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L'Institute de Touraine with a focus on French language — Tours, France
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About: Terry Duvall is an assistant professor of Communication Studies, teaching courses such as Interpersonal Communication, Public Speaking and Intercultural Communication. He also teaches Film Appreciation and courses in the humanities. He finds facilitating student learning in these courses rewarding. The common thread running through these courses is the examination and analysis of shared meaning in the context of the human experience — whether through verbal or nonverbal interaction, film or art. In addition to helping students better position themselves for the job market, Duvall believes they can apply what they learn in these courses to their personal lives.

Duvall also enjoys traveling, reading, going to the cinema, cycling, playing tennis and spending time with his son.

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About: Robert Ellis has been teaching theater and speech at Tri-C since 1995. He also serves as the Collegewide theater coordinator and has directed dozens of productions at the College and in local professional theaters. Ellis served for 12 years on the executive committee of the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival for Region 3. He is also a proud member of the Actors' Equity Association and the Screen Actors Guild.

He has appeared on equity stages throughout Northeast Ohio and in numerous commercial, industrial and film projects. Ellis is represented by the Docherty Talent Agency.

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About: Amy Keller is a communication studies professor, specializing in public speaking and interpersonal communication.

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M.A. in Communication Studies, University of Northern Iowa
B.A. in Communication Studies and Psychology, Upper Iowa University
A.A. in Mass Communication, Yuba Community College

About: Derrick Williams comes from a humble working-class family as the great-grandson of an Alabama Black Belt sharecropper, grandson of a coal miner and son of an ironworker and daycare child educator.

As a first-generation college student, his zeal for teaching can be summed up in three words: motivating, mentoring and modeling.

He has 22 years of experience teaching undergraduate and graduate courses at the University of Northern Iowa, Southern Illinois University,

John A. Logan College, Case Western Reserve University, Baldwin Wallace University and Tri-C's Metro Campus.

His many awards and honors include the Ralph M. Besse Excellence in Teaching Award in 2019, the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Humanities Faculty Fellow in 2019, the League Innovation Community College's Teaching Excellence Award in 2020, the Faculty in Leadership Sustainability Award in 2021 and the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Award in 2022.

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Master of Applied Communication Theory and Methodology in Communication Studies, Cleveland State University

B.A. in Communication Studies, Cleveland State University

Associate of Arts, Tri-C

About: Henry Young was born and raised in Cleveland and is a product of the Cleveland Metropolitan School District, having graduated from Glenville High School. He is also a proud graduate of Tri-C and considers the College his best educational experience — it taught him how to be a student and laid the foundation for his adult life. Prior to his teaching career, Young spent 25 years as a substance abuse counselor in the Greater Cleveland area.

Dr. Young's many honors include being a graduate of Mandel Leadership Development program (2014), the Excellence in Teaching Award in Honor of Ralph M. Besse (2017), the John & Suzanne Roueche Excellence Award Certificate from the League of Innovation (2018), the Faculty Leadership Sustainability Award (2017), and the AAUP Meaning Award (2018).