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- Regina Kilkenny, PhD, Chief of Staff, Office of the Chancellor, University of Colorado Denver

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### Chair

**Venkateshwar ‘Venkat’ Reddy, PhD**  
CU Denver Chancellor Search Committee Chair  
Chancellor  
University of Colorado Colorado Springs

Venkat Reddy serves as the Chancellor and Professor of Finance at the University of Colorado Colorado Springs (UCCS). He received his PhD and MS degrees from Penn State. Prior to his appointment as Chancellor, he served as the Dean of the College of Business at UCCS. As Dean of the College of Business for over twelve years, Dr. Reddy helped with expansion of the college in terms of people, programs and rankings. He engaged actively with the alumni and the community through a variety of programs. In 2010, Dr. Reddy was
instrumental in helping launch the Daniels Fund Ethics Initiative at UCCS.

In his role as Chancellor, he works closely with the University of Colorado President’s office and campus and community leaders in continuing the positive trajectory of UCCS, focusing on academic excellence, expansion of online education and cybersecurity initiatives and ensuring robust progress and development of public private partnerships. He serves on the boards of the Colorado Springs Chamber and Economic Development Council and the National Cyber Security Center among others. Currently he is in the process of engaging the campus and the community in developing the 2030 Strategic Plan to ensure bright futures for all stakeholders.

Dean Representative

Pamela Jansma, Ph.D.
Dean
Professor of Geography & Environmental Sciences
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
University of Colorado Denver

Pamela Jansma is the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (CLAS), a role she has held since September 2014. CLAS is the largest college/school at CU Denver with over 5,500 undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in 16 departments and programs. She has held academic and administrative positions at several universities, including the University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez, where she began as an assistant professor and became the Associate Dean of Research for the College of Arts and Sciences, and the University of Arkansas, where she was Chair of Geosciences.

In 2008, she assumed the position of Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at New Mexico State University. She relocated to the University of Texas at Arlington in 2009 where she served as Dean of the College of Science for five years. Her research expertise is in using the Global Positioning System to examine deformation of the Earth’s surface with emphasis on the seismic hazard of the Caribbean region. She has procured funding from federal agencies to support both her research and educational programs designed to improve diversity and student success in STEM fields. She received her BS from Stanford University and MS and PhD from Northwestern University. She was a National Research Council Post-Doctoral Fellow at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

Faculty Representatives

Carlos P. Hipolito-Delgado, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
School of Education and Human Development | Counseling
University of Colorado Denver

Dr. Carlos P. Hipolito-Delgado is an Associate Professor in Counseling at the University of Colorado Denver. He received his Ph.D. in Counselor Education from the University of Maryland College Park. Dr. Hipolito-Delgado’s research interests include the sociopolitical development of students of color, the ethnic identity development of Latinas/os/xs and
Chicanas/os/xs, the effects of internalized racism on communities of color, and training to improve the cultural competence of counselors.

Dr. Hipolito-Delgado has received over 2.8 million dollars in grants from such prestigious funders as the American Educational Research Association, the Spencer Foundation, the Hewlett foundation, and the William T. Grant Foundation to study the sociopolitical development of youth. Through this grant work he has developed assessments on the quality of youth civic performances and the impact of action civics curriculum on the academic engagement, civic engagement, and sociopolitical development of youth. He is currently studying the academic and socioemotional impact of action civics on students of color in Denver Public Schools.

Dr. Hipolito-Delgado is a Governing Council representative for the American Counseling Association, the Past-Chair of the American Counseling Association Foundation, and the Past-President for the Association for Multicultural Counseling and Development (AMCD). He also serves on the editorial board for the *Journal for Social Action Research in Counseling and Psychology*. Dr. Hipolito-Delgado was honored in March of 2011 with the Young Emerging Leader Award and in March 2013 with the Professional Development Award by AMCD.

**Stephanie A. Santorico, PhD**  
Professor and Director of Statistical Programs  
Co-director of Graduate Programs for Department of Mathematical & Statistical Sciences  
University of Colorado Denver

Stephanie Santorico, Ph.D., is Professor and Director of Graduate Studies and Statistical Programs in the Department of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences at CU Denver with appointments in the Department of Biostatistics & Informatics, the Human Medical Genetics and Genomics Program, and the Division of Biomedical Informatics and Personalized Medicine. Dr. Santorico’s research, which has been funded through multiple NIH awards, is highly interdisciplinary, bridging the areas of statistics and genetics. This has included methods and techniques for detecting genetic variation that associates with human disease, and more recently, translational research working towards disease subtypes that could inform medical treatment.

Stephanie is heavily involved in understanding the genetic factors that contribute to vitiligo, an autoimmune disease that causes progressive skin bleaching. She was a central contributor to the NIH-funded FaceBase program, which is working to understand the genetic factors that cause variation in facial features for children with a breadth of genetic disorders. Furthermore, her work with the Denver Police Department’s world-class crime lab, and her collaborations with the Denver Museum of Nature and Science and other public-facing science initiatives wholly embody CU’s engagement with the broader community. She strives to use her portfolio of impactful research to contextualize instruction and provide real opportunities for all students to contribute to science.

**Vivian Shyu, PhD**  
Associate Professor, Clinical Teaching Track  
Department of Psychology  
University of Colorado Denver
Vivian Shyu is a faculty member of the CU Denver campus. Through her career with the Psychology Department, she has gone from teaching as a part-time Lecturer in 2008, to a rostered position as a Senior Instructor in 2010, to her current rank as an Associate Professor on the Clinical Teaching Track in 2017. Throughout that time, she has had the privilege of teaching thousands of undergraduate students, and has actively served the University at all levels. She teaches primarily behavioral and cognitive neuroscience classes, and prioritizes her ongoing professional development as educator.

Currently, Vivian’s research activities focus on the pedagogy and quality of online instruction. In her dedication to the University, she advocates for all Instructional Faculty through her leadership role as President of UCDALI (the shared governance association of Instructional Faculty on the downtown campus). She is also a member of the CU system-level educational policy and standards committee (EPUS), and a CLAS representative on the CU Denver faculty assembly.

While her commitment to the University and her students take professional priority, she works hard to strike a healthy work-life balance. This year, three of her four children are in college, and her fourth has a new wife and daughter, so “life” is full of opportunities for fun. Her favorite ways to spend home-time are doing just about anything with her family (especially that new grandbaby!), hikes with her husband and their two small poodle-dogs, travel, and her new hobby, fish.

Staff Representatives:

Laurie Baefsky
Associate Dean of Research & Strategic Partnerships
College of Arts & Media
University of Colorado Denver

Laurie Baefsky joined the University of Colorado Denver’s College of Arts & Media as associate dean of research & strategic partnerships in fall 2018. Prior to moving to Denver, she was with the University of Michigan (2014-18), where she served as executive director of ArtsEngine and Alliance for the Arts in Research Universities (a2ru). Through a2ru she worked nationally to strengthen arts, design, and transdisciplinary arts in higher education, and has forwarded national initiatives in placemaking, arts in health, arts entrepreneurship, and arts-science-technology platforms. She served as grants manager with the Utah Division of Arts and Museums (2014); and established the USU ArtsBridge program at Utah State University (2007-11), an arts-based interdisciplinary community engaged learning initiative.

Formerly on the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine’s report committee which issued the 2018 consensus report, Integration of the Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine with the Arts and Humanities at the Undergraduate and Graduate Level, Laurie currently serves on the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) Fundamental Role of the Arts and Humanities in Medical Education Integration Committee. Trained as a classical flutist and music educator, she holds degrees in flute performance from Stony Brook University, University of Michigan, and California State University, Fullerton. She has appeared with the Minnesota Orchestra, Utah Symphony, was a 15-year member of the
Virginia Symphony, and founding fellow with the New World Symphony. As a soloist and chamber music performer, appearances range from Symphony Space and Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, to Morocco and Umbria, Italy.

Celina Duran
Director of Financial Analysis
Office of the President, University of Colorado

Celina Duran joined the University of Colorado in September 2015 as the Director of Financial Policy Analysis. In her role, she is responsible for collaborating with the campus budget directors on the University budget process and Board presentations. She provides support to the Budget and Finance office in the development of the annual budget, assists in preparing responses to internal and external constituent requests for finance related policy questions. During the legislative session, she manages fiscal note responses to legislation in collaboration with campuses.

Prior to joining CU, Celina worked at the Colorado Department of Higher Education (CDHE) specializing in financial aid policy and tuition classification. She has experience with state higher education finance policy, performance funding, and the statewide budget process. She has a Master’s in Public Administration from the University of Colorado Denver.

Natalie Yslas
Operation Services Admission Specialist
Office of Undergraduate Admissions K-12 Outreach
University of Colorado Denver

Natalie Yslas has been working at CU Denver since October 2015 in the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. She has been an active member of the CU Denver community and serves on Staff Council as Secretary. Natalie graduated from Northern Arizona University with a bachelor’s degree in Business Administration in 2011.

Student Representatives

Daniel Casillas
University of Colorado Denver

Daniel Casillas is currently a second-year undergraduate student at the University of Colorado Denver, majoring in Biology to eventually attend Physician Assistant school. He is a proud Hispanic as well as a first-generation college student and am eager to represent those with similar backgrounds. Daniel has served as a Senator and now serve as the Vice Chair of the Student Fee Review Committee (SFRC) for the university. He is now a Medical Assistant at the Health Center at Auraria, as well as the founder and captain of the Men’s Volleyball team.

His time at the university has provided him with numerous opportunities such as getting involved in Student Government and being able to provide an outlet for students by forming the Men’s Volleyball team. Daniel stands boldly, representing and enabling the marginalized and/or underrepresented students at the university, as well as the tribes (Cheyennes, Arapahoes and the Utes) displaced by the Auraria Campus. Through the incorporation and cooperation of the students, faculty and staff at the university, he hopes to one day see
academia as the gold standard for diversity and inclusion.

Kai H. Eldredge
University of Colorado Denver

Kai Eldredge is a second-year graduate student in the three-year-track Master of Architecture program in the College of Architecture and Planning where she also serves as treasurer on the board of the American Institute of Architecture Students, CU Denver Chapter. Prior to devoting herself to architecture, she graduated with honors from the University of Chicago with a Bachelors of Science in Geophysical Sciences. Her love of travel, adventure, and science led her to naval research in Mississippi, working for Vail Resorts and skiing in Vail, laboratory coordination in Antarctica for the United States Antarctic Program, and research coordination at Denver Botanic Gardens.

Alumni/Community Representatives

Sam Bailey
Vice President of Economic Development
Metro Denver Economic Development Corporation

Sam Bailey serves as Vice President of Economic Development at the Metro Denver Economic Development Corporation (Metro Denver EDC), Colorado’s largest private economic development organization. The Metro Denver EDC covers a nine-county territory and leads Colorado’s proactive economic development efforts. As Vice President of Economic Development, Sam oversees the global business recruitment, retention, and expansion efforts of the Metro Denver region working in partnership with state, county, and local economic developers to secure job creation and capital investment projects. Prior to joining the Metro Denver EDC, Sam led the Jefferson County Economic Development Corporation as Chief Executive Officer and served under Governor Hickenlooper in the Office of Economic Development and International Trade for the State of Colorado.

Anthony E. Graves
Director of External Affairs for Denver Economic Development and Opportunity, City of Denver

Anthony serves as the Director of External Affairs for Denver Economic Development and Opportunity where he cultivates public affairs strategies for the city’s economic development agenda to advance an inclusive an innovative economy for all Denver residents, business and neighborhoods. He also leads Denver’s Economic Equity agenda for the agency and is working with his team to create systems, policies and programs to advance economic growth and opportunities for all communities in Denver.

Prior to joining Denver’s Economic Development Agency, Anthony served as the Director of Regional Affairs for the City & County of Denver where he was appointed by the Honorable Mayor Michael B. Hancock in July of 2013. As Denver’s regional and intergovernmental affairs chief, Graves served as a senior member of the Administration and advised the Mayor and cabinet on matters related to regional political, economic and governmental affairs.

Before joining the Denver city government, Graves served as the Director of Government and
Community Affairs at VISIT DENVER, The Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Anthony earned a B.A. in History at DePauw University in Greencastle, IN, an International M.B.A. from the DANIELS College of Business at the University of Denver and a certificate in Economic Development from the Oklahoma University Economic Development Institute. He, his wife Sakari and their five-year-old daughter Kinley enjoy reading together as a family and playing fetch with their dog Yogo in their backyard.

**Patty Imhoff**
**Managing Partner**
**Katherine Grace Investments LLC**

Patty is the Managing Partner of Katherine Grace Investments LLC, a Real Estate Development company she founded in 2005 and co-owner of Angel’s Share LLC, a Washington State Winery and Oregon vineyard operation. She was formerly Managing Partner of American Polycom, a plastics distribution company she owned from 1995 to 2007. Following her Bachelors Degree in International Affairs and Masters Degree in Business Administration from the University of Colorado, Patty began her career as a National Bank Examiner for the United States Treasury Department.

Ms. Imhoff is the former Chair of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission and served for 15 years as a Director and Secretary/Treasurer of the Denver Metropolitan Major League Baseball Commission. She has been appointed by four consecutive Governors of Colorado on State Commissions and has been an official Delegate for the State of Colorado on trade missions including Great Britain, Ireland, Germany, the Czech Republic, Mexico, Chile and Argentina, as well as serving on Mayor Wellington Webb’s China Advisory Council.

Patty has served on Advisory Boards for the CU Denver Business School and co-chaired its Celebration of Success Gala. She founded the Denver Field Hockey Club, which provides opportunities for college scholarships for girls K-12. Patty currently serves on the Kempe Foundation Board, the Colorado Rockies Community Council, and was a Director for Easter Seals Colorado and The Children’s Hospital Disabled Sports Program which established the Courage Bicycle Classic. Patty and her husband Michael, continue to serve Colorado Communities on multiple corporate and non-profit Boards.

**Gary Meggison**
**Construction Advisor**
Gary is a 1981 University of Colorado Denver, BS, Civil Engineering | 1994 University of Colorado Denver, MBA. He is an advisor and consultant to Denver area commercial construction contractors and provides Owner’s Representation services to building and property owners, developers, project investors and others located in the Denver metro area. Gary has held leadership positions for a variety of industry organizations including president of the Associated General Contractors of Colorado and is involved in other real estate and mineral business interests. At CU, Gary serves on the CU Foundation as a Board Member and on the Foundation’s Board of Directors. He enjoys serving at the Denver campus on the Engineering Leadership Council, the Chancellor’s Development Committee, and has served with the Alumni Association and contributes to both the Engineering and Business Schools. He is the recipient of the 2003 Alumni Mack Easton award. Gary enjoys traveling with his wife, Kathy, and spending time with their daughter, Emily.

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