New full-time hires and appointments:

Mr. Richard S. Bertie, Jr. – Assistant Athletic Trainer
*Replacement position (Allison Stubbs)*
Richard comes to the University from Lock Haven University where he served as Graduate Assistant Athletic Trainer. He has earned degrees of Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training from the Lock Haven University and Master of Science in Exercise Enhancement and Injury Prevention from California University of Pennsylvania.

Br. Richard J. Boland, T.O.R. – Apostolic Intern/Dorothy Day Minister
*New Position*
Br. Richard comes to the University with a degree of Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy from Franciscan University of Steubenville.

Dr. Jessica L. Cammarata – Clinical Instructor, Physical Therapy
*Replacement position (Kay Malek)*
Jessica began employment at the University as an Adjunct Instructor. She has earned degrees of Bachelor of Science in Human Nature from Juniata College and Master of Physical Therapy from Medical College of Pennsylvania and Hahnemann University. She received a Doctor of Physical Therapy from Temple University.

Dr. Roxana L. Cazan – Instructor, English
*Replacement position (Kirk Weixel)*
Roxana comes to the University from Indiana University where she served as an Associate Instructor. She has earned degrees of Bachelor of Arts in English and Romanian from Lucian Blaga University; Master of Arts in English from the University of Louisville, Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing from Indiana University; and a Ph.D. in English Literature also from Indiana University.

Ms. Dasha Cherkasov – Associate Director, Student Athlete Academic Services
*Replacement position (Lauren Hosko)*
Dasha comes to the University from Maris College where she served as Academic Advisement Fellow. She has earned degrees of Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Boston College and Master of Science in Education from Fordham University.

Ms. Geri L. Cronauer – Registered Nurse
*Replacement position (Jennifer Batche)*
Geri comes to the University from UPMC Community Nursing where she served as Utilization Review Coordinator. She has earned a degree of Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Pennsylvania State University.

Br. Richard J. Fornwalt, T.O.R. – Apostolic Intern/Campus Minister
*Replacement position (Br. David Sheehan, T.O.R.)*
Br. Richard comes to the University with degrees of Bachelor of Arts in English from Mount Aloysius and Master of Divinity in Theology from Catholic University of America.

Mr. Dustien E. Garman – Residence Life Coordinator
*Replacement position (Jana Clinton)*
Dustien began employment at the University as a Graduate Assistant in Residence Life. He has earned a degree of Bachelor of Science in Marketing and Management from Saint Francis University.
Dr. Evan M. Gazza –Sports Physical Therapy Resident
Replacement position (John Dale)
Evan comes to the University from Brunswick Physical Therapy Associates where he served as Student Physical Therapist. He has earned degrees of Bachelor of Science in Sports Management from Davis and Elkins College and a Doctor of Physical Therapy from Slippery Rock University.

Ms. Heather A. Gides – Instructor/Clinical Coordinator, Physician Assistant
Replacement position (Jill Cavalet)
Heather comes to the University from Richard Kastelic and Associates where she served as a Physician Assistant. She has earned a degree of Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences and Master of Physician Assistant Sciences both from Saint Francis University.

Mr. Matthew P. Gueguen –Assistant Coach, Football
Replacement position (Jason Glezman)
Matthew comes to the University from Mercyhurst University where he served as Defensive Line Coach – Recruiting Coordinator. He has earned degrees of Bachelor of Science in Sports Management from Slippery Rock University and Master of Science in Organizational Leadership from Mercyhurst University.

Mr. Frederick J. Hartland – Visiting Assistant Professor, Fine Arts
Replacement position (Kenneth Resinski)
Frederick began employment at the University as an Adjunct Instructor. He has earned degrees of Bachelor of Arts in English from Westminster College and Master of Fine Arts from Carnegie-Mellon University.

Dr. David A. Hunter – Visiting Assistant Professor, Social Work
New Position
David began employment at the University as an Adjunct Assistant Professor. He has earned degrees of Bachelor of Arts in Rehabilitation Counseling and Psychology from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Master of Social Work from The University of Pittsburgh and a Ph.D. in Administration and Leadership Studies also from Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Amanda J. Martino – Visiting Assistant Professor, Biology
Replacement position (Paul Falso)
Amanda comes to the University from the Pennsylvania State University where she served as a Graduate Student. She has earned degrees of Bachelor of Science in Biology/Environmental studies from Saint Francis University and a Ph.D. in Geosciences/Biogeochemistry from Pennsylvania State University.

Ms. Kellie S. Mason – Assistant Director Student Athlete Academic Services
New position
Kellie started here at the University as a Graduate Assistant. She has earned a degree of Bachelor of Science in Middle Childhood Education from Saint Francis University.

Mr. Luke C. McConnell – Director of Basketball Operations
New position
Luke began employment at the University as a Graduate Assistant. He has earned degrees of Bachelor of Science in Management and Master of Business Administration both from Saint Francis University.

Dr. Tricia G. McFadden – Visiting Instructor, Marketing
Replacement position (Betsy Lehman)
Tricia began employment at the University as an Adjunct Instructor. She has earned degrees of Bachelor of Arts in Rhetorical Communication and English Writing from the University of Pittsburgh and Master of Arts in Communication Studies from Barry University, and a Ph.D. in Rhetoric from Duquesne University.
Ms. Leah M. Neiheisel – Assistant Coach, Women’s Swimming/Auxiliary Director, Aquatics
Replacement position (Jacqueline Michalski)
Leah comes to the University from Mercy Healthplex Sea Wolves where she served as Assistant Swim Coach/Water Safety Instructor. She has earned a degree of Bachelor of General Studies in Healthcare Administration from University of Nebraska.

Ms. Kayla A. Oxenrider – Assistant Coach, Women’s Basketball
Replacement position (Danielle Hemerka)
Kayla comes to the University from Albright College where she served as Assistant Coach, Women’s Basketball. She has earned a degree of Bachelor of Science in Education from Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania.

Ms. Kelsea J. Palmer – Lab Instructor/Technician, Engineering
New position
Kayla comes to the University from Skelly & Loy Engineering-Environmental Consultants where she served as Jr. Environmental Scientist. She has earned a degree of Bachelor of Science in Environmental Engineering from Saint Francis University.

Ms. Melissa S. Plunkard – Instructor, Nursing
Replacement position (Thomas Beavers)
Melissa began employment at the University as an Adjunct Instructor. She has earned degrees of Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Pennsylvania State University and Master of Science in Nursing from Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Samantha A. Radford – Assistant Professor, Chemistry
Replacement position (Charles Dameron)
Samantha comes to the University from Berry College where she served as a Visiting Assistant Professor. She has earned degrees of Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from Berry College and a Ph.D. in Chemistry from Emory University.

Ms. Carolyn G. Rapoport – Assistant Athletic Trainer
Replacement position (Stacy Trice)
Carolyn comes to the University from Ohio University where she served as Graduate Assistant Athletic Trainer. She has earned degrees of Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training from the University of New Hampshire and Master of Science in Athletic Training from the University of Ohio.

Ms. Sandra J. Rea – Medical Assistant
New position
Sandra comes to the University from Conemaugh Physicians Group where she served as Certified Medical Assistant. She has earned a degree of Associate of Science in Medical Assistant from Mount Aloysius College.

Dr. Lanika Y. Ruzhitskaya – Director, Science Outreach Center
Replacement position (Allison Felix)
Lanika comes to the University from the University of Missouri where she served as Post-Doctoral Fellow. She has earned degrees of Bachelor of Arts in Journalism from University of Rostov-on-Don; Master of Arts in Journalism/Advertising Management, Education Specialist and a Ph.D. in Information Science and Learning Technologies from the University of Missouri.

Dr. Matthew J. Schuh – Orthopedic Physical Therapy Resident
Replacement position (Sean Gdula)
Matthew comes to the University from ATI Physical Therapy where he served as Physical Therapist. He has earned degrees of Bachelor of Health Science from University of Cincinnati and a Doctor of Physical Therapy from Saint Francis University.
Dr. Alireza Shahkarami – Assistant Professor, Engineering Petroleum & Natural Gas  
*New Position*  
Alireza comes to the University from West Virginia University where he served as a Research Scientist. He has earned degrees of Bachelor of Science in Chemical & Petroleum Engineering from Sharif University of Technology; Master of Science and a Ph.D. both in Petroleum Engineering from West Virginia University.

Dr. Benjamin D. Smith – Visiting Assistant Professor, Chemistry  
*Replacement position (Jennifer Wilcox)*  
Benjamin comes to the University from Juniata College where he served as a Visiting Assistant Professor. He has earned degrees of Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry from Lawrence University and a Ph.D. in Chemistry from The Pennsylvania State University.

Mr. Kenneth C. Smith, Jr. – University Police Officer  
*Replacement position (Melissa Clouser)*  
Kenneth comes to the University from East Taylor Township Police where he served as Chief of Police. He has earned a Certificate of Act 120 from Greater Johnstown Police Academy.

Dr. Peter M. Smyntek – Post Doctoral Fellow  
*New position*  
Peter comes to the University from University College London where he served as Postdoctoral Researcher & Environmental Consultant. He has earned degrees of Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry from Grove City College and a Ph.D. in Environmental Chemistry from State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry.

Mr. Marquise J. Stancil – Assistant Coach, Men’s and Women’s Track & Field  
*Replacement position (Augustine Schmader)*  
Marquise comes to the University from Temple University where he served as Assistant Coach, Men’s and Women’s Track & Field. He has earned degrees of Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education Mathematics and Master of Education in Urban Education and Leadership both from Temple University.

Mr. Terence C. Swinney – Assistant Coach, Women’s Volleyball  
*New position*  
Terence comes to the University from University of Charleston where he served as Assistant Coach, Volleyball. He has earned degrees of Bachelor of Arts & Science in Geography specialized in Meteorology from Southern Illinois University and Master of Science in Strategic Leadership from University of Charleston.

Dr. Kyle B. Thomsen – Assistant Professor, Philosophy  
*Replacement position (Julia Levin)*  
Kyle comes to the University from Anna Maria College where he served as an Assistant Professor. He has earned degrees of Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy from Roanoke College; Master of Arts in Philosophy and a Ph.D. in Philosophy both from Loyola University.

Mr. Jordan N. Varee – Assistant Coach, Men’s Volleyball  
*Replacement position (Scott Gleason)*  
Jordan comes to the University from Pennsylvania University where he served as a Graduate Assistant – Assistant Coach for Men’s & Women’s Volleyball. He has earned a degree of Bachelor of Science in Health Administration from Saint Francis University.

Mr. Brian K. White, Sr. – Assistant Coach, Football  
*Replacement position (Colyn Haugh)*  
Brian comes to the University from Livingstone College where he served as Assistant Head Coach / Offensive Coordinator. He has earned a degree of Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Youngstown State University.
Ms. Morgan C. Whited – Lab Instructor, Engineering

New position

Morgan comes to the University from Geo Tech Engineering, Inc. where she served as Civil Technician. She has earned a degree of Bachelor of Science in Environmental Engineering from Saint Francis University.

Separations:

Ms. Jennifer G. Batche – 1 year of service
Ms. Jana M. Clinton – 1 year of service
Dr. John L. Dale – 1 year of service
Mr. Brian J. Davis – 2 years of service
Ms. Amanda S. Drumm – 9 years of service
Dr. Sean A. Gdula – 1 year of service
Ms. Wanda R. Little – 37 years of service
Ms. Jacqueline C. Michalski – 2 years of service
Ms. Margaret R. Strittmatter – 15 years of service
Ms. Alison V. Stubbs – 4 years of service
Ms. Courtney A. Wentz – 4 years of service

Promotions and other changes in status:

Ms. Marian E. Bender – Human Resources Manager to Director of Human Resources
Mr. Michael J. Blaisdell – Network Administrator to Director, Network Services
Dr. Robin L. Cadwallader – Associate Professor to Professor, English
Ms. Jill M. Cavalet – Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Physician Assistant Sciences
Dr. Maria A. Colmer – Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Occupational Therapy
Dr. Denise H. Damico – Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, History
Ms. Carole A. Dietrich – Custodial Worker 1 to Mailroom Attendant
Ms. Cindy J. Drenning – Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Nursing

Dr. Patricia I. Fitzgerald – Associate Professor to Professor, Exercise Physiology

Dr. Michele R. Hargittai – Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Chemistry

Ms. Stephanie L. Ivory – Department Chair of Education

Ms. Sarah L. Kirsch – Part time Deli Worker to Full time Salad Prep

Dr. Brendon L. LaBuz – Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Mathematics

Mr. Christopher S. Lytle – Corporal to Sergeant, University Police

Mr. Steven R. McCloskey – Part time Catering Driver to Full time Catering Driver

Ms. Gerri L. Mock – Part time Prep Cook to Full time Prep Cook

Dr. Marnie L. Moist – Associate Professor to Professor, Psychology

Ms. Bernice T. Nagle – Part time Prep Cook to Full time Pizza Cook

Ms. Sarah L. Kirsch – Part time Deli Worker to Full time Salad Prep

Mr. Christopher S. Lytle – Corporal to Sergeant, University Police

Mr. Steven R. McCloskey – Part time Catering Driver to Full time Catering Driver

Ms. Gerri L. Mock – Part time Prep Cook to Full time Prep Cook

Dr. Marnie L. Moist – Associate Professor to Professor, Psychology

Ms. Bernice T. Nagle – Part time Prep Cook to Full time Pizza Cook

Ms. Amy L. Noel – Dining Service Worker to Custodial Worker

Ms. Kristen M. Radovanic-Corcoran – Assistant Director to Associate Director, Residence Life

Mr. Eric M. Sepich – Program Assistant, Ambialet to Admissions Counselor

Ms. Monica E. Shedlock – Organizational Development Assistant to Assistant Director, Human Resources and Institutional Research

Mr. Kenneth C. Smith, Jr. – Part time to Full time Police Officer

Dr. Ariane L. Smith Machin – Visiting Assistant Professor to Assistant Professor, Psychology

Mr. Kent P. Tonkin – CERMUSA Assistant Director, IT to Instructor, Masters Human Resources Management and Management Information Systems

Ms. Sherri L. Toth – Coordinator, Graduate Education Programs to Associate Director, Graduate Education

Ms. Sarah J. Wood – Lead ESL Teacher to Coordinator Intensive English Program

Ms. Tracy A. Wright – Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Physician Assistant Sciences

Ms. Bernadette A. Yeager – Research Logistics Specialist/Institute Operational Manager to Operations Coordinator