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URI Welcomes New Vice President for Communications and Marketing

by Dave Lavallee

University of Rhode Island President Marc B. Parlange has named Matthew McDonald, associate vice president for communications at the University of Miami, to URI's newly established position of vice president for communications and marketing. McDonald was chosen following a comprehensive national search, and he started Aug. 1 at URI.

"This position will be vital, not only as we develop and finalize the University's 10-year strategic plan, but as we adapt to the evolving nature of the communications, marketing, and media landscape," Parlange said. "I am confident that Matt, with his background and his experience leading diverse teams and utilizing technology-based strategies, will be a tremendous leader and collaborative partner in this next exciting phase of growth and change for URI."

The hiring of McDonald is key to Parlange's elevation of the University's central communications and marketing team and its work to advance the mission and global reputation of the University of Rhode Island. The new position of vice president

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replaces the position of executive director of external relations and communications. Linda Acciaro, who retires at the end of the month, has served as interim executive director of external relations and communications since April 2021.

McDonald, who has two decades of communications and marketing experience, has served as associate vice president for communications at Miami since February 2018. During that time he oversaw several functional units and more than 20 full-time staff members, and, with the vice president, helped lead Miami's entire 45-person communications department.

The University of Miami has a total enrollment of more than 19,000 students, with nearly 12,000 undergraduate students and 7,000 graduate students. URI's total enrollment is

nearly 17,600, with about 15,300 undergraduates and 2,280 graduate students.

As the senior communications administrator at URI, McDonald will provide strategic leadership for the development and implementation of data-informed marketing and communications strategies that engage the University's many audiences and advance URI's reputation locally, nationally, and internationally.

McDonald will report directly to the president as a member of the President's Leadership Council, and will advise the president on and oversee media relations, marketing and branding, internal and external communications, and crisis management. McDonald also will lead efforts to develop and promote a strong social media presence and create strategies to highlight URI's work as the state's flagship public research university. He will work closely with URI's government relations team to support advocacy efforts at the state and federal levels.

As associate vice president at Miami, McDonald helped launch a news platform that highlights original content about the university; executed the rollout of the university's strategic plan and directed three state-of-the-university presidential addresses; introduced department processes that fostered a cohesive, collaborative team environment and culture of equity, transparency, and innovation; and initiated a comprehensive national analysis of the university's reputation and brand awareness among peer institutions.

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URI Shark Camp Gives City Kids a Feel for Marine Science, College Life

by Hugh Markey

A pair of white minivans rolls up on the dirt lot of Wickford Boat Yard. When the doors slide open, a dozen high school kids from Providence emerge, yawning and stretching as if it's much earlier than 9 a.m. They make their way toward the University research vessel *Cap'n Bert*, which will take the group to two different locations to trawl for sharks and other marine life. Some of the students have never been aboard a boat for a saltwater expedition, and they seem a bit quieter than other members of the group.

Welcome to Shark Camp 2022, a week devoted to introducing kids to not only interesting fish but to the possibilities of a university education. Professor Brad Wetherbee, who teaches in the Department of Biological Sciences at the University of Rhode Island, founded the free Shark Camp in 2018. This year's group of 16 will bring the total number of participants to 48.

The program began when Wetherbee noticed that most years his first-year classes lacked diversity. "One of the reasons for this trend is obviously a lack of opportunities that they had when they're younger. They just don't have them. When we had the first campers, that was

pretty obvious. These are kids from Providence. Some of them had never been to the beach before. They've never been on a boat for fishing. They've never even been to the ocean. That's who we're targeting, and the idea is to expose them to experiences they wouldn't get otherwise. That's the whole premise behind this."

And this year, Shark Camp also welcomed Kerry Sanders and a crew from NBC's Today Show.

"Here I am!"

Capt. Steve Barber pilots the boat to the first trawl location. The nets will descend to 20 to 40 feet for about 30 minutes, scooping up animals that get pulled in. Mitch Hazipetro, a research assistant in the URI Fisheries Center, explains how the nets work. Along with the high schoolers are URI students of Wetherbee's, including Maricarmen Serna, from San Antonio, Texas, and Deanna Torres, from Bronx, New York. Both are marine biology majors, and on this trip keep a close watch on the students to keep them on task and for signs of seasickness. One passes out ginger candies, which have a reputation for calming stomachs.

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TODAY SHOW INTERVIEW: URI Professor Brad Wetherbee, left, is interviewed by Kerry Sanders, before Sanders and his crew take part in a Shark Camp trawl. URI photo by Nora Lewis.

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Meanwhile Ariana Elysee, a rising junior at the Met School in Providence, a charter high school with a large minority population, wears large round glasses and talks about how she came aboard. "I've been out on the water before. I'm really interested in marine biology," she said. "My counselor heard about this camp and told me it might be a good idea, and look: here I am!"

Eventually the cables are reeled up, revealing a squirming bundle of life hanging from the now teardrop-shaped nets. A mix of water and hundreds of squirming fish drop into a rectangular tub. Some of the students stare at the swirling mass hesitantly, while others immediately drop to their knees to grab individuals from the tub, which includes small sharks. Research assistant Hazipetro keeps up a running patter of information about the catch, including fish names, their habits, and fields innumerable questions that arise as the kids grow more confident about grabbing fish, until each of them have had a chance to examine the catch.

"Some things you should know"

Mateo Munoz Gil knows how the students feel. He was also once a student from Central Falls High School, a Colombian immigrant still working on his English. A student counselor heard about the program and suggested it might be a good opportunity to work on his English while also being exposed to the university experience. The result? "It was one of the best experiences I ever had."

Most of his group, like today's (July 12), had no idea whether they would be going to college. That changed when he went through Shark Camp. "Once I came here, I fell in love with the University. The people here were just so nice. I'm a very curious person, and they had an answer for every question I had. They explained answers to any question so well that you just get it right away."

He is now a chemical engineering major at URI, and he urges others to take advantage of the camp as well. "I would definitely recommend it to anyone who hears about this camp because it's such a wonderful experience. It teaches patience, and teaches about science, biology. Everything."

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He provided strategic communications counsel to executive leaders, including the president, executive vice presidents, and Board of Trustees members; was a primary lead on issues management and crisis communications; and served on the University's emergency operations team. He fostered collaborative partnerships with university colleagues, working regularly with peers in the health system, academic affairs, development, student affairs, government and community relations, and athletics.

"The University of Rhode Island is one of the nation's great public research universities, with a long and storied legacy and a proud tradition of service," McDonald said. "I am honored to be joining the president's leadership team, a talented communications team, and an engaged URI community as the University enters a new period of growth and transformation. And I am excited by the remarkable opportunities to showcase the impactful work of the state's flagship university. As a native of the Northeast, and as someone who lived and worked in New England for more than a decade, this region holds special meaning to me, and I am incredibly excited to be returning home."

Prior to his time at Miami, McDonald worked at Northeastern University from 2009 to 2018, serving in athletics, development, and external affairs, and advancing to the position of assistant vice president for communications. In a career dedicated to higher education, McDonald also has worked at Emerson College and Penn State, and was a women's basketball assistant coach at the College of William & Mary and UNC Asheville.

McDonald holds a bachelor's degree in communications from the Pennsylvania State University. He earned certificates in higher education crisis leadership from the Harvard University Kennedy School and in Spanish from the University of Miami.



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That sort of reaction doesn't happen by accident. Wetherbee brings the campers on a tour of the Center for Biotechnology and Life Sciences Building where they see different labs. Vice Provost Dean Libutti talks to them about going to college and the process of applying. "It isn't only URI, but we just tell the kids if you're thinking of going, here are some things you should know."

Sharks are the bait

Wetherbee says while visiting the *Cap'n Bert* and places like Mystic Aquarium and the URI campus, the students are learning about how to decide whether they should go to college. "A lot of people in their families have never been to college. They don't know about college. A lot of the thinking is that if you go to college to major in biology, you're going to be a doctor. That's very common. There's little awareness of environmental science or animal veterinary science or wildlife conservation, all these different majors that are related, including marine biology. So that's the idea, to get them here with the bait of sharks. And then when they're here, they're learning about sharks but they're also learning about college."

"I'll work at Shark Camp one day"

Capt. Barber steers the boat to a different location. Once more he and Mitch Hazipetro lower the nets, this time to 45 to 60 feet. After the prescribed time, they raise the net. For this round, though, there is no hesitation: stu-

dents crowd around the tub, not caring about the water that splashes them as the catch is released. While much of the fish are the same as the previous result, there are newcomers that rise from the deep: lobsters, large sea robins, "doormat" sized flounder. The kids are calling to one another to see what they have, and there is much talk and laughter.

Nyjaeh Deburgo is a rising high sophomore at the Met School whose teacher told him about shark camp. The steady breeze blows his curly hair around, and he sports the fuzzy attempt at a mustache befitting a young man. "It's a long day, but I feel more comfortable about the fishing now," he says. "Dogfish have a special place in my heart. Doing this has made me want to go to URI, and I'd like to work at Shark Camp one day."

Sara Lataille is a shark camp alumna and knows the feeling. "I went in 2017, and I felt that it opened my eyes to marine biology. When I went to high school, I didn't really think of doing marine biology as a career. I thought about areas like law, working with dogs and cats, but I was never really interested in those." Lataille is a marine biology major.

"If I hadn't gone to camp, I think I would have been on a different course. I'm glad that I was a camper. I'm glad that I realized what makes me happy and found something that I want to do as a career. It's awesome."

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Congratulations to **Khrystall Dehate, Nursing!**

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Meet Arlo! He is getting ready for football season!

He is one year old and we rescued him from Tennessee in March 2022. Arlo loves his walks, He likes to dance on hind legs, and play with all of his toys! Totally motivated by food! -- Eileen Tobin (and daughter, Sasha), Sponsored and Cost Accounting

Cook's Corner

Share your favorite recipes in the Cook's Corner

Caprese Skewers with Balsamic Drizzle

Caprese Skewers with Balsamic Drizzle are a quick and healthy, fresh and fabulous appetizer recipe! Easy to assemble, and perfectly poppable.

Ingredients:

- 1 cup balsamic vinegar
- cherry or grape tomatoes
- mini mozzarella cheese balls (could use regular sized ball cut into bite-sized pieces)
- fresh basil leaves, cut in half if large
- salt and pepper
- toothpicks

Directions:

1. Bring balsamic vinegar up to a boil in a saucepan, then lower heat to medium and simmer until it's the consistency of very thin maple syrup, about 10 minutes. Pour into a bowl and let cool.

2. Cut tomatoes in half. Thread a mini mozzarella cheese ball, basil leaf (fold in half if large) and a tomato half onto a tooth pick. Repeat with remaining ingredients. Sprinkle with salt & pepper, then drizzle cooled balsamic reduction on top.

-- This recipe is courtesy of Iowa Girl Eats:
<http://iowagirleats.com>



URI Day of Giving – October 6, 2022 Together we can set a new record!

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