

Name: Kelly J. Aitchison

Degree(s): MSDH and BS in Dental Hygiene, University of Bridgeport; AAS in Dental Hygiene, Tunxis Community College

License/Certification(s): RDH, CPR

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Biography: Kelly J. Aitchison has been in the dental field for 20 years, 13 of which have been as a registered dental hygienist. She started in the field as a dental assistant and then pursued dental hygiene graduating from Tunxis Community College obtaining an Associates of Science Degree in Dental Hygiene. Then furthered her education at the University of Bridgeport obtaining a Bachelor of Science Degree in Dental Hygiene and Master of Science in Dental Hygiene with a concentration in Public Health. As a RDH she developed an oral health program for the Rivera Memorial Foundation, Inc. and assisted them in obtaining a grant. She is the mother of two small boys and enjoys her role as a mother and teacher.

Fun Fact: Kelly has her motorcycle license.

Name: Mark Anderson

Degree(s): MA in Military History, Norwich University; MA in Public Policy, Trinity College; BA in Political Science, Union College

Position: Vice President of Academic Affairs

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Biography: Vice President Anderson has been with the college since 2004, originally as an adjunct instructor for Briarwood College. In 2007, he became a full-time instructor, and later served as both Associate Chair and Chair of the Social and Behavioral Sciences Department before his appointment as Associate Dean in February 2013, and most recently as VPAA in January 2016. He proudly served for five years as an advisor of the Beta Nu Xi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor's society. He also directed the effort to establish the Faculty Council in 2012. Mark lives in Madison with his wife, Sue, and their sons Robert and Samuel, as well as their Pyrenes/Lab rescue Cowboy. In the summer they spend as much time as possible at their cottage in the quaint town of Woodbury, VT, where they enjoy swimming, kayaking, and listening to the call of the loon. More importantly, as all of his students know, he is an avid and loyal fan of the Boston Red Sox and the #14 in NASCAR, and genuinely believes that the Miami Dolphins are the key to America's salvation.

Fun Fact: At the suggestion of an LCNE colleague, Mark's dress shirts and large assortment of ties are hung in a ROYGBIV pattern...because it just makes sense.

Name: Frank Bruskey

Degree(s): JD, University of Bridgeport; BA in US History, St. Francis College

License/Certification(s): MPTC State Certificate

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Biography: Associate Professor Bruskey is a member of the Criminal Justice Department. He was formerly employed as a supervisor with G4S Justice Services, one of the world's largest private security contractors. The position was a partnership with DHS/ICE, monitoring illegal immigrants post arrest by ICE Agents and prior to deportation. He is retired from the Hartford Police Department where he served as a Detective in the Major Crimes Division and as an Adjunct Instructor in the Hartford Police Academy.

Fun Fact: Frank's education philosophy is, "Every student has success potential."

Name: Corrin Campbell

Degree(s): BS in Childhood Development, Charter Oak State College; AAS in Occupational Therapy Assistant, Briarwood College

License/Certification(s): COTA/L

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Biography: Mrs. Campbell has been with the college since 2007, originally as an adjunct instructor for Briarwood College. She proudly serves as the advisor of the SOTA Club. Corrin lives in town with her husband, Rit, and their son Griffin. In the summer they spend as much time as possible in their favorite state of RI. A huge supporter of the arts, Corrin is an avid theater goer and actually met her husband when they were performers in Fiddler on the Roof in 1995. She also volunteers with animal rescue and wants to remind you to adopt don't shop!

Fun Fact: Corrin is a die-hard baseball mom and when she isn't on campus she can be found at the baseball field cheering on her son.

Name: Roberta Cascone

Degree(s): MS in Human Nutrition, University of Bridgeport; BS in Occupational Therapy, Indiana University

License/Certification(s): OTR/L, CHT

Position: Academic Program Director, Occupational Therapy Assistant

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Biography: Ms. Cascone had her own practice specializing in the hand and upper extremity. Prior to teaching at the College she lectured across the country, and owned a golf health and fitness business. When not working she spends her time with her 14 year daughter and golden doodle Maddie. Roberta loves music, hiking, the beach and traveling. She has been to many countries but the place that impacted her was the month spent in India when she was 18, and where she was able to meet Mother Teresa, a truly amazing human being.

Fun Fact: Roberta loves to dance.

Name: Rich Cieslowski

Degree(s): MEd with emphasis in Business, Cambridge College; BA in Physics, University of CT

Position: Associate Professor, Physics

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Biography: Rich Cieslowski has completed courses in Leadership and Practices of Adult Education from NOVA Southeastern, Ft Lauderdale, FL. After extensive careers in business, the Army, and the Army reserves he began a career in teaching in 1992 as a science instructor in Connecticut's Technical High School System. After several years of higher education instruction, Mr. Cieslowski joined Lincoln College of New England as an adjunct faculty member in 1995. Mr. Cieslowski became a full-time Associate Professor in 2010. In addition to teaching he is committed to student success through tutoring for science and math in the ACE Learning Center at the college.

Fun Fact: Rich grows "heirloom tomatoes."

Name: Jon Daly

Degree(s): PhD in Leadership in Higher Education, Capella University; MA in Education and BA in Culinary, Johnson and Wales University; AAS in Culinary Arts, SUNY Cobleskill

Position: Department Chair, General Education

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Biography: Dr. Chef Jon Daly brings 25 years of experience as a chef in the industry, 14 years as an educator in hospitality and culinary arts, and 3 years working as administrator for LCNE. Dr. Daly is currently working on publishing some educational articles on student retention from the data he has collected from his dissertation, and became the Director of Institutional Effectiveness in 2014. Dr. Daly began to serve as the Department Chair of General Education in the fall 2017.

Fun Fact: Dr. Daly is married to his wife Lenore has three daughters and four grandsons. He also teaches food safety to people in the foodservice industry.

Name: Christopher DiStiso

Degree(s): MBA, New York Institute of Technology; BA in Communication, Central Connecticut State University

Position: Academic Dean/ Academic Program Director, Communication

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Biography: Chris is enjoying his fourth year with Lincoln College of New England. Prior to his role as the Dean for Academic Affairs, he served as the College Registrar at LCNE. With 15 years in higher education, Chris' primary goal is to motivate and help students achieve success. Chris' background in higher education includes roles as Registrar, Instructor and Academic Advisor. He welcomes all students to visit his office to update him on their progress. Prior to higher education, Chris began his career in the media. Some of the positions he has held are audio engineer, video editor and video producer at Cox Communication and World Wrestling Entertainment respectively. He remains in the audio field in his spare time.

Fun Fact: Chris is a drummer and has performed live several times. He has even sold a few copies of his music internationally.

Name: Stephen Fasciano

Degree(s): PhD in Molecular Biology, University of South Carolina; BS in Biology, St. Joseph University;

Position: Department Chair, Math, Science and Technology

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Biography: Dr. Stephen Fasciano completed his dissertation on the role of vascular smooth muscle cells in atherosclerosis in 2005. From 2005-2007 he was a post-doctoral associate at Virginia Tech, working with Dr. Liwu Li in the field of immunology. During that time he published 5 peer-reviewed journal articles on his research and taught a senior-level immunology course for a professor who was on sabbatical.

Fun Fact: Dr. Fasciano plays drums in various local bands.

Name: Lisa Ann Fioravanti

Degree(s): MS in Reading and Language Arts and BS in Business Education, Central CT State University

Position: Associate Department Chair, Math, Science and Technology

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Biography: Lisa Ann Fioravanti earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from Central Connecticut State University and began teaching at the College in 1990. She is dedicated to teaching and has taught a variety of courses including Introductory and Advanced Computer Applications. Her lifelong mission is to help her students fulfill their potential and achieve their goals. She also enjoys training faculty and staff on the latest computer applications. Mrs. Fioravanti has served on many College committees and has been actively involved in many teaching and learning professional development workshops to enhance students' educational experiences. She is presently serving on the Executive Board of the Connecticut Business Educators Association as chair of the scholarship committee. She is a member of Delta Pi Epsilon, a National Graduate Honorary Society, and the National Business Educators Association. She enjoys reading, craftwork, and time with her family.

Fun Fact: Mrs. Fioravanti has been happily married to her husband, Jeff, for many years. They recently earned membership in the "225 Club" at the Southington YMCA which means they worked out 225 times last year.

Name: Jesse Gomes

Degree(s): MA and BS in Biomolecular Sciences: Cell and Molecular Biology/ Physiology, Central Connecticut State University; AS in Mortuary Science, Lincoln College of New England

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Position: Instructor

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Biography: Jesse Gomes has been with LCNE since 2014. He was born, raised and resides in West Hartford, CT and went through the public schools graduating from Conard High School in 2003. He continued his education at Central Connecticut State University where he earned a

Bachelor's Degree in Biomolecular Sciences in 2008 and a Master's Degree in Cell and Molecular Biology and Physiology in 2009. Jesse started working at Molloy Funeral Home as a Funeral Director's Assistant while in undergraduate studies and eventually decided to go back to school and earn a degree in Mortuary Sciences from Lincoln College of New England in 2013. He served his internship and apprenticeship at Molloy Funeral Home and is now on the staff as a licensed funeral director and embalmer since 2014. In addition to the funeral home, Jesse is the director of the Human Anatomy Laboratories and Anatomical Gifts at the Frank H. Netter, MD School of Medicine at Quinnipiac University in North Haven, CT, and helps at his family's local gas and service station. He is an active member of both the Connecticut Funeral Directors Association and the National Funeral Directors Association and is currently working on obtaining his Certified Funeral Service Practitioner (CFSP) designation from the Academy of Professional Funeral Service Practice.

Fun Fact: Jesse is an accomplished organist who has played in several churches and venues for various occasions, enjoys collecting cars and antiques, traveling and spending time at his family's lake house enjoying the weather, water and family.

Name: Phyllis Hilt

Degree(s): MBA with concentration in finance, University of New Haven; BS in Management, Post University

License/Certification(s): RHIA

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Biography: Phyllis has been a health information professional for over 30 years. Initially Phyllis started her career in a hospital setting, and after receiving her master's degree she pursued a career in teaching. Her teaching experience has taught her many lessons, especially on how to interact with students.

Fun Fact: Phyllis is a weaver who has her own loom in her tiny home where she creates wonderful pieces cloth.

Name: Amanda Jones

Degree(s): BA in History, Central Connecticut State University; BS in Dental Hygiene, University of Bridgeport

License/Certification(s): Registered Dental Hygienist, Certification in Local Anesthesia

Position: Instructor

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Biography: Amanda is happy to be a part of such a dedicated and committed team here at Lincoln College of New England. After graduating from Central Connecticut State University, she continued her studies at the Fones School of Dental Hygiene at the University of Bridgeport. Her dedication to her education continues as she is currently obtaining her Masters of Public Health. She has been in the dental field since 2008 and joined LCNE in 2015. Her commitment to the dental hygiene profession is clear as she is a proud member of the American Dental

Hygiene Association, the Connecticut Dental Hygiene Association and a part of the Hartford Dental Component. She is honored to be a part of amazing volunteer efforts such as Give Kids a Smile, CHIP and Connecticut's Mission of Mercy. Amanda's goal is to help the next generation of dental hygienist love their career as much as she does. She believes the profession of dental hygiene is changing; she is thrilled to be a part of such a profession and be able to see first-hand as it continues to grow.

Fun Fact: Amanda's Pomeranian dog, Benjamin, has his own car seat, which is practical for family day trips to Newport, hikes in the fall, or long trips to Vermont.

Name: Carmen Hufcut

Degree(s): MDH with concentration in Education and Public Health and BHS, Fones School of Dental Hygiene at the University of Bridgeport; AAS Dental Assisting, University of Puerto Rico.

License/Certification(s): Registered Dental Hygienist, Dental Assistant, Certification in Local Anesthesia

Position: Department Chair, Dental Studies

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Biography: Carmen Hufcut was born and raised in Puerto Rico, came to the United States in 1986 to pursue a Dental Hygiene career at the University of Bridgeport in Connecticut. Ms. Hufcut has extensively practiced clinical dental hygiene for over 20 years, as well as over 10 years in Higher Education. Her responsibilities have included, advising students, reviewing and assessing curriculum, developing and managing department goals and budget, developing beneficial relationships within the community and assisting in the marketing of the program. She has taught pre-clinical and clinical instruction, as well as Community and Public Health, Dental Hygiene Capstone and Periodontology. Carmen was personally involved in the creation, designed, implementation, and accreditation with a perfect report of the Dental Hygiene Program curriculum and Dental Hygiene Clinic, in a new program for a college in Connecticut. In September, 2016 she joined the Lincoln College of New England Dental Studies family.

She has been an active member of the American Dental Hygienists' Association, where she has served as Annual Session Chair, organizing and directing fundraisers for the Association, Award Chair, collecting and reviewing nominee applications. Twice as Delegate Chair for CDHA Annual Session and as CDHA Membership chair, increasing membership by 10%. She is also active with community, where she served as vice president for Milford Junior Woman Association, has volunteered services to the Connecticut Mission of Mercy, which provides free dental services to more than 3,500 patients in a weekend a year. PTA president, "Give Kids a Smile" as well as many other health fairs and found rising program coordinator.

Fun Fact: She is a huge Harry Potter fan!!!!

Name: Nicole Kras

Degree(s): PhD in Adult learning and development, Lesley University; MS in Education, Southern CT State University; MA in Art Therapy and BA in Psychology with concentration in child development and mental health, Albertus Magnus College.

License/Certification(s): CAGS Classroom Teacher Specialist

Position: Academic Program Director, Child Development and Human Services

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Biography: Nicole started teaching as a psychology adjunct faculty member at the college in 2010 and became a full-time instructor in 2012. She currently serves as the program director for the child development and human services program. In addition to her teaching, Nicole is also an art therapist and presents interactive workshops on the benefits of expressive arts.

Fun Fact: Nicole loves Disney World and visits almost every year.

Name: James Lewis

Degree(s): MBA in Management & Marketing, University of Pittsburgh; BA in Geology, Lafayette College

Position: Associate Professor, Business

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Biography: In addition to his earned degrees, Mr. Lewis completed management and science courses while on a Teaching Assistantship at Cornell University. Jim served in management positions for RCA and the Hertz Corporation and has over 35 years of experience as a management consultant in corporate development, strategic planning, marketing and entrepreneurship. He has been involved in a variety of start-up companies and major product/technology developments, ranging from consumer electronics to alternative fuels, information services and publishing. Jim was intimately involved in educational and local political policy issues as an elected member of the Local School Board in Easton, CT where he served for five years, including two as Secretary. He began teaching as an adjunct faculty member at the College in 2002, became a full-time faculty member in 2011, teaching management and marketing courses. Jim has an avid interest in sports, particularly football and basketball, outdoors activities and nature. He played varsity football for three years at Lafayette, not missing a game or practice, and is a strong advocate of the concept of student athletes and the value of sports participation for all. Jim served as an officer in the Army Corps of Engineers, and remains a life-long, die hard Steelers fan.

Fun Fact: Jim lives with his wife Allison, an artist, specialty baker, and designer.

Name: William Morgan

Degree(s): JD, Quinnipiac University; BS in Criminal Justice Administration, University of New Haven

Position: Academic Program Director, Criminal Justice

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Biography: William has been active in the criminal justice field since 1980 while at the University of New Haven. He networked with another student who was working as a Constable in the Town of Essex, Connecticut and was hired as a part-time law enforcement officer. He began working as a full time Police officer for the Connecticut State Capitol Police. He served the department as a the training officer, Field Training Officer, Senior Patrol Officer, Sergeant, Lieutenant and Chief of Police for the last six years, retiring in 2006. In 2007, he began developing and teaching criminal justice course online and in the classroom. In 2009, he

developed a course at the graduate level in Executive Protection, and has developed and taught two additional graduate courses. In 2011, he began to teaching full time at Lincoln College of New England in the Criminal Justice program with responsibilities that include academic advising for undergraduate students.

Fun Fact: William water skied across Long Island Sound from Old Saybrook, CT to Greenport, NY in high school.

Name: Angelina Petonito

Degree(s): BS in Dental Hygiene Education and AS in Dental Hygiene, University of Bridgeport

License/Certification(s): Registered Dental Hygienist

Position: Clinical Instructor, Dental Studies

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Biography: Angie has been employed at Lincoln College since 2012. She is a member of The American Dental Hygiene Association and Sigma Phi Alpha, Dental Hygiene Honor Society. She is currently the President of the Omicron Delta chapter for Lincoln College. She has been teaching for most of her professional career as a clinical Dental Hygiene Instructor holding positions at several institutions of higher education. She is married and has two adult daughters.

Fun Fact: Her husband owns an Italian Pastry Shop.

Name: Carin Tripodina

Degree(s): EdD in Educational Leadership, University of Hartford; MS in Nursing, Patient Care Services and Administration, UCONN; BSN, Saint Joseph College, AD in General Studies, Middlesex Community College

License/Certification(s): RN, Certified Pediatric Nurse, Certified Nurse Educator

Position: Academic Program Chair, Nursing

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Biography: Dr. Tripodina started her nursing career in the Neonatal ICU, and after several years wanted to learn more so took on the challenge of the Pediatric ICU. She transitioned to teaching based the recommendation of one her mentors and has been teaching in many roles in higher education for the last 10 years. She has taught undergraduate, graduate, and RN to BSN students, and always loves to see students learn and grow in the classroom. Dr. Tripodina lives in Portland with her husband Ray, and four rescue dogs Milo, Jake, Jesse and Lucy. She has two kids, Leah and Patrick (soon to be married to Andrea), and a step-son Brian.

Fun Fact: As a child Dr. Tripodina spent hours building jigsaw puzzles with her grandfather Harley. To this day she loves jigsaw puzzles and in 2009 took on the challenge of building a 25,000 piece jigsaw puzzle.

Name: Paul Warren

Degree(s): PhD in Psychology, Walden University; MA in Counseling and Psychotherapy, Goddard College; BS in Psychology and AS in Embalming and Funeral Directing, New England Institute of Anatomy, Sanitary Science, Embalming and Funeral Directing

License/Certification(s): LEFD



Position: Academic Program Director, Mortuary Science and Funeral Service Management

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Biography: Paul is a retired State Connecticut police officer, Chief Medical Examiner's Office forensic technician, licensed embalmer, and Funeral Director.

Fun Fact: Currently lives with his best friend, Morticia Warren.