



Plattsburgh UUP Newsletter: Special 2023 Election Edition

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Information on Elections

Chapter elections take place every two years.

Those elected in this cycle will serve for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 years.

The election ballots are due back to UUP by April 21st.

Positions at the chapter level include President, Vice President for Academics, Vice President for Professionals, Officer for Contingents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, an Officer for Retirees, and at-large academic and professional members. This encompasses the basic chapter officer corps.

Chapter delegates are also elected during this time. Delegates support not only chapter activities but also represent the chapter at the statewide level.

Candidate Bios:

Running for Chapter President: Michelle Toth

Associate Librarian

0306A Feinberg

Has served as an academic delegate, chapter treasurer, and membership officer. Currently serving as chapter president. While I have been active with UUP over the years, serving as chapter president this past year has been a significant learning experience. I hope to continue to serve, to learn, and to use that knowledge to effectively bring members' concerns to management, advocate for equitable and fair treatment for our members, and help to ensure our members take advantage of the rights, benefits, and protections the union fights for and offers.

Running for Vice President for Academics: Shawna Mefferd Kelty and Terrence Vance

- Shawna Mefferd Kelty

- Associate Professor/Chair in Theater
- 0124B Myers Fine Arts

- Terrence Vance

- Associate Professor in Exercise and Nutrition Science
- 0403G Sibley Hall
- Terrence Vance is an Associate Professor in the Department of Exercise and Nutrition Sciences and has been a faculty member since 2016. During this time he has been a member of UUP as well as the faculty senate and writing across the curriculum committee, and was the inaugural chair of the student life committee. He is currently chair of the academic policies committee, a member of the President's Campus, Community, and Safety Advisory Committee, and an Advisory Board member for the Center for Teaching Excellence. Terrence also maintains an active research agenda, and has published over 30 peer-reviewed journal articles. He is passionate about ensuring that UUP members on campus are heard and treated fairly and that members are informed of the policies and procedures in place to protect their interests.

Running for Vice President for Professionals: Gerianne Downs (write-in)

Associate Director of Communications

151 Hawkins Hall

Running for Secretary: Wanda Carroll

Lecturer in Supply Chain Management and Int Bus

0323 Au Sable Hall

Wanda Haby Carroll is a Lecturer in the Supply Chain Management and International Business Department in the School of Business and Economics.

She earned her first degree in Opera Performance and Piano, completing tours and recordings while living in Germany for 5 years. She then moved to Texas earning a BS in Occupational Education and Criminal Justice and graduated from the San Antonio Law Enforcement Academy. Wanda went on to earn her master's in Management and Human Services from Wayland Baptist University and continued with her Doctorate in Organizational Leadership from the University of the Incarnate Word, ABD.

Before becoming a full-time Lecturer, she was a recipient of the 2017 Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Adjunct Teaching. Wanda received the SUNY exemplary Online Educator award for SUNY Plattsburgh in 2021.

Her professional background includes labor relations positions in manufacturing, serving on the Texas Dept of Labor Board as the Committee Chairperson for Production Workers, and actively held roles on a regional and national Human Resources Council. She brings a deep commitment to the principles of academic freedom, grassroots, and advocacy.

Wanda is a regular attendee of the chapter mixers, and meetings, and assisted in the recent rewriting and editing of the UUP by-laws.

Running for Treasurer: Sandra Rezac

Associate Professor/Chair of Sociology

0134 Redcay Hall

I'm an Associate Professor and Chair of the Sociology Department. Much of my service on campus has been in the area of shared governance. I have served as Faculty Senate Chair, Supervisor of Elections, University Faculty Senator, and as a member of several local and SUNY-wide senate committees. I also co-chaired our recent Middle States self-study, which led to a successful reaffirmation of accreditation. I'm currently the Presiding Officer of the Faculty at Plattsburgh and the Convener of the Campus Governance Leaders at the SUNY University Faculty Senate. While this is my first time running for a UUP office, union activism is in my blood! I can remember standing on a picket line as a young child as my father's union went on strike to secure a fair contract. I also remember regularly attending family events sponsored by the union. Being part of an active union was simply part of my life growing up, and this has continued throughout my adult career.

Running for Officer for Contingents: Sarah Hackett (write-in)

Lecturer/Program Leader in Teacher Education, Grad MST Program

0220A Sibley Hall

Running for Officer for Retirees: Raymond Guydosh

Faculty Emeriti

Ray Guydosh has been active in UUP for four decades, twice serving as Plattsburgh Chapter VP for Academics, and for much of the time on the Plattsburgh Chapter Executive Board and as a delegate to the state UUP Delegate Assembly representing the Plattsburgh Chapter. At the statewide level he has served as chair of the State UUP Audit and Compliance Committee, as a member of the Credentials Committee, and as a long-time member of the Finance Committee. He would be honored to continue serving UUP and the Plattsburgh Chapter.

Running for Professional At-Large Chapter Executive Board Member: Erin Campbell (write-in)

Associate in Institutional Effectiveness

0314 Kehoe

I've been at Plattsburgh since 2016 in various positions. Currently, I am in the Office of Institutional Effectiveness and have been for almost ten years. Of note, the Office of Institutional Effectiveness is a department of two people - myself and the director. As we are about to hire our third director in this time period, I have provided stability and continuity to the office during these transitions. I also was Vice President for Professionals of the UUP Plattsburgh chapter from 2019 to 2021.

Running for Academic At-Large Chapter Executive Board Members: Wanda Carroll and Daniel Gordon

- **Daniel Gordon**
 - o Professor in Music
 - o 0229 Myers Fine Arts
- **Wanda Carroll**
 - o Lecturer in Supply Chain Management and Int Bus
 - o 0323 Au Sable Hall
 - o See bio in Secretary

Academic Delegates

- **Joshua Beatty**
 - o Associate Librarian/Chair
 - o 0306B Feinberg
- **Wanda Carroll**
 - o Lecturer in Supply Chain Management and Int Bus
 - o 0323 Au Sable Hall
 - o See bio in Secretary

- **David Curry**
 - Faculty Emeriti
 - Greetings fellow Plattsburgh UUP members! I am a retiree from the nursing department, and I am putting my name forward as an academic delegate candidate. For those who don't know me, I was previously chapter president for six years, and also on the statewide executive board of UUP for six years. I am currently the cochair of the Academic Medical Programs Committee, and in that capacity will continue to serve UUP at the statewide level. You have a strong slate of candidates for Academic delegate to represent SUNY Plattsburgh, so I will not be disappointed if you choose active members rather than a Retiree to represent you. I am happy to be an alternate delegate should the need arise.
- **Cody Dulaney**
 - Assistant Professor in Exercise and Nutrition Science
 - 0403H Sibley Hall
 - Cody Dulaney is currently in his second-semester teaching within the Fitness and Wellness Leadership major in the Exercise and Nutrition Science Department. He came from Cleveland, where he was completing a postdoctoral position with the Cole Eye Institute after finishing a PhD in Exercise Physiology. His academic interests include exercise in greenspace, the effects of mindfulness, and fitness programming for ultra-distance athletes. His personal interests include; all things human locomotive, being a steward of our greenspace through garbage picking, and continually broadening his knowledge and skillset.
- **Oscar Flores**
 - Lecturer in Modern Languages and Cultures
 - 0311 Champlain Valley Hall
- **Daniel Gordon**
 - Professor in Music
 - 0229 Myers Fine Arts
- **Wendy Gordon**
 - Professor in History
 - 0220 Champlain Valley Hall
- **Raymond Gydosh**
 - Faculty Emeriti
 - See bio in Officer for Retirees
- **Walter Kim Hartshorn**
 - Faculty Emeriti
- **Gary Kroll**
 - Professor in History
 - 0323 Champlain Valley Hall
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- **Donald Maier**
 - o Associate Professor/Chair of Philosophy
 - o 0305 Champlain Valley Hall
- **Shawna Mefferd Kelty**
 - o Associate Professor/Chair of Theater
 - o 0124B Myers Fine Arts
- **Terrence Vance**
 - o Associate Professor in Exercise and Nutrition Science
 - o 0403G Sibley Hall
 - o See bio in VP for Academics

Professional Delegates

- **Gerianne Downs**
 - o Associate Director of Communications
 - o 151 Hawkins Hall
- **Arlis Garcia**
 - o EOP Counselor
 - o 0029 Macomb Hall
- **John Locke**
 - o Coordinator of Technology Enhanced Learning in ITS
 - o 0303 Feinberg
 - o Dr. John Locke is a Navy veteran who served from 1980 to 1986 before starting a career in the civilian sector in graphic design and commercial illustration. Having completed his BA in Computer Graphic Design at SUNY Empire State College in 1994, he quickly rose to the rank of art director and then creative director before returning to Empire State to complete a Masters in Liberal Studies in 2003. Locke's career path took a gradual turn from the commercial to the academic realm, first as a part-time mentor at Empire State College, then as adjunct lecturer at Keuka College in central New York. He was hired full time at Keuka, first as program coordinator for the Accelerated Studies for Adults BS in Business program, before accepting a position as Director of Distance Education and Instructional Design. In 2015, Locke took a position as Coordinator of Technology Enhanced Learning at SUNY Plattsburgh, while finishing a doctorate in Interdisciplinary Studies with a focus in Humanities and Culture at Union Institute and University in Cincinnati, Ohio. He successfully defended his dissertation, *Utopia Revisited* in 2018, which included researching, writing, and illustrating a 400-page historical novel of the same title. Locke is a Certified Equity Advocate, and sits on numerous committees at SUNY Plattsburgh, including chair of the Electronic and Information Technology Accessibility Committee, and member of the President's Campus, Community, and Safety Advisory

Committee, the President's Inclusive Excellence Council, the Center for Teaching Excellence Advisory Board, and as a member of the SUNY EIT Accessibility Advisory Group. In addition, he has been teaching as an adjunct lecturer for the Communication Studies department since 2016.

- **Amanda Suriel**

- International Student Assistant in the Global Education Office
- Kehoe

- **Deborah Zinser**

- Faculty Emeriti