

# PEPPERDINE

## SEAVER COLLEGE

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Compiled with the latest news, deadlines, and events, the Summarium seeks to act as a resource to our community as we enter a new week.

### **Announcing Associate Dean Appointment**

Colleagues,

I am thrilled that Dr. Kindalee De Long has accepted my invitation to serve as the associate dean for student and faculty development at Seaver College in a three-year term beginning August 1, 2020.

A professor of religion, Kindy earned a bachelor of arts degree in English and a master's degree in divinity from Pepperdine University. She completed her PhD in theology from Notre Dame. Dr. De Long has held a tenure-line professorial appointment at Seaver College since 2007. Before beginning her current faculty appointment, Kindy worked as an account executive, held multiple staff positions at Pepperdine, including associate director of Corporate and Foundation Relations and as a writer for both the Provost's and Seaver Dean's Office, and she served as a visiting professor of religion at Seaver. While a member of the Seaver faculty, Kindy also served as the chair of the Committee on Women Faculty, the secretary-treasurer of the Seaver Faculty Association, and as coordinator of assessment for religion. Dr. De Long has served as interim associate dean for student and faculty development since May 1, 2018. An accomplished scholar, Dr. De Long has authored a book, *Surprised by God: Praise Responses in the Narrative of Luke - Acts*, several peer-reviewed articles and book chapters, and has several scholarly works in progress.

Dr. De Long's appointment was strongly supported by the search committee. Kindy's service as the interim associate dean was exceptional and is highlighted by numerous accomplishments. These include: significant growth and improvement in both the Student Success Center and the Center for Teaching Excellence; advancement of multiple diversity and inclusion initiatives, including the SEED program; coordinating the College's support of students and faculty in the aftermath of the Woolsey fire; and advancement of a wide array of other mentoring and student and faculty development programs. Seaver College is fortunate to have Dr. De Long continue her service in this role.

Please join me in congratulating Kindy on this significant accomplishment.

— Michael

**Reminder: Change of Final Exam Forms**

Remind your students to complete and submit their [change of final exam forms](#) with faculty approval by Monday, April 20, 2020 before 5 PM. Please note, faculty members must be available to proctor the adjusted exam time. Late forms will not be accepted by the Dean's office.

## Build Plans, Earn a Gift

Don't forget, if you build your advisees an **academic plan** for Fall 2020 in Navigate you'll earn an **Amazon gift card**.



All faculty with fewer than 30 advisees who build an academic plan for Fall 2020 in Navigate for all of their advisees will receive a \$10 Amazon gift card. All faculty with 30 or more advisees who build an academic plan for at least 80 percent of their advisees will receive a \$15 Amazon gift card. Build your plans and email [Abigail Carstens](#) by March 4, 2020 to qualify.

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## Upcoming Events and Deadlines

### Reporting and Writing Through Trauma

February 18 at 6:30 PM

Join us in the Hahn Fireside Room to hear from Pulitzer Prize winning reporter Jennifer Berry Hawes.



Hawes was on the Watchdog and Public Service team at the *Post and Courier* and reported on the "Till Death Do Us Part" investigation into domestic violence. Her latest book *Grace Will Lead Us Home* examines the Charleston church massacre.

[Add to Calendar](#)

### Gordon H. Chang|Modern California Lecture

Thursday, February 20 at 6 PM

Join author and Stanford professor Gordon H. Chang in the Payson Library Surfboard Room.



Chang will share the recovered stories of Chinese railroad workers and celebrate their contribution to the development of modern America. Chang's most recent publication, *Ghosts of Gold Mountain: The Epic Story of the Chinese Who Built the Transcontinental Railroad*, will be available for purchase after the event.

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## Order Graduation Regalia!

Deadline: March 11



Seaver College's graduation ceremony is just around the corner! Don't forget to order your regalia to join the celebration.



To secure your faculty regalia for graduation on May 2, 2020, place your order and deliver payment to the Seaver Dean's Office before March 11, 2020. Deliver cash or check (made payable to Pepperdine University) to the Seaver Dean's Office/Attn: Lexi Palma/Abigail Carstens. Orders received after the March 11 deadline may be subject to an additional \$20 special handling fee.

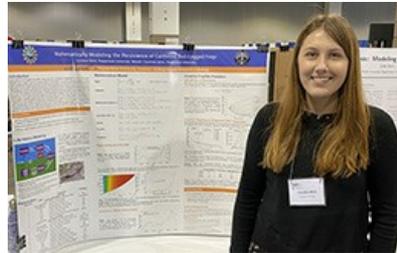
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## Research at Pepperdine

Every day our community is engaging in research and scholarship across disciplines. Explore faculty stories and potential funding opportunities below.

### Students Awarded at Joint Mathematics Meeting

Seaver College student researchers returned with awards for their projects presented at the world's largest mathematics conference.



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## Funding Opportunities

**Annual Journalism Prize Competition** These prizes recognize reportorial excellence of journalists for their resourcefulness, insight, quality of writing and brevity. Applications due March 13. [Learn More](#) ►

**National Gang Center** This grant seeks to provide training and assistance to communities developing evidence-based strategies to support youth and reduce youth gang violence. Applications due March 16. [Learn More](#) ►

**Research and Evaluation Initiative** The Office on Violence Against Women Research and Evaluation Initiative seeks to combat domestic violence through strategies to serve victims. Applications due March 18. [Learn More](#) ►

**Research Grants in the Arts** Supports research that investigates the value and/or impact of the arts as it interacts with the arts and/or with other domains of American life. Applications due March 23. [Learn More](#) ►

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