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I'm very pleased to introduce our esteemed staff and faculty leaders whose combined years of experience and expertise are invested in the success and evolution of our American Scholars. We are committed to excellence in instruction, advising and student services, with a recently expanded menu of after school instruction modules to accelerate language acquisition, support subject learning and standardized test preparation along with strategies to improve classroom performance and assist in acclimation to the American educational experience. We are honored to serve our American Scholars with a leading program of educational and support services complementing their academic paths to university. Please find the following pages, our ASG team of committed staff members for the 2015-2016 academic year!



Dr. Susan M. Amorose, M.S., DMQ
Provost & Chief Academic Officer

THE AMERICAN SCHOLAR PLEDGE

Because I put students first, I pledge to:

Treat all students with dignity and respect.

Be attentive and responsive.

Be patient.

Focus on exceeding student expectations.

Remember that every interaction matters!

Pledged by all American Scholar Group associates.



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Meg Douglas Hamilton

Chancellor of American Scholar Group

Meg Douglas Hamilton, American Scholar Group's Chancellor, is an accomplished scholar, businesswoman and athlete. In her youth, Meg was a member of the U.S. national equestrian team and represented her country in various international competitions. She also attend Harvard University and George Washington University where she studied degrees in humanities.

During her university years, Meg took sabbaticals in the Far East where she got involved in a variety of activities including teaching conversational English to businessmen seeking access to US markets, conducting archeological studies in India, and exploring the wilds of Borneo while writing several articles about her experience for a few magazines.

Meg's business career includes founding three successful companies. Hamilton Equine Systems was her first venture which she eventually sold, followed by Hamilton-Thorne which she established in 2001 and took public in 2009. After an annual stint that averaged 30% annual growth, she stepped down as CEO to form BIO-VET, her current venture. Among Meg's many professional accomplishments are the licensing of key technologies, the acceleration of university product development programs, and the introduction of technologies that have revolutionized stem cell and transgenic research, to name a few.

Meg Douglas Hamilton's drive and professional achievements are an inspiration to American Scholar employees and students. As Chancellor, she leads all ASG strategic initiatives and ensures that all projects align with our core values and ideals.



Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees oversees the implementation of ASG's strategic plans and ensures that all initiatives are aligned to our core values and philosophies.



Miles K. Karson, JR.

Miles K. Karson, a former Mercer County Assistant District Attorney, has over 30 years of experience in civil trial and criminal prosecution. He is also a Vietnam War veteran with numerous military distinctions that include the Bronze Star for Valor, the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star for Meritorious Service, and the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

Miles runs his own private practice, Keck and Karson, LLP, in Greenville, PA. He received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics with honors from California University of Pennsylvania and his Juris Doctorate degree from Ohio Northern University School of Law.



Jie Wu, Ph.D.

Dr. Wu joined Thiel College as an assistant professor in 2007 and became an associate professor in 2012. He has been teaching mathematics and statistics courses in colleges and universities for more than 10 years and is currently serving as director of the Actuarial Studies program at Thiel College. Wu prepares students for their actuarial exams and assists them with their career goals.

Dr. Wu's dedication to his students earned him the "Distinguished Teacher" award at Thiel College Founder's Day in 2014 and "Excellence in Teaching" awards from the Lambda Sigma Honor Society in 2008 and 2014.



Bradley R. Gosser, C.P.A.

Bradley R. Gosser is currently Executive Director and Vice President for all operations of three corporations – Greenville-Reynolds Development Corporation, Reynolds water Co., and Reynolds Disposal Co. – all located in Northwestern Pennsylvania. He has held a numerous professional positions and has served on a number of community boards in Mercer County, PA.

Mr. Gosser holds a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from West Virginia University and has been a Certified Public Accountant and a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants.



Frederico Vallesteros, M.D.

Frederico Vallesteros holds a Bachelor of Science in Pre-Medicine from the University of St. Tomas, where he also received his Doctorate in Medicine. He completed his two-year anesthesia residency at the Conemaugh Valley Memorial Hospital in Johnstown, PA in 1965 and another year of anesthesia training at the Moncton Hospital in Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada, in 1966. From there, Dr. Vallesteros joined the staff at CV Memorial Hospital in Columbus, Ohio, coming to the Greenville Hospital in 1970 where he remained until his retirement in 2002.

Dr. Vallesteros is a fellow of the American College of Anesthesiologists and is a member of the American Society of Anesthesiologists. He was a member of the American Medical Association, Pennsylvania Society of Anesthesiologists, and the Knights of Columbus.



Mark McGrath

Mark McGrath served as registrar at Thiel College during his tenure in higher education. His range of responsibility included the development and implementation of student programs and procedures for records and academic advising activities. He also served as an international student admissions consultant and Co-Director of International Student Services. Mr. McGrath's experience in education spans over two decades and he holds a Bachelor of Arts from Thiel College.



Executive Officers



AEI Office

Dr. Susan M. Amorose, M.S., DMQ

Provost & Chief Academic Officer

Susan Amorose, Provost & Chief Academic Officer for the American Scholar Group English curriculum division, has over twenty years of experience in English as a Second Language (ESL) curriculum design and instruction. Before joining ASG, Susan served as the Director of the ESL Program at La Roche College of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She also designed curriculum and instructed for Echo International, Inlingua, and launched her own language firm.



Michaelene Harris

Vice President of Corporate Affairs

Michaelene Harris is the Director of Corporate Affairs and ensures that all company operations are handled efficiently. Having been deeply involved with the leadership of multiple companies, Michaelene brings a vast knowledge of business to our organization. Prior to joining ASG, she was Director of Administration for Knievel Motorcycle Manufacturing, Inc., Director of Accounting and administration for Hardbikes and Personal Assistant to the President.



Cecelia H. Yauger M.Ed

Vice President; Academic & Strategic Planning

Cecelia Yauger oversees high school curriculum licensing and development. She collaborates with all international and local school partners to ensure programs are implemented effectively. Ms. Yauger oversees all ASG academic programs, keeps track of students' academic progress and coordinates our student advising program. She is also the head of the ASG Ivy Track program, a specialized program designed to help high achieving students gain admission to the top universities. Ms. Yauger has over of 35 years of experience in the field of teaching and education. She has taught elementary education, special education and has served as a special education supervisor, director, and an administrator for a variety of school districts in western Pennsylvania.



Goldie Huang

Vice President & Managing Director of Strategic Alliance

Goldie Huang manages recruitment efforts, marketing campaigns, assists in training agents and communicates with all prospective and existing representatives in the territory. Goldie has years of cross-cultural experiences in the study abroad industry and has organized recruitment drives for multiple U.S. Universities and Boarding Schools. She was also a Program Manager for several large education consulting firms



Robert Stanger

Dean of Global Engagement

Robert Stanger is the Dean of Admissions at American Scholar Group. He oversees for international student admissions, the certification of international licensees and the accreditation of ASG branch offices world-wide. Mr. Stanger has 14 years of hands-on, classroom experience working with at-risk children at Keystone Charter School. He is also an experienced ESL instructor, having taught students from a variety of linguistic backgrounds that include Arabic, Russian and Chinese at The Mercer County Literacy Council.



Global Engagement

The Global Engagement Team maintains and establishes international partnerships and programs.



Benedict Ho
*Director
Strategic Communications
& Licensing*



Lucas Lu
*Director
American Chinese
Advisory Council*



Vickie Beckman
*General Manager
Global Engagement*



Theresa Pfister
*Assistant Manager
Global Engagement*

China Desk



Glacier Zhang
*Program Manager
Global Engagement*



Bella Law
*Regional Manager
Global Engagement*

International Desk



Thao Vu
*General Manager
ASEAN & South Asia*



Nguyen Thu Dung
*Regional Manager
IndoChina*



Serena Ham
*Regional Manager
Asia Pacific*



Sam Lee
*Country Manager
Japan*



Issam Elmaaroufi
*Associate Director
North Africa
Middle East*



Academics



AEI Office

Maria Morin

Registrar

Maria Morin, Dean of Student Affairs at American Scholar Group, oversees all affairs relating to student residence life and activities. Maria helps ASG students maximize their educational and social experience of American life through weekly special events and activities. Maria also ensures that all students receive the highest quality of housing and dining services. Maria has more than 13 years of experience in teaching and learning support at the American High School level. She has also taught Polish Language Courses at the university level.



AEI Office

Nancy Lewandowski

Director, Instructor, & Training

Nancy Lewandowski, Director of Training at AEI, has 10 years of ESL experience that includes teaching in Taiwan, Spain, the Czech Republic, as well as in New York City and Pittsburgh. Her instructional background encompasses a wide range of levels and populations, including teaching both high school and university ESL classes, as well as working extensively with the refugee and new immigrant population in Pittsburgh. Nancy served as a founding member at the first international high school created exclusively for older immigrant youth in New York City, where she taught English and was the team leader for an interdisciplinary group of teachers. At this time, she received a fellowship to develop her teaching skills through the Internationals Network, while earning her Masters of Education at Long Island University. While in this role, Nancy worked extensively in the area of curriculum development and adapting classic literature for ELLs. She has presented her curriculum design work in a variety of collegiate settings, including the New York City Writing Project's Teacher to Teacher Conference.



AEI Office

Alina Harbourne M.Ed

Director of Curriculum & Instruction

Alina Harbourne, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, designs English learning curriculum for our tutoring programs and trains teachers to deliver these curricula effectively. Alina has extensive experience in teaching English nationally and internationally. She has taught and developed curriculum in South Korea, Costa Rica, and in Texas, Boston, Massachusetts, and Pittsburgh. Alina has taught students from multiple age groups, however; her focus is on young adults preparing for the university studies.



AEI Office

Edwin C. Derr

Director of Accreditation & Compliance

Ed Derr, Director of School Relations & Homestay, serves as a liaison between ASG and its school partners. Ed also organizes school tours, admissions fairs, and collaborates with new and prospective school partners. Ed possesses more than 45 years of administrative and relationship management experience in the field of education.



David Rymer

Academic Manager

David Rymer is the Academic Manager at American Scholar Group, responsible for writing and assisting with curriculum and developing AB products to be implemented abroad.

David has many years of ESL teaching and curriculum writing experience, having lived and taught in England, Costa Rica, China, Hungary, Spain and Vietnam. His extensive experience of living in different countries puts him in an excellent position to help our students at ASG and also to develop our products further in overseas markets.

Before discovering his passion for teaching, David worked as a Security Analyst in the Sports and Entertainment Industry, wrote for a British soccer magazine and even had his own radio show in the North of England. He earned his Bachelors Degree in Classical Civilization from The University of Leeds.

Instructors, Curriculum Development, & Academic Counselors

Our instructors help students improve their English language skills as well as prepare them for high school academics, community & social involvement, SAT and TOEFL tests, and university studies. ASG Academic Counselors keep track of their students' academic progress, attendance, conduct, and university applications. Curriculum writers develop the tools and resources for our students to utilize in lessons and classes.



Jennifer Curry, PhD
Instructor



Lauren Lopez
Instructor



Catherine Wu
Instructor



Alexis Godinich
Curriculum Development



Carrie Smith
Curriculum Development

Tutors

Our tutors help our students' by providing assistance in completing assignments, and by giving extra support in specific subjects.

English Tutors *AEI Office*



Diane Stanger
Tutor



Lori Conrad
Tutor



Amy Blasi
Tutor

Subject Tutors *AEI Office*



Gloria Knight
Tutor



Arielle Eiger-McPartlin
Tutor



Scott Sankey, PhD
Instructor

Student Welfare

The Student Welfare team assists students with their transition into American life and with understanding American culture and education. Student affairs staff also aid students with personal growth and development initiatives.



Alexander Ho
Assistant Manager Security & Safety



Kate Rymer
Assistant Manager Student Activities



Dana Ciszewski
Assistant Manager Student Welfare



Jim Chapin
Chaplin



Administration & Finance

Administration & Finance is responsible for planning, organizing, auditing, accounting for and controlling company's finances.



Lynnette Bonanno
Office Manager



Cindy Chen
Accountant



Jamie Bornes
*Assistant Manager
Administration
AEI Office*

Corporate Communications

Corporate Communications manages the company's brand image; as well as develop and deliver multichannel marketing efforts to achieve corporate and sales objectives.



Job Lim
*Creative Director
Group Communications*



Emily Bigger
*Graphic Designer
Content Design &
Development
AEI Office*



Deanna Moose
*Graphic Designer
Corporate
Communications*



Leon Dao
Graphic Designer

Student Health & Counseling Services

The Student Health & Counseling Services team provides students with health services that range from basic medical care to nutritional education.

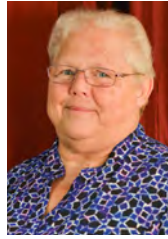


Victoria Ho
Resident Nurse



Operations Management

The ASG Operations Management division ensures that ASG transportation, housing and dining services run smoothly and effectively.



Alice Smith
*Manager
Transportation*



Pancey Schikwambi
*Manager
Student Housing*



Marlene Stamp
*Supervisor
Housekeeping*



Carol Lee
*Supervisor
Food Services*



Melinda Peabody
Housekeeping



Monica Strotman
Housekeeping



Candace McGee
Housekeeping

Houseparents

ASG houseparents oversee student welfare, discipline, and provide them with any necessary emotional support. Houseparents also prepare meals for students and maintain the general cleanliness of housing facilities.



Elizabeth Freeze
Houseparent



Shana Traylor
Houseparent



Sarah Willison
Houseparent



David Hudi
Houseparent



Thomas Tan
Houseparent



Theresa Liu
Houseparent



Aaron Duafala
Houseparent



Michele Farrand
Houseparent



Transportation Services

ASG Transportation Staff provide students transportation to their schools, school-related functions, and ASG events. All drivers are licensed in Pennsylvania and Ohio.



Corky Smith
Chauffer



Ed Gillingham



John "JJ" Jackson



Gary Jones



Stephen May



Matt May

Maintenance & Landscape

The Maintenance and Landscaping ensures that all ASG properties, grounds, and campuses look and function at their best.



Marty Wingard
*Supervisor
Maintenance &
Construction*



Rick Harris
*Supervisor
Operations & Logistics*



Josh Howick
Maintenance



RH Miller
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Thomas McKenzie
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