

THE FACULTY

Faculty members at Cottey College are selected on the basis of academic preparation, teaching effectiveness, experience in their teaching fields, and commitment to the philosophy of the liberal arts and Cottey. Ninety percent possess the doctorate or terminal degree within their field. Dates indicate the year of appointment to the faculty or staff.

Kristina Adams, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of Secondary Education. B.S.Ed., M.Ed., Ph.D., University of Oklahoma (2018)

Rusalyn Andrews, Professor of Theatre and Speech. Margaret Emily Stoner Professor of Speech and Drama. B.S., Southwest Missouri State University; M.S., Illinois State University; Ph.D., Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. (1997)

Carmen Bourbon, Professor of Spanish. B.A., University of Puerto Rico; M.A., Inter American University of Puerto Rico; Ph.D., University of Nebraska at Lincoln. (2007)

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Wei Cui, Assistant Professor of Mathematics. B.S., M.S., Guizhou University, China; M.A., Ph.D., The University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa. (2016)

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Kathryn Pivak, Professor of English. Hattie B. Touhy Associate Professor of English. B.A., Notre Dame College of Ohio; M.A., Kent State University, Ohio; Ph.D., Duquesne University, Pennsylvania. (2006)

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Kathryn Taylor, Associate Professor of Computer Science. B.S., Eastern Kentucky University; M.S., Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. (1999)

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Kanji Watanabe, Professor of International Relations and Political Science. B.A., Osaka Kyoiku University, Japan; M.A., Humboldt State University, California; Ph.D., Northern Arizona University. (2008)

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Patricia Bobbett, Executive Assistant to the President and Secretary to the Board. (1987)

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ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

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Adam Dean, Director of Academic Computing. (1997)

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Traci Borders, Faculty Secretary. A.A., Vatterott College, Missouri. (2015)

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Tatiana Jones, Library Technician/Cataloger. M.S., Volgograd Institute of Civil Engineering, Russia. (2008)

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Jeane Fahle, Campus Visit Coordinator. (2002)

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Carrie Dreyer, Administrative Secretary. A.A., Cottey College. (1987)

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STUDENT LIFE

Landon Adams, Vice President for Student Life. B.S., Missouri Southern State University; M.B.A., Adams State University, Colorado; Ed.D. Lindenwood University, Missouri. (2019)

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