

## **Program Committee** <sup>[1]</sup>

### **Fiscal Strategy Committee**

#### **Joanne Addison**



**Joanne Addison, PhD**  
Interim Academic Director  
Department of English, University of Colorado Denver

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Joanne's research has been closely tied to her teaching, service, and administrative work throughout her academic career whether working as Director of Composition, Co-Directing the Denver Writing Project, serving as Chair of Faculty Assembly, or developing a campus-wide mentoring program. At the heart of her work is a desire to empower people through increased

access to written literacy. Joanne's most recent co-authored book, *Writing and School Reform* (2017), focuses on the barriers to accessing written literacy in the articulation from high school to college. She is currently working in the areas of critical media literacy and digital ethics in an effort to expand our theoretical and pedagogical responses to the current challenges and opportunities of mass digital writing.

## **David Anderson**



### **David Anderson, PhD**

Senior Faculty Associate to Information Technology  
Director of the Faculty Resource Center  
Chair of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

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David Anderson, PhD, Senior Faculty Associate to Information Technology, Director of the Faculty Resource Center, and Chair of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, has over 30 years of experience developing and implementing technology in teaching and learning.

## Spencer Ellis



**Spencer Ellis**  
Director of Educational Innovation  
Colorado Department of Higher Education

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Spencer Ellis currently serves as Director of Educational Innovation at the Colorado Department of Higher Education, with primary duties focused on expanding OER and open education in the state. .

## Alex McDaniel



**Alex McDaniel**  
Educational Training Center  
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Alex McDaniel helps instructors integrate technology into their courses at the Education Technology Center.

## **Geoff Rubinstein**



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Geoff Rubinstein is the Director for Independent Learning at the University of Colorado Boulder.

## **David Thomas**

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CU Online - Academic Technology Director

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After leaving a career in corporate training, technology and product development, David happily returned to the university. He found a home at CU Online, supporting faculty and helping build out the various training and support offerings CU Online provides to faculty. When not heading up the able academic technology services team, David works on his PhD in planning and design in the College of Architecture and Planning where he researches the question, "What makes a place fun?"

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Chris Luchs is the Associate Dean of the Career and Technical Education at Colorado Community College System (CCCS).

**Praveen Shanbhag**



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Founder & CEO of NameCoach

Systemic racism and the events that have unfolded across America over the past few months serve as an urgent reminder of the continued change needed in our society and its institutions. As members of the ed-tech community, it is crucial that we are attuned to the racial injustices in a larger sense and are aware that this issue is present in every aspect of our work in higher education. The panel will be a conversation about creating a culture of diversity and inclusion and taking actionable steps toward equality for all.

NameCoach is a tech company that aims to solve the common problem of name mispronunciation and gender pronoun communication in as many critical settings as possible. It provides audio name pronunciations embedded online to easily learn and remember how to say them.

## **Content Strategy Committee**

### **Amy Kahn**

Dr. Kahn began her career as a diversity management consultant to healthcare, corporate, and educational clients. She is a former Quality Matters Master Reviewer and is a member of the Higher Learning Commission Peer Corps.

### **Lisha Bustos**



**Lisha Bustos, M.A.**

Manager of the Instructional Design Service Center  
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Lisha Bustos, MA, currently serves as the manager of the instructional design service center at the Skaggs School of Pharmacy, CU Denver. In this role she is able to fulfill her passions by providing pedagogical training and technology aid to the faculty. Course coordination and program support also fall under her purview. After receiving her MA in Education from Adams State University, she taught middle school humanities and college prep courses at Adams State. Recent projects include expanding the reach of instructional design across the AMC campus, participation in faculty peer evaluations, and the curriculum revival for the School of Pharmacy. When Lisha isn't spreading the word about the value of instructional design, she can be found in her garden, playing with her toddlers and teenagers, or actively participating in Denver's food scene.

## **Helen MacFarlane**



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Helen MacFarlane is an Assistant Professor & Director of Educational Technology, University of Colorado School of Medicine.

## **Kate Miller**



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Kate Miller's interests rest in a fusion of technology, universal design, and accessibility. Kate's current position is the access and usability manager for the Office of Information and Technology (OIT), which serves both the CU Denver and CU Anschutz campuses.

Kate's aim is to improve the access of all of the technologies and applications OIT is responsible for implementing. Her areas of constant curiosity include equity, diversity, inclusion, leadership in higher education, and organizational structure.

Kate has a master's degree in educational leadership with a focus on student affairs in higher

education and is now pursuing her doctorate in leadership for educational equity.

## **Jacie Moriyama**



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Jacie Moriyama is a Teaching and Learning Consultant for ASSETT at CU-Boulder. ASSETT stands for Arts & Science Support of Education Through Technology. Prior to joining ASSETT, Jacie worked for the Office of Information Technology at CU-Boulder for five years as an Academic Technology Consultant serving the Leeds School of Business. Jacie has extensive experience in providing pedagogical expertise to faculty who are interested in integrating instructional technologies into their curriculum. This experience extends from face-to-face, hybrid, online, and flipped models of course delivery. While the focus of her career has been in Instructional Design, Jacie's diverse background also includes managing an Educational Broadcast Television Studio, Faculty of Instructional Design, Lecturer, and Faculty Development Coordinator. While she's not at work, you can often find Jacie spending time with her family, cooking, traveling, or starting a new project that she found through Pinterest.

## **Christopher Haynes**



**Dr. Christopher Haynes**

Associate Director for Learning Experience Design  
University of Colorado Boulder

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Dr. Christopher Haynes is Associate Director for Learning Experience Design for the Office of Strategic Initiatives at the University of Colorado Boulder. He works with faculty, departments, and university administration to design and produce online courses and degree programs. Dr. Haynes received his PhD in English Literature from CU Boulder in 2017. His academic research explores the intersections of humanist education, digital mediation, and critical university studies. In addition to his scholarship, he is a regular contributor to the online publication Inside Digital Learning.

**Allison O'Grady**



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As an Instructional Support Specialist for University College, I have the privilege of working with adjunct faculty on a daily basis to help them achieve quality results from graduate and undergraduate courses. This position affords me the opportunity to assist faculty with course design and assessment measure, implement new technology into UCOL courses, train faculty in the use of instructional design strategies, and assist in planning strategic initiatives to enhance academic quality at University College. As a member of the Academic Quality and Development team, I work with a team of four colleagues to continuously assess and improve the academic quality of University College. Areas of Specialty: Adult Learning and Development, Course Analytics, Faculty Hiring & Records Management, New Faculty Training & Development.

## **Kae Novak**



**Kae Novak**  
Online Student Success Coordinator  
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Kae Novak is an Instructional Designer, Student Engagement and Assessment for Online

Learning at Front Range Community College. She earned her Master of Educational Technology at Boise State University. She is currently the Principal Investigator for Games Based Learning MOOC project, which is part of the Colorado Community College System (CCCS) Immersive and Games-Based Learning Challenged Program.

## Walter Pedigo



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Walt Pedigo is the Manager of the Academic Technology Center (ATC) for the Community College of Denver. The ATC's primary mission for the college is to provide a technology setting conducive to engaging students, faculty, and staff in the pursuit of their educational goals.

Walt has a Bachelor's degree in Psychology with an emphasis in Human Factors from Metropolitan State University of Denver and a Master's degree in Curriculum and Learning Technologies from Grand Canyon University. He has also served as a member of the President's Diversity and Inclusion Council, as well as the Provost's Learning Support Task Force. When looking for Walt, you would most likely find him reading about, or working with technology, and happily sharing his tech knowledge with others for mutual enrichment.

Walt's previous work experience is varied, but always has a technical edge. At National Jewish Hospital, he started as a Cardio/Pulmonary Technician and morphed the position into Technical Writer. When at Qwest, he was a Software Engineer, Systems Administrator for corporate test servers, and Corporate Trainer in Software Test. As the ATC Manager, for Walt it is an amalgam of everything it takes to smoothly run a computer lab serving all types of learners, across all levels of skills and all courses of study, including staffing and keeping the budget balanced. Personal interests include reading, movies, interesting food, camping, photography, good food, digital drawing, general foodie, and renovating the 80-year old home he grew up in.

## Greg Wells



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**Education:**

BA History, BS Computer Science, MS Computer Information Systems, MS Organizational Management and Leadership

**Technical Background:**

Wells served in a capacity of roles at Hewlett-Packard from 1990-2009. Those roles included test engineer, vendor manager, project manager and program manager and managed software and hardware projects at the retail and enterprise level.

**Teaching Background:**

Affiliate Faculty at Regis University (Computer Information Systems), since 1996 Wells taught in both the classroom and online during those eighteen years and developed courses as an Affiliate Faculty.

**Instructional Design:**

From 2009-2014 Wells served as an Instructional Designer for Regis University assisting development teams in producing quality online courses for Regis. In September 2014, he moved to Colorado State University and I am currently serving as an Instructional Designer.

## **Committee Chairs**

### **Jaimie Henthorn**



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COLTT Conference Coordinator  
Office of Academic Affairs  
University of Colorado

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Jaimie Henthorn works across CU campuses and other high education institutions in the state and nationally to innovate and facilitate the annual COLTT conference, a regional cornerstone for educational technology. She also plays a key role in state authorization compliance for all CU campuses and is involved in all other ODEE projects as Project Manager. Henthorn is also a lecturer in the College of Architecture and Planning at CU Denver. She received a BA from Northwestern University, an MFA from Edinburgh College of Art, and is completing a PhD in artistic practice as research at University of College London.

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