

Supporting Faculty Scholarship

Angela Kroese Visser
Dordt University, angela.kroesevisser@dordt.edu

Follow this and additional works at: <https://digitalcollections.dordt.edu/voice>



Part of the [Christianity Commons](#), and the [Higher Education Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

Kroese Visser, Angela (2022) "Supporting Faculty Scholarship," *The Voice*: Vol. 68: Iss. 2, Article 11.
Available at: <https://digitalcollections.dordt.edu/voice/vol68/iss2/11>

This News is brought to you for free and open access by the University Publications at Dordt Digital Collections. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Voice by an authorized editor of Dordt Digital Collections. For more information, please contact ingrid.mulder@dordt.edu.

SUPPORTING FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP

Have you ever had a conversation with someone and marveled at how excited they were about a topic they described? It can be an inspiring experience. Dordt University faculty not only love their students, but they love what they teach—the concepts, new developments, and puzzling questions in their discipline. It is a joy to have conversations with faculty members about the things they love and to help them think about opportunities to explore them further. As the Director of the Kielstra Center, my role is to provide support and opportunities for faculty members to continue to develop ideas, discover new things, and consider puzzling questions.



The Kielstra Center provides support for faculty through internal competitive grants and assistance in applying for external funding. Over the past year, external project proposals have included small requests to regional foundations and large requests to federal funders. Each proposal, whether large or small, reflects an area of study or exploration that the faculty member loves and describes how the project will strengthen Dordt's community.

When a project is funded, the Kielstra Center also provides support to ensure that resources are directed appropriately based on what was proposed, that project reports are submitted (hopefully on time), and that our policies and

procedures meet the program requirements. For example, any project that includes research with human participants must be approved by our Institutional Review Board. We are also responsible for ensuring that policies ensure that researchers do not have any financial conflicts of interest and that research is conducted ethically.

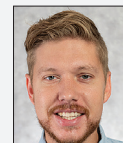
In addition to working with internal and external funding, the Kielstra Center supports the Dordt University summer undergraduate student research program, working with faculty mentors to provide opportunities for students to conduct research and report on their work. Each year, faculty members propose projects that are appropriately scoped for an undergraduate research student with faculty mentorship. During the spring semester, students apply for open positions, faculty mentors select student researchers, and the Kielstra Center works to arrange student contracts and housing and begins planning summer seminars. Summer seminars are held weekly and are a way for faculty members and student researchers to share their work. Summer seminars help the entire campus community to learn more about the ways that Dordt faculty and students are engaged in scholarly work—a sampling of the work they love.

ANGELA KROEZE VISSER ('01)

FACULTY NOTES

Professor Emeritus of Mathematics **Dr. Calvin Jongsma** has had two Mathematical Association of America online reviews published related to books on the history of mathematics. He also gave two talks at the June 2022 Association of Christians in Mathematical Sciences conference at Azusa Pacific University.

Assistant Professor of Economics **Dr. Joshua Hollinger** gave a seminar at the Education Research Section at Princeton University in March. He also presented a poster at the Education Finance and Policy conference in Denver. Both are based on his job market paper, "School Accountability, Test Scores, and Long-Run Outcomes."



In January, Professor of Chemistry and Planetary Sciences **Dr. Channon Visscher** participated in Cloud Zwei Con, an in-person workshop examining clouds in exoplanet and brown dwarf atmospheres. This took place at Ringberg Castle in Bavaria, Germany.



Agriculture Instructor **Gary De Vries** and Professor Emeritus of Engineering **Dr. Nolan Van Gaalen** were recognized for their long-term, dedicated work with the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach when Dordt University received the National Friend of Extension award in November.



GET THE APP!

The easiest way to stay connected to Defender athletics

