Diane Beaudoin

Director of Institutional Assessment, Office of Institutional Research, Assessment and Effectiveness

Diane graduated from The University of Texas at Austin with a bachelor’s degree in Chemical Engineering in 1990 and earned a PhD in Chemical Engineering from North Carolina State University in 1996. She started her career as a faculty member in Chemical, Bio and Materials Engineering at Arizona State University teaching courses in the chemical engineering and bioengineering programs and coordinating the first year engineering course. Diane started at Purdue University in 2008 as Director of Assessment for the College of Engineering and then became Director of Assessment for the Office of the Provost in 2011.

Diane currently serves as the Director of Institutional Assessment in the Office of Institutional Research, Assessment and Effectiveness. In this role, her primary focus is promoting across campus the use of assessment as a means of evidence-based decision-making for improving or enhancing programs and student success. She manages a team of seven assessment professionals with a project portfolio that includes Academic Program Review, the Student Experience in a Research University survey, student learning outcomes assessment, and measuring the Gallup-Purdue Index’s and other indicators of student success.

Diane is the mother of two teenage boys and her husband, Steve, is a faculty member at Purdue in Chemical Engineering.

Eric Butt

Assistant Director, Radiological & Environmental Management

Eric joined Purdue in December 2011. He manages Purdue’s occupational health and safety programs working for Radiological and Environmental Management ensuring compliance with OSHA regulations. Eric oversees the ergonomics program, building safety inspections, occupational health programs such as respiratory and hearing protection and acts as a liaison with IOSHA. Providing critical experience for students, Eric has developed internship and employment opportunities in his department. Eric’s safety approach focuses on realistic solutions to protect employees from hazards, developing supervisor’s safety leadership skills and coaching employees to be involved in their own personal safety. Eric is active with the American Industrial Hygiene Association of Indiana where he has served a board member.

Prior to Purdue, Eric graduated from Indiana University in 2000 with a bachelor’s degree in Business. Upon graduation, Eric was hired into Cintas’ two-year management trainee program in Hammond, IN completing key departmental rotations. Eric accelerated in Operations to the position of Plant Manager and Environmental, Health and Safety Coordinator in the Chicago area. Eric is originally from Monticello, IN where he resides on Lake Freeman with his high school sweetheart and wife of ten years Natalie and boys Eric Jr. (9), Nick (6) and dog Charlie.
Allison Harris
Senior Operations Manager, Sponsored Program Services

After graduating from Indiana University with a bachelor’s degree in Accounting and Finance in 2003, Allison joined the Purdue University family as a member of the Staff Development program. While in the program she worked in Sponsored Program Services (SPS) as well as within the business offices in the College of Science. After completing the program, she took a permanent position as an Account Manager in SPS. Over the years, she has served as the DHHS Account Manager, DHHS Senior Account Manager, and Industrial Senior Account Manager before becoming the Senior Operations Manager for SPS Post Award in 2012.

Allison’s primary purpose is to ensure processes and procedures within the Post Award area of Sponsored Programs are being applied consistently and the most time effective across the area. She is also responsible for updating process guides and quick reference cards for use by staff. The position serves as a liaison between SPS and other units within the University on campus wide initiatives. In addition, Allison provides an important leadership role by functionally supervising three manager positions within the post award area; providing backup as required.

Allison and her husband reside in Lafayette with their two children Camden (8) and Sydney (6).

Stephen Hoffmann
Assistant Head for First-Year Engineering, Engineering Education

Stephen Hoffmann completed his doctoral degree at the Environmental Chemistry and Technology Program at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, in 2002. From then until 2008, he was an Assistant Professor of Chemistry and Environmental Studies at Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington, IL, where he helped design and grow the new degree program in Environmental Studies. In 2008, Stephen joined the newly-formed Division of Environmental and Ecological Engineering (EEE) at Purdue, becoming Assistant Head in 2011. While there, Stephen worked with the faculty of the division to develop and launch the new degree program in EEE in 2012, and led the successful ABET accreditation effort for the program.

In 2013, Stephen moved to the School of Engineering Education as Assistant Head for First-Year Engineering. In this position, he coordinates all aspects of the FYE program (more than 2500 students), including integration between the advising staff, the faculty and instructors of courses, and the larger College and University community. He also has primary assessment responsibility for the program.

Stephen resides in West Lafayette with his wife, Alice, and son, Simon. He enjoys gardening, hiking, crossword puzzles, and walking the dog, Maggie.
Nathan Manages

Assistant Director of Strategic Sourcing, Procurement Services

Nathan graduated from Purdue University in 2009 with a bachelor’s degree in Agribusiness Management. During his time as a student, Nathan worked all four years as a manager for the Purdue Men’s Basketball program. Following graduation, Nathan returned to his hometown of Pendleton, Indiana, and joined Sallie Mae/Department of Education Loan Services as a Customer Resolution Specialist. Nathan joined Purdue in 2010 as Business Manager for Management Academic Programs in the Krannert School of Management. He also served on committees for Grad Payroll Orientation and to define Professional Masters Programs. In 2013, Nathan moved to Procurement Services as a Contract Analyst working on a variety of projects geared towards student affordability and Purdue Moves. He primarily focused on Enterprise Services, Housing and Food Services, and Physical Facilities. He was a project manager for Efficiency and Affordability Working Group, and manages partnerships with Xerox Printing Services and Fisher Scientific. Nathan accepted a position as Assistant Director of Strategic Sourcing in July 2015 with goals to streamline purchasing and provide greater focused and proactive customer support. Nathan is a 2014 graduate of Purdue’s Weekend MBA program. He resides in West Lafayette, and in his free time, enjoys Purdue Basketball and spending time with friends and family.

Samantha McFarland

Assistant Director of Financial Affairs, College of Veterinary Medicine

Samantha graduated from Purdue in 2003 with a B.S. in Management. While attending Purdue full-time, she worked as an Accountant’s Assistant at Laker & Associates, Inc. and as a Manager-In-Training at Goodrich Quality Theaters. Following graduation, Samantha joined The Lafayette Life Insurance Company, a subsidiary of Western & Southern Financial Group, for eight years focusing on commercial mortgage loan investments and short-term investments. In 2011, she joined Purdue as Business Manager of Agronomy/ACRE where she transformed their business practices and customer service earning her recognition as a 2013 College of Agriculture Business Office Service Award winner.

In her current role as ADFA, since 2014, Samantha’s responsibilities include supporting the College of Veterinary Medicine’s Associate Deans of Research, Associate Dean of Engagement, and the Directors of The Center for Comparative Translational Research, Equine Sports Medicine Center, Center for Paralysis Research, Life Long Learning, Alumni Relations and Special Events, Advancement/Development, Communications, and Web Communications. Additionally, she is the Interim Business Manager for the Veterinary Teaching Hospital.

Samantha served as chair for the 2014 Business Management Area Retreat Committee, and is currently serving on the BI Finance/HR Advisory Committee.

Samantha resides in Lafayette with her husband, Matt, and they are expecting their first child.
Rick Rodriguez

*Director of Service Management, IT Customer Relations*

Rick graduated from Purdue in 2005 with a Bachelor’s Degree in Computer Technology. Upon graduation, Rick worked in a variety of IT roles, mainly centered on creating or maturing outsourced helpdesks. Rick returned to Purdue in 2010 as the Support Services Manager for Agriculture Information Technology, where he helped AgIT consolidate IT support within the college. During this time he returned to school and completed his MBA in 2012 from Indiana Wesleyan. In 2014 Rick moved to ITaP as the Director of Customer Service, where he remains today. In his current role, Rick is responsible for the ITaP Customer Service Center, which provides Tier 1 support for faculty, students and staff. He is also responsible for the Resnet helpdesk, providing support for those living in University Residences, and for the Service Manager team.

Originally from Portage, Indiana, Rick now resides in West Lafayette with his wife Krista, kids Max (4) and Kate (2), and two small but noisy dogs.

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Natalie Stewart

*Senior Advisor, Quality Reporting, Regenstrief Center for Healthcare Engineering*

Natalie serves as Senior Advisor-EHR/meaningful Use for Purdue Healthcare Advisors (PHA). In this role, she leads a team of advisors dedicated to supporting healthcare providers and hospitals in understanding and meeting the requirements of numerous national and state quality initiatives, including meaningful use (MU), Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH), and the Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS).

She began her Purdue career in 2011 at the Purdue Regional Extension Center (PurdueREC), a division of PHA that operates under a $14M award from the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). To date, PurdueREC has directly assisted more than 50 hospitals and 3,000 providers in the state in successfully achieving MU, of which Natalie has coached over 30 hospitals and 450 providers. She also directly assisted two Indiana Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) transform their care delivery models to achieve Level 2 PCMH recognition through the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA).

Natalie is a Certified Meaningful Use Professional, a Certified Health IT Professional in the areas of Practice Workflow & Information Management Redesign, and owns advanced certifications in both Lean Healthcare and Lean Six Sigma. Natalie graduated from Indiana Wesleyan University in 2010 with her MBA in Healthcare Administration, and from Indiana University in 2006 with her bachelor’s degree.
Kelley Stier

*Associate Dean of Students and Director of Parent and Family Programs, Office of the Dean of Students*

Kelley has ten years of experience in higher education. She began her career at the University of North Florida where she served as a coordinator for student organizations. Kelley then returned home to the Midwest and began her career at Purdue University in University Residences where she served as an Area Coordinator at Shreve Hall, Tarkington Hall, and Cary Quadrangle. She now serves as an Associate Dean and the inaugural Director of Parent & Family Programs.

Kelley is responsible for participating in recruitment and yield efforts targeted for parents of potential Purdue students, supporting parents and families during the transition to Purdue, programming to engage parents in the Purdue experience, assisting parents in becoming partners in their student’s success, and collaborating to create fundraising opportunities.

Kelley graduated from Bradley University in 2005 with a degree in communications and earned her master’s degree from Bradley University in 2007 in human service administration. Kelley is a graduate of the Leadership Lafayette 42nd class, a member of Tri Kappa, a certified Strengths Finder educator, an alumna of the Association of College Unions International Women’s Leadership Institute, and active in the community through her church. Kelley resides in Lafayette with her husband, Chris, and six month old son, Christian.

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