ALKER-KELLY ANTOINE
Technology Manager

MR. ANTOINE joins the University College with 10 years as a higher education IT professional dedicated to high impact, quality-driven, student-centered exemplary service. Mr. Antoine is an accomplished IT Manager, and entrepreneur, with a unique career in interdivisional environments.

Prior to joining MSU, Mr. Antoine served as the founding Director of Academic Technology at the University of Bridgeport where he was at the helm of technology strategy, policies, and services that supported the University’s mission of teaching, learning, and research. Through strategic interdivisional leadership, and collaborative efforts, Mr. Antoine successfully led ATS where he oversaw Instructional Technology Services, Technology Training Services, AV/Media Services, the central IT service desk, and provided exemplary leadership and service to all constituents. While at the University of Bridgeport, Alker also provided leadership in a variety of other capacities including serving as the founding head of Web and Digital Communications and WebMaster. Mr. Antoine was also responsible for assisting with institutional research data collection, archiving, and reporting, and provided strategic guidance to the University’s retention steering committee. Before joining UB, Mr. Antoine served as the WebMaster for Kean University and provided executive leadership a variety of entrepreneurial ventures.

In his current role at the University College as Technology Manager, Mr. Antoine is responsible for the applications used by University College in support of student success and for reporting and analyzing actionable data that measures the success of University College programs and University College Students.

KATE CLAWSON
Academic Advisor, University College
B.A. Muhlenberg College
M.S.Ed. DePaul University

MS. CLAWSON joins the University College advising team with experience across several student service areas, including academic advising, career counseling, and academic support coordination in graduate assistant and internship roles at Northwestern University and DePaul University, respectively. Ms. Clawson also brings experience advising NCAA Division I student athletes, which contributes to the diverse spectrum of special population advising experience within the University College team. Ms. Clawson has been recognized for her development of effective student workshops and presentations in the areas of values assessment, student athlete identity, and career exploration and planning.
AMANDA AVCI COSENZA
Academic Program Coordinator, University College
B.A. Monmouth University
M.S. Monmouth University

MS. COSENZA joins the Academic Program Coordinator team within University College, which will be responsible for developing and implementing exploratory academic opportunities for pre-major students. Ms. Cosenza brings experience providing programming and support services to specialized populations such as transfer and pre-major students in admissions and advising roles. In her prior role as a Student Success Advisor for transfer students at The New School, Ms. Cosenza was responsible for coordinating the first honor society for transfer students, which involved high level coordination with many partners across the campus community.

DAPHNE GALKIN
Assistant Dean for Academic Programming, University College
B.A. SUNY Albany
M.A. New York University
Ed.D. Manhattanville College

DR. GALKIN joins the University College leadership team with over fifteen years experience in higher education, including academic advising, student affairs, strategic planning, and compliance. In her prior role as Dean of Academic Services at The College of Westchester in White Plains, NY, Dr. Galkin provided leadership to several areas including counseling, student activities, disability services, conduct, and academic advising, in addition to serving as Title IX Coordinator and Work Group Leader for the Support of the Student Experience standard during her institution's Middle States reaccreditation process. In her current role within University College, Dr. Galkin leads the Academic Program Coordinator team in developing and implementing exploratory programs and experiences for pre-major students to learn about the many academic opportunities available to them at Montclair State University.
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DAVID S. HOOD
Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education and the Founding Dean of University College
B.S.  Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University
M.Ed.  Tennessee State University
Ed. D.  Tennessee State University

DR. HOOD joins us from North Carolina Central University, where he served as Dean of University College. In his role, he was responsible for the university’s academic advising, academic support services, and academic counseling for first and second year students, the First Year Experience Course, Student Support Services, testing services and the university’s summer bridge initiative and Living Learning Community (Aspiring Eagles Academy) and programs for special populations (MAR Pilot and Student Support Services). He ensured students were provided quality, comprehensive experiences that enhances learning, academic success and ultimately retention.

Prior to joining North Carolina Central University, Dr. Hood served as the Director of the Center for Undergraduate Studies at Virginia Union University. He has also held faculty and administrative appointments at Drake State Technical College, Elizabeth City State University, Tennessee State University, and Central Michigan University.

His research interests include retention, leadership styles, school leadership, college access, and advising structures. Hood finds time to remain active in academic and scholarly endeavors. He has published numerous papers and presented at dozens of national conferences and meetings. Over his career, he has secured over $7 million dollars to support student success initiatives.

DANIELLE INSALACO-EGAN
Associate Dean for Academic Planning and Enrollment, University College
B.A.  Hofstra University
M.A.  New York University
Ph.D.  New York University

DR. INSALACO-EGAN joins University College with leadership experience at community colleges and a large research university. For nearly twenty-five years she has focused her efforts on improving the undergraduate and graduate student experience through high-impact practices. Most recently, she was Assistant Dean of Student Support at Guttman Community College, a new campus of the City University of New York, where she led a high-touch academic advising program, designed a first-year seminar that was integrated into the college’s first-year learning communities, and oversaw a variety of academic momentum initiatives.

Dr. Insalaco-Egan secured Guttman’s first Title V grant as well as other funding totaling $2.3 million, to provide support for an IPASS initiative at scale, enhanced academic support and mentoring programs, and faculty and staff development to improve curriculum in the first year and in the major. Her upcoming publications on technology-mediated advisement, high-impact sophomore initiatives, and transfer planning provide case studies of her approach to student success. Prior to CUNY, Dr. Insalaco-Egan served in several leadership roles at New York University, including NYU Law School and the Gallatin School of Individualized Study. At University College Dr. Insalaco-Egan will oversee academic advising, major exploration, and retention, and will devote her attention to developing collaborative relationships with campus departments to ensure smooth transitions for students into their chosen major.
ROBERT SERRANI  
Academic Program Coordinator, University College  
B.A. Montclair State University  
M.A. Montclair State University  

MR. SERRANI joins the University College Academic Program Coordinator team with an understanding of Montclair State from both a student and administrative perspective, which will be essential in his role coordinating academic programming for the pre-major student population. Working as a graduate assistant in the Office of Commuter Life and on Team Rocky within the Office of Student Communications afforded Mr. Serrani extensive experience in event planning and coordination, as well as his considerable involvement in student organizations on campus. Mr. Serrani has been recognized as the creative force behind Rocky the Red Hawk’s Birthday Party, which was a college-wide success.

GIANCARLO JERONIMO VALCARCEL  
Academic Program Coordinator, University College  
B.A. SUNY Buffalo State  
M.S. SUNY Buffalo State  

MR. VALCARCEL joins the new University College as an Academic Program Coordinator. As part of a team of three, Mr. Valcarcel will help develop, coordinate, and implement academic programs designed to help pre-major students explore the many academic opportunities available to them at Montclair State University. Mr. Valcarcel brings several years programming experience from his roles in Residence Life and New Student Orientations within the SUNY system, where he was recognized for his innovative leadership programs and ability to effectively engage with diverse student populations.