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IN THE SPOTLIGHT
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How long have you been a Rocket and in what capacity?

I returned to UT in 2004 to finish my degree, started working at the Writing Center, taught composition as a T.A., and wound up in the College of Graduate Studies in 2010, where I've been ever since.

How would you describe your job?

I jokingly call it the "Frankenjob" because I have very distinct areas of responsibility,

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MESSAGE FROM THE VICE—CHAIR

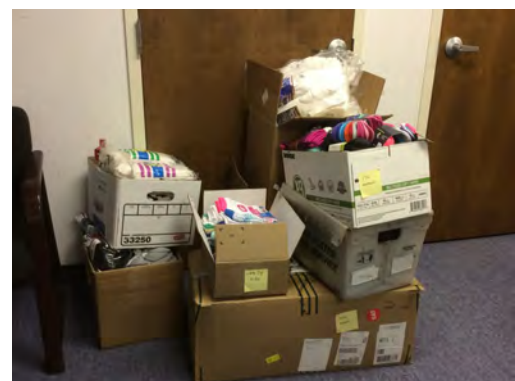
Welcome 2018! Hope everyone had Happy Holidays and a great start to the New Year! The Professional Staff Council is looking forward to 2018 and plans to bring PSA members continued professional development activities over the next few months. The PSA scholarship application is now open and we hope to award at least four students with a scholarship for the next academic year. If you know of any deserving students, encourage them to apply. Please remember that our annual PSA meeting will be in May on the Health Science Campus and we will share more information in regards to a speaker at a later date. Stay warm and **Go Rockets!**



Jamie Fager, MBA

WE'RE GETTING WARMER!

In December, the Professional Staff Council organized a sock drive for Hannah's Socks, a local charity that distributes new socks to people affected by homelessness, poverty, and domestic abuse in Ohio and Southeast Michigan. The University of Toledo community showed their generosity and kindness by donating 815 pairs of socks. That's a total of 1,630 feet that will be toastier this winter. Thanks UT and **Go Rockets!**



Some of the socks collected during the drive to be sent to local charity Hannah's Socks.



IN THE SPOTLIGHT *continued*

ranging from providing electronic thesis/dissertation services to developing and delivering professional development programming for all graduate students. I am also the inclusion officer and ADA liaison for COGS, which is very important to me.

What distinguishes UT from other workplaces?

I've worked in a variety of fields, from floral designing to insurance sales, and in my opinion, the people who work here make all the difference in the world. The vast majority of UT employees are collaborative, inclusive and truly want to make a difference in this world.

What resources from UT are your "must-haves" to perform your job?

Opportunities for professional training (diversity, time management, etc.), a double-monitor (still holding out for a third one!), consistent and clear communication from all with whom I work, and the freedom to manage my own schedule and work duties.

What is your favorite thing about UT?

I know so many others say the same thing, but I absolutely love our campuses. I'm an architecture buff and the consistent application of the College Gothic aesthetic to our buildings thrills me to no end.

Can you tell us something about yourself that most people don't know or would be surprised to learn?

There's actually quite a bit—I've lived a lot in my 51 years. Most recently, though, I joined the Glass City Rollers derby team, which was a dream of mine. Alas, my knees (and back & hips) didn't let me out of Fresh Meat status, though I did serve as bout coordinator for the 2015-2016 season and on their board as the PR director.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP SERIES RETURNS FOR 2018

Professional Staff Council and the Professional Development Committee have scheduled the first workshop of 2018 for Wednesday, February 14th from 12—1 pm in Rocket Hall 1530 (the Rocket Room). [Professor Jay Rinsen Weik](#), director of The University of Toledo Mindfulness and Creativity Initiative, will give an introduction to the practice of seated mindfulness meditation. Registration details will be forthcoming, so watch for the next PSA Blast to secure your spot. Save the date and come learn how to reduce stress in the midst of a hectic life. It's also Valentine's Day, so love yourself first!





Have a suggestion for our next newsletter? Ever considered nominating someone for the Spotlight feature? Did you attend a PSA or UT event and have pictures to share? Let us know with a simple email to utpsc@utoledo.edu



Professional Staff Association has a Facebook page! [Like and follow us](#) for announcements, event photos, and the occasional fun, motivational post! Want to be in the spotlight, or know someone who should? Nominate yourself or a colleague for a Spotlight feature in an upcoming newsletter with our new web nomination form, available on the [PSA website](#).

UT email is migrating to Office 365. Do you often get a full email mailbox? You'll soon have 750 more MB of storage, plus 1 TB of One Drive personal storage, increased mobility to use Online Office applications across devices, and Office ProPlus Software available for download. IT has begun the migration to Office 365, starting with the Health Science Campus, and expects the full process to take about 6 - 9 months for the entire employee population. You'll be notified by email approximately one week prior to your migration date. For questions and issues, [contact your IT support team](#) or visit the [FAQ page](#).

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DID YOU MAKE A NEW YEAR'S FITNESS RESOLUTION?

Fitness and Wellness programs through [UTREC FITWELL](#) offer everything you need to accomplish your goals at The University of Toledo. With Rocket-Ex Group Exercise classes, new Karate programs, personal training and fitness assessments, the Rec Center is ready to meet your recreational, fitness, and learning goals! Rocket-Ex Group Exercise classes resume January 16th, so don't get left out in the cold!



Group exercise, small group & personal training, fitness assessment



3 pools, hot tub, sauna, swim lessons, beach volleyball, first aid lessons



UT Warriors: archery, canoeing, kayaking, climb wall, high ropes, team building

Student Rec Center and Pool - Main Campus
Morse Fitness Center - Health Science Campus
For more information, visit
www.utoledo.edu/studentaffairs/rec



**The Professional Staff
Association is Now Accepting
PSA Scholarship Applications
for the 2018—2019 Academic
Year**

The PSA Scholarship application is now open and winter break is a great time for students to apply! This application requires one letter of recommendation from a PSA member, so winter break is a great time to write your letters as well!

The PSA scholarship is awarded annually to part-time or full-time students who are currently enrolled at The University of Toledo. Qualified applicants must have at least 30 earned hours (sophomore standing) and hold a 2.5 GPA (on a 4.0 scale) by time of application for eligibility. Students must submit their completed application (to include 3 personal/professional references, their 500-word essay, as well as one letter of recommendation from a current UT PSA employee) to Deborah Krohn, PSA Scholarship Chair, by mail, drop off to Stranahan Hall Suite 1022, or email (as one PDF attachment) from their UT Rockets email account only to deborah.krohn@utoledo.edu

Applications must be received or, if sent by mail, **postmarked by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 16, 2018 for consideration**; no exceptions. The application and submission information are available on the [Professional Staff Association webpage](#). For questions, concerns, or a copy of the full letter soliciting applications to send to students, contact Deborah Krohn. The details will also be sent out through PSA email announcements to share with students.



10th Annual
Celebrity Wait
Night:
Celebrating 40
Years of the
Eberly Center!

Purchase tickets by going to
www.utoledo.edu/centers/eberly/waitnight.html

Thursday, February 8

6 - 9 p.m.

Parkway Place
Maumee, Ohio

Join us for a night of food, fun and
friends while supporting women
throughout our community.
All proceeds benefit the Women's
Success Series and Kate's Closet.

