



Integrating Liberal Arts,
Professional Studies, and
Civic Responsibility

News and Notes

Summer 2016

NAC&U to Hold Digital Scholarship Workshop This Fall

New digitally-enabled methodologies such as curating, collaborating, manipulating and visualizing data, mapping, text analysis, crowdsourcing, etc., are changing the process of scholarship in the humanities and social sciences while making it feasible to design project-based learning experiences that integrate students into the research process, develop 21st century literacies, and scaffold student creativity.



The NAC&U Digital Scholarship Workshop at St. Edward's University from October 19-21 will bring together faculty and support staff who are interested in engaging undergraduate students in digital scholarships. Workshop participants will explore ways in which they can incorporate digital tools, methods, and modes of publication into their courses and research as well as discuss the potential of developing one or more cross-institutional collaborative projects.

If you are interested, please contact your institution's provost. For more information, please visit [our event page](#).

Thank you to everyone who joined us at the 2016 NAC&U Summer Institute at Manhattan College!

More than 125 administrators and faculty attended the three-day conference which included constituency group meetings, a faculty workload workshop, and tracked sessions on undergraduate research, civic engagement, and student affairs. **Thank you to our Manhattan College for going above and beyond to make sure this Summer Institute was a success!**

Check out [photos from the event](#).

[Review content](#) from the plenary sessions, faculty workshop and a few of the sessions.

[Photos and content are in Dropbox. You do not need an account to access them.]

[Watch videos from the plenary sessions](#) on our YouTube channel. The faculty workshop (from Friday afternoon) will be posted soon. Plus, see [a video previewing next year's Summer Institute](#) at Valparaiso University.

If you haven't shared your thoughts on this past Summer Institute, [please consider taking our short survey](#).

We'll see you next year in Indiana!



Lily McNair, Provost, Wagner College, and Denise Gregory, Director of Diversity and Intercultural Initiatives and Asst. Professor of Chemistry, Samford University

Welcome to New NAC&U Ambassadors!

The NAC&U Ambassador program began in 2014 based on faculty recommendations during the NAC&U Innovation Summit held in November 2013. Ambassadors work to develop connections between campuses and serve an important role on their own campuses as they work to inform faculty and students about what NAC&U can offer them.

As many ambassadors have served for two years, there were many new faces at last month's Summer Institute. Thank you to our outgoing ambassadors who did a wonderful job carving out this new role for NAC&U.

Please join us in welcoming our new ambassadors:

- David Schreiber, Chair of Entertainment Industry Studies, Belmont University
- Andrea Sell, Assistant Professor of Psychology, California Lutheran University
- Marie Bell, Assistant Professor of Nursing, Nazareth College
- Brad Wile, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, Ohio Northern University
- Kristin Plaehn, Senior Adviser to the President, Pacific Lutheran University
- Jennifer Pearce, Assistant Professor of Physics, Roger Williams University
- June Speakman, Professor of Political Science, Roger Williams University
- Kim Genovese, Associate Professor of Nursing, Valparaiso University
- Eileen Chanza Torres, Assistant Professor of English, Westminster College

Member News

Top News

[Sage President Susan C. Scrimshaw to Step Down in June 2017](#)

[Insights on Discussing Trauma and Violence: Media interviews with Hamline President Fayneese Miller and Hamline Faculty on Understanding and Healing from Violence](#)

Teaching and Learning

[Profile of Stephen Caliendo, North Central College's New Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences](#)

[Profile of Teri Varner, St. Edward's University Associate Professor of Communication and NAC&U Faculty Ambassador](#)

[Student Researchers Busy at Samford this Summer](#)

Research & Grants

[Westminster Receives \\$1 Million for First-Generation Student Scholarships](#)

[University of New Haven Receives Grant to Support Its New Nonprofit Institute to Connect Students, Faculty and Supporters with Local Nonprofits](#)

[Samford's School of Nursing Receives \\$2 Million Grant to Ease National Shortage of Nurse Educators](#)

[University of Evansville Professor Receives Grant to Support Student-Built Rocket](#)

Appointments

[Sage Names New Dean of Sage College of Albany](#)

[Former State Superintendent Joins Pacific Lutheran as Interim Dean of the School of Education and Kinesiology](#)

Awards, Honors & Recognition

MONEY magazine, a publication of Time, Inc., compiled a list of the 50 colleges that add the most value. [Manhattan College was ranked #3.](#)

[North Central College Named on the Chronicle of Higher Education's "Great Colleges to Work For" 2016 List](#)

[US News Ranks Multiple University of Scranton Programs Among Nation's Best](#)

[Nazareth Marketing and Communications Honored by CASE and PRSA](#)

Campus News

[Widener University Reaches Record Highs in National Student Satisfaction Survey](#)

[Cal Lutheran to Launch Nonprofit Center](#)

[Arcadia Provost Travels to China for Agreement Renewal with Jiangsu University](#)

[Tim Russert's 'Meet the Press' Set Unveiled at John Carroll](#)

Students & Alumni

[Manhattan Engineering Student Works to Improve Water Quality in Nearby Van Cortlandt Park](#)

[Belmont Senior Cast as Marquis de Lafayette/Thomas Jefferson in Chicago Production of Hamilton](#)

[Drury Student Awarded REU Grant](#)

[Ohio Northern Engineering Student Selected to Co-Facilitate at Global Entrepreneurship Summit](#)

Haley Van Bellingham's (2014 graduate of **Russell Sage College**) essay "Feminist Themes in Philip Roth's Goodbye, Columbus" has been accepted for publication in the peer-reviewed International Journal of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities. The paper was written in Dr. David A. Salomon's Jewish-American Literature course.

[University of La Verne Debate Team Takes on Yale at Politicon](#)

[Valparaiso University Student Receives Critical Language Scholarship](#)

[Hampton University Alumna, 73, Begins Her First Peace Corps Service](#)

Pop Culture

[Leaving Dory: Roger Williams University Marine Scientist Weighs In on Impact of Blockbuster Cartoon Franchise](#)

[Wagner Finance Alum is Secret Agent in "The Infiltrator"](#)

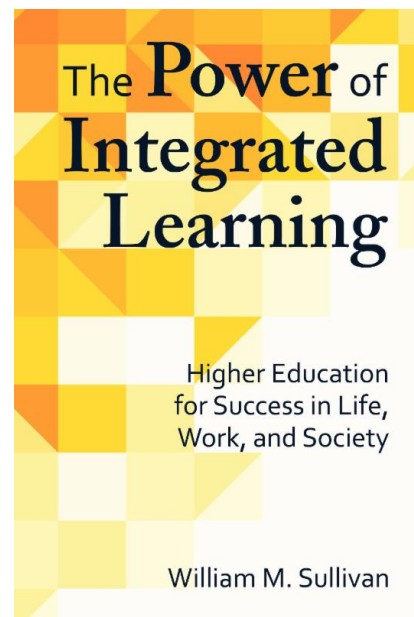
'The Power of Integrated Learning,' Details NAC&U Members' Unique Approach to Learning

In **"The Power of Integrated Learning,"** published by Stylus Publishing on July 1, 2016, author **William Sullivan** draws on examples from **NAC&U members** to make the case for an approach that combines the strengths of the liberal arts, professional studies, and civic responsibility in order to give students the combination of skills and experience that will prepare them for success in all aspects of life after graduation.

"As I conducted research for the book, I found that these campuses, although geographically and otherwise diverse, placed significant value on programs and learning practices that fostered growth in both critical and analytical skills found in liberal arts education while allowing students to explore real-world preparation in their chosen fields," said Sullivan.

"Perhaps most importantly, this model was delivered in a way that emphasized civic engagement and finding one's place in society."

"The Power of Integrated Learning: Higher Education for Success in Life, Work, and Society" will be available in paperback for \$25 and as an e-book formats for \$19.99. It is available for order on the Stylus Publishing website [at this link](#).



The New American Colleges & Universities

Arcadia University Belmont University
California Lutheran University Drury University
Hamline University Hampton University
John Carroll University Manhattan College Nazareth College
North Central College Ohio Northern University
Pacific Lutheran University Roger Williams University
St. Edward's University Samford University The Sage Colleges
The University of Scranton University of Evansville
University of La Verne University of New Haven
Valparaiso University Wagner College
Westminster College Widener University

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