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# Libraries and College of Humanities and Social Sciences partner to launch new Center for Mason



#### Legacies

The newly established Center for Mason Legacies (CML) is a joint initiative between the Libraries and CHSS that unifies scholarly research, public history, teaching innovation, and community outreach by engaging student researchers in studying the past and present influences of the university's namesake. CML is led by George Oberle (History Librarian and faculty member in the Department of History and Art History), along with two associate directors, Wendi Manuel-Scott (professor of history, integrative studies, women and gender studies, and African and African-American Studies) and Benedict Carton (faculty member in the Department of History and Art History), and an advisory board of CHSS faculty. Read the full announcement here and visit CML's new website here.



### Libraries raising funds to support student research

The University Libraries is raising funds to create a new endowment in support of excellence in student research at Mason. The Libraries' Student Research Endowment will provide recognition and monetary support for Mason students by funding a new Graduate Student Fellowship and a new

Undergraduate Student Research Prize each academic year. The Libraries believes student research skills learned today at Mason benefit the lives of many in the future, as is demonstrated by the current output by both students and faculty research efforts related to the crucial field of global public health. If you would like to support student research and education, please join us here or e-mail our Director of Development, Kathleen Kehoe.

#### Samuel Clowes Huneke and Andrea Weeks named 2020-21 Fenwick Fellows

At the opening of the fall semester, Dean of Libraries and University Librarian John G. Zenelis announced the annual Fenwick Fellow award recipients for 2020-21: Samuel Clowes Huneke, Assistant Professor, Department of History and Art History, and Andrea Weeks, Associate Professor, Department of Biology. Professor Huneke's research proposal, *Visualizing Authoritarianism*, is a three-part project concentrated on examining the East German regime's visual propaganda and how it changed over time, through examination of the East German poster collection held by the Libraries' Special Collections Research Center (SCRC). Professor Weeks' research proposal, *The Extended Specimen Project*, seeks to explore the extended specimen concept in relation to the curation of natural history collections using the methods of digital scholarship by focusing on an orphaned research collection recently acquired by the University Herbarium. Professors Huneke and Weeks will present on the outcomes of their projects in spring of 2022 at the annual Fenwick Fellow Lecture hosted by the University Libraries. Read more about their projects here.

## 50th reunion & recognition of the class of 1970

On October 15, the Libraries and the Alumni Association hosted a vitual reunion for the Class of 1970. Bob Vay, Digital Collections and Exhibitions Archivist, shared a video of 1970 highlights and



facilitated a conversation with the alumni about their experiences at the then George Mason College. Read more about the evening <u>here</u>.





New virtual exhibit - Call & Response:
Structures

<u>Fenwick Gallery</u> is pleased to host "Call & Response: Structures," a collaborative exhibition between

Mason's School of Art and Creative Writing program. Call & Response is an annual collaboration between writers and visual artists, including a dynamic set of paired literary and art works that resonate and speak to contemporary issues. Read more about the exhibition <a href="here">here</a>, and view the digital exhibition <a href="here">here</a>. A related <a href="here">literary reading</a> will take place on November 17, as part of the Fall for the Book festival.

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