



## 9:00 AM: Opening Remarks: President Lee Fisher

### SESSION I: Mind, Meaning & Human Consciousness. (9:15-10:15)

Exploring psychology, identity, belief systems, and how we construct reality.

*Untranslatable: Using Dance as Language*

- **Christina Lindhout**  
**Sabrina Lindhout**  
**Mason Alexander**  
Department of Theatre and Dance  
Conservatory of Performing Arts

*Mind Over Matter: How Consciousness Creates the World*

- **Kevin Keating**  
Department of English & Creative Writing  
School of Humanities, Education & Social Sciences

*High Functioning after Psychopathology*

- **David Disabato**  
Department of Psychology  
School of Health Sciences

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### SESSION II: Artificial Intelligence & the Future of Society (10:15-10:45)

Technology, risk, economics, digital identity, and information literacy.

*Fearing and Loathing “Superhuman AI.” What our anxieties about AI risks can tell us about ourselves.*

- **Kelly Coble**  
Department of Philosophy & Religion  
School of Humanities, Education & Social Sciences

*Who Profits, Who Pays, Who's at Risk? The Hidden Economics of AI*

- **Suresh Paul**  
Department of Finance  
Carmel Boyer School of Business
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## **SESSION III: Culture, History & Global Perspectives (10:45-11:45)**

How culture shapes cities, nations, identity, and learning.

*What's Literature Got to Do With it? How Culture Builds Cities*

- **Matthew Feinberg**  
Department of World Languages, Literatures, and Cultures  
School of Humanities, Education & Social Sciences

*The Long, Long March from Ming to Mao': W. E. B. Du Bois and Chinese Mythology*

- **Xiamara Hohman**  
Department of English and Creative Writing  
School of Humanities, Education & Social Sciences

*Obscurity: A Politics*

- **Whitney Mannies**  
Department of Politics and Global Citizenship  
School of Humanities, Education & Social Sciences

*American Business as a Medieval Comedy*

- **Mac Watson**  
Management & Leadership Department  
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## **LUNCH: 11:45-12:15**

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## **SESSION IV: Creativity, Expression & Human Potential (12:15-1:30)**

Art, improvisation, the subconscious, performance, and transformation.

*Stirring up the Silt at the Bottom of Your Pond*

- **Michael Garriga**  
Department of English and Creative Writing  
School of Humanities, Education & Social Sciences

*Music Therapy Matters: Clinical Applications and Community Impact*

- **Lisa M Gallagher**
- **Alicia Bousner Hrubey**  
Department of Music Therapy  
Conservatory of Performing Arts

*Failure, Resilience & Improvisation*

- **Matthew Koenig**  
Department of Theatre and Dance  
Conservatory of Performing Arts

*Preparing BW Students for Success*

- **Edwin Meyer**  
Department of Physics  
School of Science & Engineering

*The Dual Nature of the Teaching Profession: The Best Profession, The Silenced Profession*

- **Jamy A. Brice-Hyde**  
Department of Education  
School of Humanities, Education & Social Sciences

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## **SESSION V: Innovation, Sustainability & Science in Action (1:30-2:30)**

Science applied to real-world problems.

*Ecological homemaking: How historical ecology can build a sense of place*

- **Kathryn Flinn**  
Department of Biology  
School of Science & Engineering

*Neuropodiatry: health from head-to-toe*

- **Amy Jo Marcano-Reik**  
Department of Neuroscience  
School of Science & Engineering

*Gathering for Good*

- **Claudine Grunenwald Kirschner** (she/her)  
Director of New Student experience  
Department of Communication Arts & Sciences  
School of Humanities, Education & Social Science

*Marine Energy: Cleveland's Next Big Thing?*

- **Jeff Dusek**  
Department of Engineering  
School of Science & Engineering

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## **SESSION VI: Leadership, Organizations & Human Systems (2:30-4:00)**

How we work, lead, organize, and create impact.

*Stop Managing, Start Enabling*

- **Melissa Fairman**  
Vice President for Human Resources

*Recognizing and Reducing Conflict Accelerants*

- **Léna Crain**  
Vice President for Student Experience & Dean of Students

*Sex is Only Male and Female? Not in Classical Islamic Societies*

- **Indira Gesink**  
Department of History  
School of Humanities, Education & Social Sciences

*What People Get Wrong About the Study of Religion*

- **Ellen Posman**  
Department of Philosophy & Religion  
School of Humanities, Education & Social Sciences

*Leading Multigenerational & Multicultural Teams*

- **Lori Radulovich**  
Department of Business Administration  
Carmel Boyer School of Business

*Contributorship: Delivering Value in the Workplace*

- **William Brake**  
Department of Finance  
Carmel Boyer School of Business

*Resilience by Design: Thriving When the World Shifts*

- **Param Srikantia**  
Management & Leadership Department  
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## **SESSION VII: Recorded Presentations (4:15-4:30)**

*Storytelling with data and how to tell if you're not being told the full story*

- **Jeremy Paytas**  
Department of Marketing & Sports Management  
Carmel Boyer School of Business
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## **Closing Remarks (4:30-4:35)**