New Full-time Employees – Fall Semester 2011

FACULTY

Tad Dryden, Machine Shop/Welding Instructor
- M.S. in Agricultural Education
  University of Arizona, Tucson
- B.A. in Public Programs
  Arizona State University, Tempe
- A.A., Eastern Arizona College

In addition to his education, Tad is certified through the American Welding Society on several processes—SMAW, SGMAW, and TGMAW or Arc, MIG, TIG and Gas welding. He has been welding and machining at Circle Lazy J Enterprises for 15 years. Most recently he has welded on projects, machinery and equipment at Freeport-McMoRan, Miami Operations and BHP Billiton, Pinto Valley Operations. He has taught part-time at EAC for the past 3 years.

Shalay Haynie, Allied Health Instructor
- B.S. in Nursing
  Western Governors University
- B.A. in Psychology
  Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff
- A.A.S. in Nursing
  Eastern Arizona College

Prior to completing the nursing program at EAC, Shalay completed a B.A. degree in Psychology from NAU, and in July, she completed a B.S. in Nursing. She has been a Registered Nurse since 2003. Shalay has worked in the health care field since 2000. She worked at Mt. Graham Regional Medical Center managing the Teen Wellness Clinic and teaching Pregnancy Prevention courses; and for the last 8 years, as a Home Health Nurse. She has also worked with SEACUS (Southeastern Arizona Community Unique Services) supervising and training Certified Nurse Assistants.
Gayle Houser, Speech Instructor
- M.A. in Communication; Emphasis: Interpersonal Communication
  Auburn University, Auburn, AL
- B.S. in Speech Communication; Emphasis: Interpersonal Communication/
  Family Communication/Psychology; Minor: English
  Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff
- Studied for Ph.D. in Communication; Emphasis: Family
  Communication/Marriage and Family (A.B.D.)
  Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL

Ms. Houser comes to us from Ball State University in Muncie, IN, where she has been an instructor of Communication Studies. Prior to that, Gayle was a lecturer on Speech Communication at Utah State University and a senior lecturer in the School of Communications for eight years at Northern Arizona University. She has two years community college teaching experience at Bainbridge College in Bainbridge, GA, and has experience as a graduate teaching assistant at both Auburn University and Florida State University. She has received multiple awards and recognitions as an outstanding faculty member from NAU and FSU.

Laure Romero-Jones, Psychology Instructor
- M.Ed. Master of Education in Counseling: Human Relations
  Northern Arizona University in Yuma
- B.S. in Elementary Education
  Northern Arizona University in Yuma
- A.A. in General Honors Studies
  Arizona Western College, Yuma

Laure has been an adjunct Psychology instructor for EAC the past two years and has full-time teaching experience at Safford, Silver City, and Yuma. Ms. Jones has worked as a Guidance Counselor for Thatcher Unified Schools and most recently for Safford Unified Schools. At the postsecondary level, she was Assistant Director of Admissions at Western New Mexico University and Student Activities Coordinator and Program Coordinator at Arizona Western College.
Greg Watson, Business Instructor
- Master of Business Administration (MBA)
  University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
- B.A. in Business Administration
  William Penn University, Oskaloosa, IA

Mr. Watson comes to us from Pima Community College where he has been teaching business, management, and ecommerce courses. Previously, he taught accounting, economics, and management courses at William Penn University. Greg has practical business and accounting experience that includes serving as the research analyst for the Appropriations Committee of the Iowa House of Representatives, working as the Administrative Director for a non-profit organization, and as an entrepreneur. His background includes development of corporate strategy and goals and venture capital financing in the tourism and hospitality field.

ATHLETIC TRAINER

Steve Orme, Athletic Trainer
- M.Ed. Master of Education with a concentration in Sports Medicine
  University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA
- B.S. in Exercise Science with an emphasis in Athletic Training
  Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

In addition to his education, Steve is certified as an athletic trainer by the National Athletic Trainer’s Association Board of Certification, is certified in CPR/AED for the Healthcare Provider, is a certified American Red Cross Instructor of CPR/AED, and is a member of the National Athletic Trainers’ Association. Most recently, he has been at Hanover College in Hanover, IN, working as an Assistant Athletic Trainer. Prior to that, he worked as an Assistant Athletic Trainer for four years at Lebanon Valley College in Annville, PA. While at BYU, Steve interned for the New York Jets.