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Biological Science



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Familiar Faces

Dr. Hilary Snow

Honors College faculty member Hilary Snow got her start at Harvard University. There, she earned a B.A. in Social Anthropology before moving on to Stanford University to earn an M.A. in Art History and a Ph.D. in East Asian Studies.

From there, Professor Snow was hired to teach her first class at UWM in 2013 and her first Honors College course in 2015.

The inspiration to pursue Art History came to her when she was young. After learning Japanese in high school, Professor Snow's interest in the culture was encouraged when she received a scholarship to travel to abroad. She spent one year in Kobe, Japan, and the rest was (art) history.

Some of Professor Snow's courses include, "Portraiture and the Self" and "Museums and Society." During Spring 2020, along with the entire Honors College, she had to adapt her teaching due to the effects of the pandemic.

Professor Snow says the "pandemic has offered her an opportunity" in her museums class, because now she can bring the museums to her students through online technology. The socially distant and virtual setup allows her to get students to engage with speakers from museums across the country.

Professor Snow encourages those who are offered admission to the Honors College to accept it, because she believes the experience can be enriching for students who are looking for something beyond traditional lecture courses.

Her philosophy of "finding a silver lining" during the pandemic has been personally rewarding as well, as she has been able to spend more time with her daughter.

Her ability to adapt to change with positivity and passion inspires Professor Snow's students to do the same and is a hallmark of the Honors College experience.



Kaitlyn Diskin
Film



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Kim Romenesko

For more than thirty years, Kim Romenesko has been working with UWM students in various schools and colleges across campus. Recently, however, she decided to return to the Honors College as a part-time Student Services Coordinator.

"In fact," Kim says, "I had retired when Laura called me and asked me to come back for a short period of time, but that was three whole years ago now."

This isn't Kim's first time working in the Honors College however. Previously, she worked as the Assistant Director for six years, focusing on developing the schedule of classes and organizing Honors College committees.

Deciding to come back thrilled Kim because of the opportunity to work with students again: "It's so nice to be back, especially in a position that isn't solely admin-

istrative because my favorite part of my job is working one-on-one with students."

Prior to working at UWM, Kim was a student here, earning an M.A. in Sociology. After she finished her degree, she stayed because she "had come to love the school and city of Milwaukee so much that [she] just couldn't leave."

When she is not at work, Kim spends as much time as she can outside, exploring nature around Milwaukee. "During the summer, the beaches are the thing that kept me sane," she says, while her love for rock collecting helped as well.

Although her job looks very different this year as she works from home, Kim says she "just feels blessed to be back in any capacity because there is something so special about the Honors College and the camaraderie found here."