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## **Candidate Statements for President, President-elect, Secretary, and Librarian**

Dustin Anderson

Dustin Anderson is Associate Professor & Graduate Program Director for the MA in English, and associate faculty for The Center for Irish Research and Teaching. His research and teaching crosses developments in literatures and cognitive philosophy, with an emphasis on how the writings of transnational modernists complicate received discourses on cognition and memory. His scholarly work has recently appeared in *Popular Modernism and Its Legacies*; *Understanding Bergson, Understanding Modernism*; and *Samuel Beckett Today/Aujourd'hui*. He has recently directed the 13th International F. Scott Fitzgerald Conference, the Cormac McCarthy Society Conference, and is a regular organizer for the British Commonwealth and Postcolonial Studies Conference. He has recently served as the CLASS representative for the Faculty Research Committee; chaired the Graduate Committee since 2015; and received the CLASS Award of Distinction in Service in 2016, and Teaching in 2017.

Helen Bland

Helen W. Bland, I, began my academic career as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Health and Kinesiology at Georgia Southern University in 1995 (we will still teaching in quarters rather than semesters!). My academic training is a B.S. and M.S. in Food and Nutrition Science, and a PhD in Community Health Education from SIUC. I am a Full Professor in the Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health. My passion is teaching ~ I currently teach Undergraduate Research Methods courses, Intro to Global Health and a Money Matters Finance course. My particular area of research are in Maternal and Child Health, Physical Activity, and Stress among Young Adults. My research publications align with these interests. I make annual trips to Haiti and serve as a Medical Translator. I also work with Emory University PA and Medical Programs in the same capacity twice a year with Mobile Medical Trips to southeastern Georgia to serve farmworkers. I have served as a Senator for the College of Health and Human Sciences and now with JPH COPH. I have served as the Chair for the P&T Committee for our college, as well as a member of the P&T Committee for the past five years. I have a very strong love and commitment to Georgia Southern University as we continually grow and evolve (many, many changes since 1995). I am eternally optimistic. I am a strong advocate for faculty and believe we are the heart and soul of the institution. I believe with so many changes to navigate through, I can be a leader and a voice for the faculty.

Carol Jamison

Dr. Carol Jamison has been a faculty member at ASU since 1993. In the new GSU, she will hold dual appointments as a full professor in both the Department of Literature and in the Department of Writing and Linguistics. She specializes in medieval literature, medievalism, and linguistics. Her book *The Chivalric Code of Westeros* was released March, 2018 by McFarland Press. She has recently published articles in journals including *Studies in Philology*, *Studies in Medievalism*, *ADF/ADE Bulletin*, and *Studies in Medieval and Renaissance Teaching*. At Armstrong, her recent service includes the following committees: Faculty Senate, English Majors Committee (chair),

English Majors Assessment Committee, LLP Tenure and Promotion Guidelines Committee (ad hoc) and various ad hoc search committees at both the department, college, and university level.

Drew Keane

Drew N. Keane has taught in the Department of Writing and Linguistics at Georgia Southern University for seven years; he has been a lecturer in the department for three years. He teaches First Year Writing, First Year Experience, and has previously taught Modern and Ancient World Literature. He is currently serving as the TA Coordinator for the Department of Writing and Linguistics and serving a term on the Faculty Senate. He also does consulting work with the Georgia Southern Writing Project. His article "A Reconsideration of Confirmation in the Anglican Tradition" will be published this May in the Anglican Theological Review.

Meca Williams-Johnson

The uniqueness of Georgia Southern as a thriving regional institution has provided me with many opportunities to play an active role at all levels of service throughout the university. I take these roles seriously and generally pursue "high commitment - high workload" committees to learn more about the university and better support students. While serving on university committees, I am an active and dependable voice for faculty concerns. Towards that end, I will allow my record on the committees listed below to further illustrate my experience and why I am a viable candidate for Senate Librarian.

Faculty Governance 5-1 OWG (March 2017 – present)  
GSU Senate Executive Committee (August 2017-present)  
GSU Faculty Senate (August 2016- present)  
Early Career Psychologist, APA Division 15 Chair (August 2015 – present)  
University Honors Council and Faculty Advisor for COE (2008-present)  
College of Education Curriculum Committee, Chair (August 2014-May 2016)  
GSU Faculty Development Committee, Chair (August 2013-2014)  
College of Education Election Committee, Chair (August 2013 – August 2014)  
American Psychological Association Division 15 Program Chair, 2012

Hayden Wimmer

Hayden Wimmer is an Assistant Professor of Information Technology in the College of Engineering and Computing with a PhD, MS, MBA, and BS. He comes to academia with over a decade of industry experience in IT. He has multiple journal publications related to multi-agent systems, artificial intelligence, data science, and I.S. education; and serves in various editorial capacities including co-editor in chief, board member, and reviewer of various journals and conferences. He has taught courses such as programming, database management, project management, I.T. infrastructure, and healthcare informatics. His research is published in top journals such as Decision Support Systems (DSS), Expert Systems with Applications (ESwA), Journal of Computer Information Systems (JCIS), Computers and Geosciences, and Computers in Human Behavior. Additionally, his research has been funded for over \$300,000 with nearly \$200,000 from federal support and \$24,000 from industry sources. He currently is a member of faculty senate and chairs the university faculty service committee. Additionally, he serves on the research committee in CEC and assessment at the department level writing last year's SACS report.