

AP FACULTY SENATE NEWSLETTER

The Administrative and Professional (A/P) Faculty Senate represents all A/P faculty members and has the authority and responsibility to act on their behalf through the university governance process. For more information on the A/P Faculty Senate go to <https://apfacultysenate.vt.edu/>

Message from AP Faculty Senate President:

Welcome to the second edition of the A/P Faculty Senate Newsletter. This quarter, I am appealing to each of you to contribute to the A/P Faculty Senate philanthropic project as a way to show our support for students.

This year we've chosen the [Beyond Boundaries Scholars program](#). If A/P faculty members together raise a minimum of \$3,000, Virginia Tech will match those gifts to create a named A/P Faculty Beyond Boundaries Scholar. I am happy to report that A/P Faculty Senators have donated \$1,500 towards our minimum goal.

I am asking every A/P faculty member to help with this effort. If all 2,300+ A/P faculty members make a small tax-deductible gift we would go a long way to help underrepresented and high achieving students. I hope you will help us well exceed our goal!

Please make a lasting impact! [Make a gift today](#) to support Virginia Tech students in realizing their dreams.

All the best,
Holli

Did You Know...About Virginia Cooperative Extension?

Virginia Cooperative Extension (VCE) is your connection to research-based information from Virginia's land grant universities, Virginia Tech and Virginia State. For over 100 years, VCE has provided Virginians information and educational programs on various topics including nutrition and wellness, food safety, gardening, family financial management, parenting, natural resources, the environment, agriculture, youth development opportunities and more!

For more information, go to the VCE website <https://ext.vt.edu>

Find your local Extension office <https://ext.vt.edu/offices.html>

Learn more about the history of Virginia Cooperative Extension and test your knowledge on who's who in the history of Extension at Virginia Tech.

<https://ext.vt.edu/about/timeline.html>



Get to Know Your Senators

Name: Terri Pecora
Title: Director Academic Applications
Department: Academic Applications

Representing: General Professional

Why did you want to be a Senator? I wanted to be a senator to represent point of views on issues related to AP Faculty as well as protect my constituent's interests.

What is one thing that you would like to do, one change you would make, or one policy you would like to influence as an AP Faculty Senator? One thing I would like to do is to get more people interested and involved with the AP Faculty Senate. There is a lot of opportunity and reward in holding a senator or alternate position. Fill out the [interest](#) or [nomination](#) form to receive more information. Self-nominations are accepted as well.

What is one thing that most people don't know about you? Most people do not know that I was born and raised in New York but lived most of my life in Colorado before moving to Virginia to work at Virginia Tech.

What is one thing about your job that you would like people to know? My job and team are critical to students being able apply, register, request financial aid, faculty to submit grades, student reporting, data integrations, etc. Students are our top priority and why we are all here.

Are there any services that your department offers to AP Faculty that people should know about? We offer some reporting and support to departments and advisors that work directly with students.

Contact Terri: tpecora@vt.edu

Name: Cathy Duerbeck
Title: Director of Finance
Department: Library

Representing: Library

Why did you want to be a Senator? Being a Hokie and VT alumnus, *Ut Prosim* is part of my life

What is one thing that you would like to do, one change you would make, or one policy you would like to influence as an AP Faculty Senator? Provide recognition to the behind-the-scenes work that AP Faculty do that is often overlooked and unappreciated.

What is one thing that most people don't know about you? I play the sax in several area bands

What is one thing about your job that you would like people to know? It's more than just numbers

Are there any services that your department offers to AP Faculty that people should know about? Our Studios offer a wide range of services such as tools and equipment to work with 3D Printing, electronics, laser cutting, CNC, vacuum forming, clay modeling, sewing, and screen printing.; our ARIES program offers immersive technology support

Contact Cathy: twinmom@vt.edu