



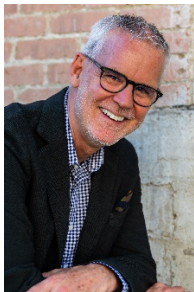
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Dear Colleagues and Students,

We are pleased to announce the appointment of three new Faculty-in-Residence (FiR) to begin their service July 1, 2021. The selection process was very competitive and we were excited to have received so many applications for these positions from a very talented pool of faculty. Each FiR family will reside in one of our [Residential Commons](#) and will work with the respective Residential Community Directors (RCD) and student leaders to enhance the educational experiences of their residents.



Carol Dickson-Carr is a professor of practice serving Dedman College, teaching economics and business writing courses, among others. Professor Dickson-Carr believes, “Every student has it in them to succeed in the academy *and* in life with the right support...and FUN! My family is SMU strong, and we are looking forward to serving the Virginia-Snyder Commons community to help continue the great work Ann Batenburg has accomplished.”



Jack Levison holds the W. J. A. Power Chair of Old Testament Interpretation and Biblical Hebrew in Perkins School of Theology. His spouse, Priscilla Pope-Levison, is associate dean for external programs and professor of ministerial studies at Perkins. “Heidi and David Son, who have cared for Boaz students for years, told us that our lives are about to change *dramatically*—a change we welcome wholeheartedly. With our two kids grown—both SMU grads—we are pleased to embark on the adventure of living tooth-to-jowl with undergraduates in Boaz Commons.”



Alberto Pastor is an associate professor of Spanish and General Linguistics in the Department of World Languages and Literatures in Dedman College. Professor Pastor expressed, “In my classes and personal life I try to serve as an advocate for multilingualism and multiculturalism in the society at large. My family and I are thrilled to continue the diversity values and traditions of MHPS Commons, and to be part and foster this community”.

We wish to thank Dr. Ann Batenburg, Dr. Liljana Elverskog, Dr. David Son and their families for their service as Faculty-in-Residence. We know that each of them made a lasting impact on the students in their respective Residential Commons.

We also extend our gratitude to the members of the FiR Search Committee for their efforts in assisting in this search and appointment process:

- Co-Chair - Dr. Sandra Duhé, Associate Professor and Chair, Director of Public Relations and Strategic Communication, Meadows School of the Arts; Faculty-in-Residence for Cockrell-McIntosh Commons, Residence Life & Student Housing
- Co-Chair - Dr. Dustin Grabsch, Director of Academic Initiatives, Residence Life & Student Housing;
- Willie Baronet, Professor, Creative Advertising, Meadows School of the Arts; Faculty-in-Residence for Armstrong Commons, Residence Life & Student Housing;
- Emily Kilburg, Residential Community Director for Crum Commons, Residence Life & Student Housing;
- Logan McElroy, Student Leader, Resident Assistant, Upper Division Housing; and
- Dr. Paige Ware, Associate Provost for Faculty Success, Office of the Provost.

Please join us in welcoming and congratulating Drs. Dickson-Carr, Levison, and Pastor as the newest Faculty-in-Residence. We look forward to their contributions to the residential and educational experiences of our students.

Sincerely,



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