



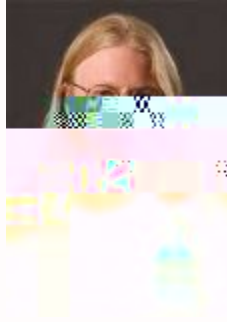
August 12, 2024

I hope that everyone had a chance to relax and be productive in the right mix for you over the past few months, and you are as excited as I am to return to our re-energized campuses.

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## Welcome to our TEAM!

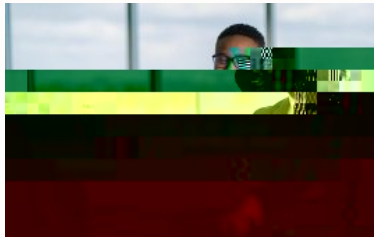


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Jeffery Aspelmeyer, Ph.D., has been appointed to serve as interim dean of the College of Humanities and Behavioral Sciences. This search took place over the summer and his duties began on Aug 1.

Dr. Aspelmeyer is a professor of psychology. His past experience leading a large academic department will be a benefit to the faculty and students of the college, as well as the entire Radford University community.

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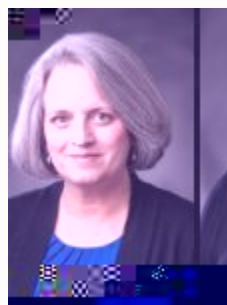


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Dr. Jerel Benton was welcomed over the summer to serve as Assistant Provost for Student Success. He hit the ground running with great ideas!

Dr. Benton will oversee the communities of the Highlander Success Center, University Libraries and Harvey Center/Tutoring as they all work together for student success.

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Dr. Wendy Downey, who has been serving as the interim dean of the College of Nursing, has

accepted the offer to become the full-time dean of the College of Nursing at Radford University. Wendy brings over 35 years of invaluable experience in healthcare, leadership and academia.

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Agida Manizade, Ph.D., professor of mathematics and statistics, has been appointed as the interim assistant provost for the Office of Graduate Affairs. Agida Manizade

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to share leadership that aligns with their discipline. If you would like to join us, please contact Jean Mistele, [jmistele@radford.edu](mailto:jmistele@radford.edu).

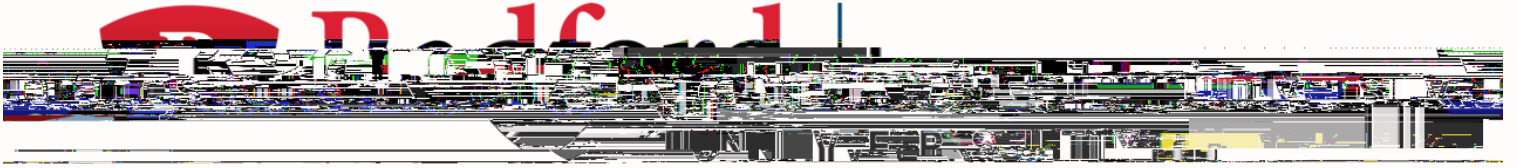
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