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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, along with Film Appreciation and courses in the humanities. Duvall 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: Theresa Gromek grew up in a west-side suburb of Cleveland and migrated to the east side to attend John Carroll University. Graduating amidst a national recession, she decided to stick around for another degree, which led her to teaching. In addition to teaching at the Westshore Campus, she is heavily involved in the College's Common Reading program, Faculty Senate and the Mandel Scholars program.

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About: Matt Laferty teaches a broad range of composition, literature and humanities courses. He teaches often in the Mandel Scholars Academy. He has ongoing interests in art, travel, literature (both traditional and experimental) and in a broad spectrum of recorded popular music since the 1920s.

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About: Luke Schlueter is an associate professor of English, specializing in literature, creative and academic writing and the humanities. He is the coordinator of the Honors program at the Western Campus and is deeply involved with the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Humanities Center at Tri-C.

Schlueter earned his Ph.D. in 2000 after writing his dissertation on the ecological and domestic visions of two contemporary American poets, Gary Snyder and Wendell Berry. He continues to present on these poets and others and is a published poet himself. In his teaching and speaking engagements, Schlueter addresses the role of the humanities in human existence and the importance of reading, writing and civil discourse for engaging with the most challenging problems facing individuals and societies in today's world.

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About: In 1999, fresh out of grad school and searching for his second career, Pat Stansberry came to the Tri-C Metro Campus to talk about teaching a class. He was in the classroom a week later. He mostly teaches English courses, from college composition to technical writing to literature, and sometimes teaches humanities classes for the Mandel Scholars Academy.

Between working on comma splices and sentence fragments, Stansberry also does a little writing. His short plays have been performed at the Ingenuity Festival and the Eight-by-Eight Festival of Short Plays. His writing has appeared in *Pivot Magazine*, *Whiskey Island Magazine*, *The Plain Dealer*, *Strange Horizons*, *Potomac* and *Daily Science Fiction*.

Mostly, though, he teaches in an office 10 feet away from where he sat for that first interview.

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