

FULL-TIME FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATORS

Full-time teaching faculty are those persons with a full-time contract whose principal employer is Trinity and who hold faculty status. They are involved in daily campus life. In the case of teaching faculty, they have completed the regular, full interview process or, in some cases, may serve by appointment of the dean. The date that follows the listing of each faculty member indicates the beginning year of service at Trinity.

Paul Bialek, 1995

Professor of Mathematics

BS, MS, PhD, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Dr. Bialek serves as chair of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science. For his research, he translates works of the Swiss mathematician Leonhard Euler from Latin to English. Besides Latin, Dr. Bialek has studied Spanish, biblical Greek, biblical Hebrew, Chinese, and French. He serves on the editorial board of *Convergence*, a journal about the history of mathematics published by the Mathematical Association of America. He has coauthored articles in *Convergence*, *Transactions of the American Mathematical Society*, *International Mathematics Research Notices*, and *Canadian Mathematical Society Conference Proceedings*. Dr. Bialek is a member of the Mathematical Association of America, the Association of Christians in the Mathematical Sciences, the National Association of Parliamentarians, the Euler Society, and the Associated Colleges of the Chicago Area, for which he served as Co-Chair of the Mathematics Division in 2018-19. Since 2001, he has graded AP Calculus exams for the College Board. Prior to coming to Trinity, Dr. Bialek taught as a visiting assistant professor of mathematics at Westmont College in Santa Barbara, California. He also served as a mathematics instructor at the College of Wooster in Ohio and as a teaching assistant at the University of Illinois.

Gregory C. Carlson, 2007

Professor of Leadership

Director of Church Relations

BA, Grace University (Omaha)

MACE, Biola University Talbot School of Theology

PhD, University of Nebraska, Lincoln

Prior to coming to Trinity, Dr. Carlson served as a pastor; dean of graduate studies and Christian education professor at Grace University (Omaha, NE); and global training director for Awana Clubs International. Since coming to Trinity, he has served in various roles including the academic director of the Emerging Leaders program; faculty mentor for the Advance BA/MDiv program; Associate Dean for Leadership Studies; and Director of the Biblical, Religious & Philosophical Studies Division, where he was a tenured faculty member in Christian ministries. Areas of research and teaching interest include leadership, teaching the Bible, educational ministry, and family ministry. He has authored and edited a variety of books including *Understanding Teaching; Creatively Prompting Biblical Life-Change* (Evangelical Training Association) and *Rock Solid Teacher; Discover the Joy of Teaching Like Jesus* (Bethany). Dr. Carlson is an associate instructor with Walk Thru the Bible Ministries and often speaks in ministry and leadership settings.

Susie M. Cohen, 2020

Assistant Professor of Education

BS, Miami Christian College

MA, St. Thomas University

PhD, Florida International University

Dr. Cohen teaches STEM-related courses in the education department at TIU-Florida. Her previous experiences in education include teaching at the college level as well as serving in elementary/middle school. She has also functioned in administrative roles such as lead teacher, department head, and science coordinator in both public and Christian school settings. Dr. Cohen's doctoral research focused on the underrepresentation of women in STEM-related fields. Her work focuses on familial occupations and early STEM experiences and the relationship to STEM identity and career intentions. She also serves as the Assistant Dean at TIU-Florida.

Susan Corapi, 2015

Associate Professor of Education

BA, Wheaton College

MA, Denver Seminary

DipCS, Regent College (Vancouver)

MLS, Texas Woman's University

PhD, University of Arizona

Dr. Susan Corapi teaches literacy classes in the Division of Education. Her work is influenced by the years she spent teaching K-12 students in public and private schools, her experience as a youth services librarian in a public library, the networking she did to generate community support for literacy development, and the international perspectives she gained while living in four countries on three continents. Her research interests center around the use of global children's and adolescent literature to support the development of intercultural competence. She is also interested in teacher study groups as a form of professional development. Susan is the Director of the Division of Education.

Chris L. Firestone, 1999

Professor of Philosophy

BA, BS, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

MA, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

PhD, University of Edinburgh

Dr. Firestone came to Trinity with experience in teaching and research in Hong Kong and Scotland. At Trinity, he has worked at developing the annual "Trinity Debates" through the Henry Center for Theological Understanding and at leading short-term outreach trips to Eastern Europe. His most recent books are *Kant and the Question of Theology*, co-edited with Nathan Jacobs and James Joiner (Cambridge University Press, 2016), *Persistence of the Sacred in Modern Thought*, co-edited with Nathan Jacobs (Notre Dame Press, 2012), *Kant and the Theology at the Boundaries of Reason* (Ashgate Publications Ltd., 2012) and *In Defense of Kant's Religion*, coauthored with Nathan Jacobs (Indiana University Press, 2008). In 2012, "Choice" selected *Persistence of the Sacred* as an "Outstanding Academic Title." In 2009, the American Philosophical Association nominated *In Defense of Kant's Religion* for "Book of the Year" and the American Academy of Religion nominated it for its prestigious "Textual Analysis Prize." Dr. Firestone was the winner of Trinity College's inaugural Regent's Prize for Teaching and Scholarship in 2007 and received the award again in 2018. He is a former member of the Executive Board of the Evangelical Philosophical Society, and a regular member/attender of the Society of Christian Philosophers, the American Philosophical Association, and the American Academy of

Religion. Recent projects include teaching at the 360 Summer Leadership Institute and paper presentations for the AAR and EPS.

Bradley J. Gundlach, 1999
Distinguished Professor of History

AB, Princeton University
MA, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
MA, PhD, University of Rochester

Dr. Gundlach specializes in American intellectual, cultural, and religious history and also enjoys teaching broadly in European and world civilization, the philosophy and methods of history, and church history.

In recent years he has taken Trinity College students to Europe for the Western Cultural Heritage class and taught Reformation History and Theology for the Ambex program in Germany. He serves on the planning committee for the Evangelical Theological Society's section on Christian History and Thought since 1700. Dr. Gundlach is the author of *Process and Providence: The Evolution Question at Princeton, 1845-1929* as well as numerous articles, essays, and book reviews. He is currently at work on a biography of Princeton theologian B.B. Warfield.

Joshua R. Held, 2015
Associate Professor of English

BA, Trinity International University
MA, PhD, Indiana University

Dr. Held teaches all periods of British and American literatures, and his scholarship centers on early modern England, especially Shakespeare and Milton. His first book, *Bold Conscience: Luther to Shakespeare to Milton*, is forthcoming from the University of Alabama Press. He has published articles in *Milton Quarterly*, *Shakespeare Studies*, *Studies in Philology*, *Modern Philology*, and many other journals. He is currently at work on a book regarding Shakespeare, textuality, critical race theory, and gender theory.

Chrystal Ho Pao, 2006

Professor of Biology
BA, University of California Berkeley
PhD, Harvard University

Dr. Ho Pao worked at Genentech Inc., a biotechnology company, as an intern, and researched the efficiency of producing human proteins in animal cells. Her graduate research involved constructing mouse models of two human diseases with the techniques of genetic engineering. She also participated in a project locating a human gene pertinent for proper bone development. As a postdoctoral research fellow, she investigated molecular cues specifying the precise neuronal connections between the eyes and the brain in experimental subjects including mice and ferrets. She has published articles in scientific journals including *Science*, *Nature Genetics*, *Journal of Clinical Investigation*, *Journal of Neuroscience*, *Journal of Neurobiology*, *Journal of Cellular Physiology*, *Brain Research Bulletin*, *NeuroReport*, and *Journal of Neuroscience Research*. Dr. Ho Pao's publication record attests to the broad spectrum of her technical skills in human genetics and molecular biology.

Kristin Lindholm, 1994

Professor of Communication
BA, MA, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
MA, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
PhD, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Dr. Lindholm teaches how human communication occurs in a variety of contexts. She specializes in how people communicate about health-related concerns in interpersonal and organizational settings. Dr. Lindholm has coauthored several papers and book chapters, and she has received four awards for her achievements in education. She is a member of the National Communication Association.

Eugene B. Loftin, 2016
Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice

BA, Trinity International University
JD, Marquette Law School

Eugene B. Loftin returns to Trinity International University where he received his undergraduate degree in psychology in 2006. His experiences at Trinity prepared him well for law school at Marquette Law School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. After completing law school, Mr. Loftin practiced trial law with a focus on indigent criminal defense. While in private practice, he also taught in the areas of criminal law and criminal justice at a Christian college in Wisconsin before joining the Trinity International University faculty. His research interests include evidence-based faith programs for decreasing recidivism and scholarly reflection on the relationship between Christian social justice movements and criminal justice reform in the United States.

Craig M. Long¹, 2017
Associate Dean of the Waupun Correctional Extension Site
Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies

BA, Oklahoma Baptist
MDiv, Southwestern Baptist Seminary
PhD, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

Before Trinity, Dr. Long served as a pastor (15 years). Areas of research and teaching interest include Greek grammar, biblical studies, and biblical theology. Dr. Long is the Associate Dean for the Waupun Extension Site and teaches biblical studies courses at that site.

Wendy L. Martin, 2006
Wesley Anderson Chair of Business
Professor of Business
 BS, University of Colorado
 MBA, University of Michigan
 PhD, University of Illinois at Chicago

Before beginning her career in teaching, Dr. Martin enjoyed a career in consumer goods marketing management at Procter & Gamble and Schering-Plough Healthcare Products. She joined Trinity after teaching for twelve years at another Christian college. Her primary research interest focuses on marketing for ministries, while her additional research efforts on intergenerational family businesses have yielded several awards, including best papers and the designation as a Family Business Research Scholar.

Catherine M. Pecoraro, 2008
Assistant Professor of Chemistry

BS, Purdue University
 MA, Trinity International University
 PhD, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Dr. Pecoraro teaches in all areas of chemistry, with a research emphasis in biochemistry. Her graduate research involved using microbial systems to express the cytochrome oxidase gene and study the structure-function relationship of various site-directed mutations of the purified protein. Her post-doctoral research focused on the nutritional biochemical pathways in *maize* (corn) by studying the enzyme kinetics of the first step in tryptophan biosynthesis. She has published articles in the scientific journals *Biochemistry* and *Archives of Biochemistry and Biophysics*.

Jeffrey Price, 2004
Clinical Associate Professor of Business
 BA, DePauw University
 MBA, University of Michigan

Prior to coming to Trinity, Jeff held a variety of marketing and promotion positions during his 13 years at Kraft Foods. He managed Sports and Entertainment Marketing including Kraft's Olympics sponsorship. He joined Frankel & Co., a marketing agency, as Vice President of Strategic Planning, and also led Frankel's Sports Marketing and Entertainment Marketing groups. He left Frankel to become a consultant in strategic planning. His clients include Ameritrade, Nutrisweet/Benevia, Miller, Kraft, and numerous advertising and promotion agencies. At Christ Church, Lake Forest, he has worked on strategic planning, marketing, and capital campaigns. He also plays piano and guitar on the worship team.

Timothy M. Robinson, 1988
Associate Professor of Psychology
 BS, Western Michigan University
 MA, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
 MA, EdD, Western Michigan University

Dr. Robinson is a licensed clinical psychologist and a charter member of the American Association of Christian Counselors. He has a keen interest in the integration of psychology and Christianity and in assisting individuals to enrich their relationships and reduce their stress. He has served as the chair of the Psychology Department for over 20 years.

Martha Lim Shin, 2013
Associate Professor of Accounting
 BS, University of Florida
 MAS, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
 MBA, University of Chicago Booth School of Business

Prior to coming to Trinity, Shin spent nearly 20 years in management at the Wrigley Company, a subsidiary of Mars Inc., and PepsiCo, and practiced as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) at KPMG, LLC. She also co-founded a non-profit organization that mobilized Christian professionals and channeled resources from U.S. corporations to support missionaries in developing countries. Her research interest includes cultural impact on motivation for work. Her passion is to invest in the students to pursue human flourishing through redemptive work in the marketplace.

Aaron C. Smith, 2013
Clinical Assistant Professor of Health Science
 BS, Aurora University
 MS, University of Illinois at Chicago

Prior to becoming full-time faculty at TIU, Professor Smith taught a variety of exercise science courses at University of Illinois Chicago, TIU, and Aurora University. He earned his master's degree at the University of Illinois Chicago in Applied Exercise Physiology and researched the effects of various exercise tests as means to predict endurance performance in male and female cyclists. He has also worked as a performance coach with athletes at Velocity Sports Performance and as a Body Geometry FIT Specialist for cyclists. His research interests include high-intensity interval training, resistance training for runners, and the biomechanical comparison of barefoot and shod running. Sports, health, and wellness play a major role in people's lives, and Professor Smith feels it is crucial to train up strong Christians with the tools to guide and mentor others in these areas so they can be their best and honor God.

Adina Stanculescu, 2019

Assistant Professor of Biology

BS, PhD, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Dr. Stanculescu has a background in biopharmaceutical sciences. Her pre and post- doctoral research focused on understanding cellular mechanisms of resistance to cancer therapy. Pathways that were explored included those involved in apoptosis, inflammation, and endocrine hormone signaling. The culmination of that work identified potential biomarkers as early predictors of tumor response to therapy.

Her results have been published in a variety of journals and have been shared at national conferences. She has also researched the medicinal properties of botanicals that were traditionally used in the treatment of gastrointestinal disorders (published as A. Stoia). Dr. Stanculescu enjoys traveling with her family and reading scientific and biblical literature.

Karen A. Wrobbel¹, 2003

Dean, Trinity College and Trinity Graduate School

Susan B. Stover Chair for Leadership in Christian Higher Education

Professor of Education

BA, Biola University

MA, Wheaton Graduate School

EdD, University of Minnesota

Dr. Wrobbel brings many years of experience to the dean's role, having served at Trinity as a teaching faculty member and as a recognized leader on the campus through roles including director of the Division of Education, Associate Dean, and chair of faculty councils, committees, and task forces. Before joining Trinity, Wrobbel taught missionary kids (MKs) and other international students in Christian schools in Spain and Venezuela; she speaks Spanish fluently. Dr. Wrobbel continues to be actively involved internationally with Christian education through conference speaking, accreditation work, and as a volunteer with two education-focused international groups. Her expertise and research interests include the education of MKs and other global nomads, languages and education, and intercultural communication. She recently completed a book, *The Globally Mobile Family's Guide to Educating Children Overseas*, that combines her personal and professional experience with research to create a guide for expatriate families. Dr. Wrobbel's articles have appeared in several publications, including *Missiology*, *Evangelical Missions Quarterly*, and *Christian School Education*.

¹ Administrators with faculty status.