friday**

September 19th, 6 - 10pm Fountain Park

#### **Fall Artisan Market**

October 4th, 9am - 2pm Anne Springs Close Greenway

### Recurring

#### Ft. Mill Farmers & Artisan Market

Every Saturday, 9am - 12pm through October 25th Veteran's Park

#### **Old Town Farmers Market**

Every Saturday, 8:30am - 12:30pm through October 25th Legal Remedy Brewing

#### **Trivia Nights**

every Tuesday, 7pm Slow Play Brewing

every Wednesday, 7pm Hoppin'

every Thursday, 7pm **Untamed Waters Brewing** 

#### **Disc Golf Putting Leagues**

every Monday, 6 - 9:30pm Hoppin'

every Thursday, 5:45-8:30pm Slow Play Brewing

#### **Live Music**

every Wednesday, 7pm Armor Artis Brewing

#### Wine Walkers

every Wednesday, 5:30pm Green Space Plant Co

#### **First Fridays**

The first Friday of the month, 4 - 10pm Head to Old Town's shops, restaurants, venues, and galleries for an unforgettable evening of drinks, art, live music, and more! Congratulates to the 2025 Winthrop University Human Nutrition Dietetic Internship Graduates!

> Daniele Ramirez Lizzie Lonon Fabiola Quinones Rosa Amber Allen Kristin Wingate Ethan Wester Stephanie Nielsen Ashley Langston





& to the staff in the Graduate Studies and Social Work

Offices for their caring hardwork to bring so many Limestone MSW students into the Winthrop community







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Garnet & Gold Fridays!

The Student Alumni Council encourages Eagle pride! Students wearing their garnet and gold on Fridays will have a chance to win prizes, and SAC members will issue gold tickets to those not wearing garnet and gold

You can shop & support Winthrop student creators! https://www.studentmaderockhill.com/

Therapy dogs come to campus every month!

llam on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month in the DiGS Campus Center.

Winthrop has over 100 student organizations: connect with students who share your common interests or Enrolled students are eligible for one complementary ticket to all ticketed Winthrop Athletic events...just show your ID at the door!

Writing Center Hours: Monday: 8:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Friday: 11:00 a.m - 1:00 p.m.

start your own!

You can reach out anytime to our very own Dean Melissa McCartney through the "Ask the Dean" form: https://www.winthrop.edu/sgco/ graduatestudies/ask-the-deanform.aspx



