

# **WELCOME NEW EMPLOYEES**

Winter 2014

# **Kavita Adatia**

## Resident Counselor

# Kavita Adatia, Resident Counselor

Education	Northern Illinois University B.S. in Family and Individual Development and M.S., Counseling
Previous Employment	Academic Case Manager for college athletes, Assistant Conference Office Coordinator, and Career Planning Instructor for college freshmen and sophomores

# Kavita Adatia, Resident Counselor

Education	Northern Illinois University B.S. in Family and Individual Development and M.S., Counseling
Previous Employment	Academic Case Manager for college athletes, Assistant Conference Office Coordinator, and Career Planning Instructor for college freshmen and sophomores
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Interested in school counseling at an international level</li></ul>	

# Kavita Adatia, Resident Counselor

Education	Northern Illinois University B.S. in Family and Individual Development and M.S., Counseling
Previous Employment	Academic Case Manager for college athletes, Assistant Conference Office Coordinator, and Career Planning Instructor for college freshmen and sophomores
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Interested in school counseling at an international level</li><li>• Never lived outside of Illinois</li></ul>	

# Kavita Adatia, Resident Counselor

Education	Northern Illinois University B.S. in Family and Individual Development and M.S., Counseling
Previous Employment	Academic Case Manager for college athletes, Assistant Conference Office Coordinator, and Career Planning Instructor for college freshmen and sophomores
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Interested in school counseling at an international level</li><li>• Never lived outside of Illinois</li><li>• Received the Outstanding Service Award from the Illinois Counseling Association in November 2012</li></ul>	

# **Jennifer Banham**

## Admissions Counselor

# Jennifer Banham, Admissions Counselor

Education	Purdue University B.S. Criminal Justice
Previous Employment	Admissions Counselor, Harper College



# Jennifer Banham, Admissions Counselor

Education	Purdue University B.S. Criminal Justice
Previous Employment	Admissions Counselor, Harper College
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Worked four years at the country's first women's correctional facility (est in 1873)</li></ul>	

# Jennifer Banham, Admissions Counselor

Education	Purdue University B.S. Criminal Justice
Previous Employment	Admissions Counselor, Harper College
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Worked four years at the country's first women's correctional facility (est in 1873)</li><li>• Hails from Indiana</li></ul>	

# Jennifer Banham, Admissions Counselor

Education	Purdue University B.S. Criminal Justice
Previous Employment	Admissions Counselor, Harper College
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Worked four years at the country's first women's correctional facility (est in 1873)</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hails from Indiana</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mother of a six month old baby boy</li></ul>	

**Rebecca Barrow**

Educator Initiatives Coordinator

# Rebecca Barrow, Educator Initiatives Coordinator

Education	Monmouth College B.A. in Communications and Public Relations
Previous Employment	High School Partnership Specialist at Waubonsee Community College

# Rebecca Barrow, Educator Initiatives Coordinator

Education	Monmouth College B.A. in Communications and Public Relations
Previous Employment	High School Partnership Specialist at Waubonsee Community College
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Has been to 47 states...thanks to her parents and their RV</li></ul>	

# Rebecca Barrow, Educator Initiatives Coordinator

Education	Monmouth College B.A. in Communications and Public Relations
Previous Employment	High School Partnership Specialist at Waubensee Community College
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Has been to 47 states...thanks to her parents and their RV</li><li>• Was the equivalent of a Res Life Area Coordinator at Monmouth College and Six Flags Great America</li></ul>	

# Rebecca Barrow, Educator Initiatives Coordinator

Education	Monmouth College B.A. in Communications and Public Relations
Previous Employment	High School Partnership Specialist at Waubonsee Community College
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Has been to 47 states...thanks to her parents and their RV</li><li>• Was the equivalent of a Res Life Area Coordinator at Monmouth College and Six Flags Great America</li><li>• Played varsity water polo for four years in high school</li></ul>	



**Vandana Chinwalla**

SIR Instructional Program Assistant

# Vandana Chinwalla, SIR Instructional Program Assistant

Education	Case Western Reserve University – Ph.D., Molecular Genetics Bombay University – B.S., Microbiology and Biochemistry and M.S., Biochemistry
Previous Employment	Part-time Instructor, Benedictine University and College of DuPage

# Vandana Chinwalla, SIR Instructional Program Assistant

Education	Case Western Reserve University – Ph.D., Molecular Genetics Bombay University – B.S., Microbiology and Biochemistry and M.S., Biochemistry
Previous Employment	Part-time Instructor, Benedictine University and College of DuPage
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hobbies include gardening, watching movies, and painting</li></ul>	

# Vandana Chinwalla, SIR Instructional Program Assistant

Education	Case Western Reserve University – Ph.D., Molecular Genetics Bombay University – B.S., Microbiology and Biochemistry and M.S., Biochemistry
Previous Employment	Part-time Instructor, Benedictine University and College of DuPage
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hobbies include gardening, watching movies, and painting</li><li>• Likes to go camping and hiking in the summer</li></ul>	

**Nicole Dahdal**

Webmaster

# Nicole Dahdal, Webmaster

Education	Northwestern University – M.S., Computer Information Systems Columbia College - B.A. Film/Computer Animation
Previous Employment	Faculty at International Academy of Design and Technology

# Nicole Dahdal, Webmaster

Education	Northwestern University – M.S., Computer Information Systems Columbia College - B.A. Film/Computer Animation
Previous Employment	Faculty at International Academy of Design and Technology
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Plays the guitar and just might be able to rock your favorite tune</li></ul>	

# Nicole Dahdal, Webmaster

Education	Northwestern University – M.S., Computer Information Systems Columbia College - B.A. Film/Computer Animation
Previous Employment	Faculty at International Academy of Design and Technology
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Plays the guitar and just might be able to rock your favorite tune</li><li>• Hasn't won anything since she was in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade</li></ul>	



# Nicole Dahdal, Webmaster

Education	Northwestern University – M.S., Computer Information Systems Columbia College - B.A. Film/Computer Animation
Previous Employment	Faculty at International Academy of Design and Technology
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Plays the guitar and just might be able to rock your favorite tune</li><li>• Hasn't won anything since she was in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade</li><li>• <i>Friends</i> is her favorite TV show – she's obsessed!</li></ul>	

**Lisa Hellman**

Alumni Relations Coordinator

# Lisa Hellman, Alumni Relations Coordinator

Education	Roosevelt University – M.A., Clinical Psychology Northern Illinois University – B.A., Psychology with minor in Spanish
Previous Employment	Manager of Development at Midwestern University
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Does animal rescue, advocacy and fundraising. Has six dogs and one cat.</li></ul>	

# Lisa Hellman, Alumni Relations Coordinator

Education	Roosevelt University – M.A., Clinical Psychology Northern Illinois University – B.A., Psychology with minor in Spanish
Previous Employment	Manager of Development at Midwestern University
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I sang in Honky Tonks in Nevada in the 1970's (for a donation to the IMSA Fund, you may get a chance to see those photos)</li></ul>	

# Lisa Hellman, Alumni Relations Coordinator

Education	Roosevelt University – M.A., Clinical Psychology Northern Illinois University – B.A., Psychology with minor in Spanish
Previous Employment	Manager of Development at Midwestern University
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Participated in choirs, musicals, plays and ballets as a child and young adult. First role was the lead in her first grade Easter play, she was the Easter Bunny. (For an even larger donation the IMSA Fund, you may get a chance to see those photos)</li></ul>	

**Deb Horn**

Accounting Specialist

# Deb Horn, Accounting Specialist

Education	Oklahoma State – B.S., Industrial Engineering
Previous Employment	Commodity Manager and Sr. Buyer with ARCO Corporation

# Deb Horn, Accounting Specialist

Education	Oklahoma State – B.S., Industrial Engineering
Previous Employment	Commodity Manager and Sr. Buyer with ARCO Corporation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Volunteer at Fox Valley Volunteer Hospice, Lazarus House/Women's Shelter, and Boy Scout Troop 30</li></ul>



# Deb Horn, Accounting Specialist

Education	Oklahoma State – B.S., Industrial Engineering
Previous Employment	Commodity Manager and Sr. Buyer with ARCO Corporation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Volunteer at Fox Valley Volunteer Hospice, Lazarus House/Women's Shelter, and Boy Scout Troop 30</li><li>• Had two Horn kids graduate from IMSA: Corinne '07 and Caroline '09</li></ul>	

# Deb Horn, Accounting Specialist

Education	Oklahoma State – B.S., Industrial Engineering
Previous Employment	Commodity Manager and Sr. Buyer with ARCO Corporation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Volunteer at Fox Valley Volunteer Hospice, Lazarus House/Women's Shelter, and Boy Scout Troop 30</li><li>• Had two Horn kids graduate from IMSA: Corinne '07 and Caroline '09</li><li>• Avid tennis player (2<sup>nd</sup> place at Nationals with Senior team)</li></ul>	

# **Connie James-Jenkin**

## Reference Librarian

# Connie James-Jenkin, Reference Librarian

Education	University of Wisconsin-Madison – B.A. and M.A.
Previous Employment	Instruction and Reference Librarian at Elgin Community College

# Connie James-Jenkin, Reference Librarian

Education	University of Wisconsin-Madison – B.A. and M.A.
Previous Employment	Instruction and Reference Librarian at Elgin Community College
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Spends a lot of free time with her daughter at the barn where they keep their horse</li></ul>	

# Connie James-Jenkin, Reference Librarian

Education	University of Wisconsin-Madison – B.A. and M.A.
Previous Employment	Instruction and Reference Librarian at Elgin Community College
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Spends a lot of free time with her daughter at the barn where they keep their horse</li><li>• Has been to Peru</li></ul>	

# Connie James-Jenkin, Reference Librarian

Education	University of Wisconsin-Madison – B.A. and M.A.
Previous Employment	Instruction and Reference Librarian at Elgin Community College
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Spends a lot of free time with her daughter at the barn where they keep their horse</li><li>• Has been to Peru</li><li>• Competes in triathlons and half-marathons</li></ul>	

# **Scott Nazimek**

## Maintenance Supervisor



# Scott Nazimek, Maintenance Supervisor

Education	Ferris State University B.S., Facility Management
Previous Employment	Facilities Manager at DeVry University

# Scott Nazimek, Maintenance Supervisor

Education	Ferris State University B.S., Facility Management
Previous Employment	Facilities Manager at DeVry University
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Adjunct Faculty in Facility Management; assisting in development of International Facility Management Association (IFMA) accredited Bachelor's degree program</li></ul>

# Scott Nazimek, Maintenance Supervisor

Education	Ferris State University B.S., Facility Management
Previous Employment	Facilities Manager at DeVry University
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Adjunct Faculty in Facility Management; assisting in development of International Facility Management Association (IFMA) accredited Bachelor's degree program</li><li>• He and his wife recently adopted a 2-1/2 yr. old son, have 17 month old twin girls, and are expecting their son, Cooper, next Wednesday</li></ul>	

# Scott Nazimek, Maintenance Supervisor

Education	Ferris State University B.S., Facility Management
Previous Employment	Facilities Manager at DeVry University
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Adjunct Faculty in Facility Management; assisting in development of International Facility Management Association (IFMA) accredited Bachelor's degree program</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• He and his wife recently adopted a 2-1/2 yr. old son, have 17 month old twin girls, and are expecting their son, Cooper, next Wednesday</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enjoys building and playing with his R/C Cars</li></ul>	

**Dora Phillips**

Director of Statewide Educator  
Initiatives

# Dora Phillips, Director of Statewide Educator Initiatives

Education	Loyola University – M.Ed., Educational Leadership Tulane University – B.A., English/Education
Previous Employment	High School Partnership Manager at Waubonsee Community College

# Dora Phillips, Director of Statewide Educator Initiatives

Education	Loyola University – M.Ed., Educational Leadership Tulane University – B.A., English/Education
Previous Employment	High School Partnership Manager at Waubonsee Community College
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Holds a red belt in Taekwondo, but has to call her kids "sir" and "ma'am" because they outrank her</li></ul>	

# Dora Phillips, Director of Statewide Educator Initiatives

Education	Loyola University – M.Ed., Educational Leadership Tulane University – B.A., English/Education
Previous Employment	High School Partnership Manager at Waubonsee Community College
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Holds a red belt in Taekwondo, but has to call her kids "sir" and "ma'am" because they outrank her</li><li>• Her first job was as a “Hotwalker” at a thoroughbred horse track. In this exciting position, you show up at 4am to walk horses around in circles</li></ul>	



# Dora Phillips, Director of Statewide Educator Initiatives

Education	Loyola University – M.Ed., Educational Leadership Tulane University – B.A., English/Education
Previous Employment	High School Partnership Manager at Waubonsee Community College
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Holds a red belt in Taekwondo, but has to call her kids "sir" and "ma'am" because they outrank her</li><li>• Her first job was as a “Hotwalker” at a thoroughbred horse track. In this exciting position, you show up at 4am to walk horses around in circles</li><li>• Had to buy a new car 10 years ago because who could predict she would be Dora driving an Explorer when that darn cartoon hit?</li></ul>	

**Carissa Rosine**

Program Assistant, Institutional  
Research

# Carissa Rosine, Program Assistant – Institutional Research

Education	North Central College – B.A., Psychology
Previous Employment	Manager at Things Remembered

# Carissa Rosine, Program Assistant – Institutional Research

Education	North Central College – B.A., Psychology
Previous Employment	Manager at Things Remembered
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>When she eats a meal, she likes to have two desserts-one at the beginning and one at the end</li></ul>	

# Carissa Rosine, Program Assistant – Institutional Research

Education	North Central College – B.A., Psychology
Previous Employment	Manager at Things Remembered
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• When she eats a meal, she likes to have two desserts-one at the beginning and one at the end</li><li>• Has something called synesthesia, so she perceives all letters and numbers as being a certain color. A is red, B is blue, C is orange...1 is white, 2 is light purple, 3 is bright yellow, and so on.</li></ul>	

# Carissa Rosine, Program Assistant – Institutional Research

Education	North Central College – B.A., Psychology
Previous Employment	Manager at Things Remembered
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• When she eats a meal, she likes to have two desserts-one at the beginning and one at the end</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Has something called synesthesia, so she perceives all letters and numbers as being a certain color. A is red, B is blue, C is orange...1 is white, 2 is light purple, 3 is bright yellow, and so on.</li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enjoys wearing sassy shoes</li></ul>	

**Nicole Ross**

Curriculum and Professional  
Development Specialist

# Nicole Ross, Curriculum and Professional Development Specialist

Education	Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences – Ph.D., Neuroscience North Carolina State University – B.A., Psychology
Previous Employment	Science Faculty at Mount Assisi Academy



# Nicole Ross, Curriculum and Professional Development Specialist

Education	Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences – Ph.D., Neuroscience North Carolina State University – B.A., Psychology
Previous Employment	Science Faculty at Mount Assisi Academy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A “Cheer Mom” – don’t judge</li></ul>	

# Nicole Ross, Curriculum and Professional Development Specialist

Education	Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences – Ph.D., Neuroscience North Carolina State University – B.A., Psychology
Previous Employment	Science Faculty at Mount Assisi Academy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A “Cheer Mom” – don’t judge</li><li>• Avid Skier</li></ul>	

# Nicole Ross, Curriculum and Professional Development Specialist

Education	Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences – Ph.D., Neuroscience North Carolina State University – B.A., Psychology
Previous Employment	Science Faculty at Mount Assisi Academy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A “Cheer Mom” – don’t judge</li><li>• Avid Skier</li><li>• Has three kids ages 7, 9 and 17. One is about to head off to college – no idea where.</li></ul>	

# **Jacqueline Salinas**

## Admissions Counselor

# Jacqueline Salinas, Admissions Counselor

Education	University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign B.A., Spanish and Latino/a Studies
Previous Employment	Associate Director of Educational Partnerships at Benedictine University

# Jacqueline Salinas, Admissions Counselor

Education	University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign B.A., Spanish and Latino/a Studies
Previous Employment	Associate Director of Educational Partnerships at Benedictine University
• Addicted to Netflix	

# Jacqueline Salinas, Admissions Counselor

Education	University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign B.A., Spanish and Latino/a Studies
Previous Employment	Associate Director of Educational Partnerships at Benedictine University
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Addicted to Netflix</li><li>• First generation college graduate</li></ul>	

# Jacqueline Salinas, Admissions Counselor

Education	University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign B.A., Spanish and Latino/a Studies
Previous Employment	Associate Director of Educational Partnerships at Benedictine University
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Addicted to Netflix</li><li>• First generation college graduate</li><li>• Can make anything on the Oberweis Dairy menu</li></ul>	