Since the Fall of 2014, the Faculty Senate’s Road Scholars Committee has been organizing and staging presentations for non-specialist audiences by outstanding scholars from other institutions in the Atlantic Coast Conference. The committee solicits input on prospective speakers; selects the speakers and coordinates with appropriate units to host or co-host the visit; and arranges for the venue and time for each speaker’s visit, scheduling each close to the date of an athletic event involving the speaker’s institution.

(co-)hosts here on the FSU campus: in conjunction with:

November 13, 2020  Micah Vandegrift  Open Knowledge Librarian  University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  *North Carolina State University*
**Please note:** due to the pandemic, this session will be virtual

April 20, 2019  Dr. Allan Louden  Professor of Communication  Wake Forest University  University Libraries  football

February 15, 2019  Dr. Nadine McQuarrie  Professor of Geology and Environmental Science  University of Pittsburgh  Department of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences  baseball

October 5, 2018  Dr. James Johnson, Jr.  William R. Kenan Distinguished Professor of Strategy and Entrepreneurship and Director, Urban Investment Strategies Center  UNC-Chapel Hill  College of Business, Department of Geography and African American Studies  women’s volleyball

April 20, 2018  Dr. Nancy MacLean  William H. Chafe Professor of History and Public Policy, Department of History  Duke University, and author of *Democracy in Chains*  Program in Women’s Studies  baseball

*March 2, 2018  Dr. Kathy A. Perkins  Department of Dramatic Art  UNC-Chapel Hill  School of Theatre  Note: rescheduled from mid-September 2017, due to Hurricane Irma [women’s soccer]*

February 12, 2018  Dr. Deborah Parker  Professor of Italian  University of Virginia  Department of Modern Languages and Linguistics  women’s basketball

November 2017  Dr. Natalia Sarkisian  Department of Sociology  Boston College  Department of Sociology  women’s volleyball
**October 2017**

**Dr. Richard Schulz**  
Distinguished Service Professor of Psychiatry, School of Medicine  
*University of Pittsburgh,* and Director, Geriatric Education Center of Pennsylvania  
co-sponsoring with Institute for Successful Longevity,  
https://isl.fsu.edu/, which also scheduled a public panel featuring Dr. Schulz the next morning at a local church.

**April 2017**

**Dr. Silvio Torres-Saillant**  
Dean’s Professor in the Humanities College of Arts and Sciences  
*Syracuse University*  
Winthrop-King Institute for Contemporary French and Francophone Studies and Program in Literature, within the Department of English.

**February 2017**

**Dr. Michael Garval**  
Professor of French; Director, M.A. in Liberal Studies Program  
*North Carolina State University*  
Department of Modern Languages and Linguistics and the Dedman School of Hospitality.

**November 2016**

**Dr. Jennifer Glass**  
Assistant Professor, Biogeochemistry School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences  
*Georgia Institute of Technology*  
Department of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences.

**October 2016**

**Prof. Todd Anderson**  
Assistant Professor, Printmaking College of Architecture, Art and Humanities  
*Clemson University*  
Department of Art.

**October 2016**

**Dr. Simeon Ilesanmi**  
Washington M. Wingate Professor Department of the Study of Religions  
*Wake Forest University*  
Department of Religion and Center for the Advancement of Human Rights.

**April 2016**

**Dr. Edmund Edmonds**  
Associate Dean, *Notre Dame* Law School, and Director, Kresge Law Library  
College of Law and School of Information  
*University of Pittsburgh*  
baseball

**March 2016**

**Dr. Joel Stitzel**  
Center for Injury Biomechanics, *Virginia Tech-Wake Forest* School of Biomedical Engineering and Sciences  
Department of Scientific Computing  
*University of Pittsburgh*  
women’s tennis

**February 2016**

**Dr. Jocelyn Neal**  
Professor of Music, Adjunct Professor of American Studies, *UNC-Chapel Hill*  
College of Music  
*University of Pittsburgh*  
women’s basketball

**November 2015**

**Dr. Kenneth Himes**  
Associate Professor of Theology  
*Boston College*  
Department of Religion and Center for the Advancement of Human Rights.

**October 2015**

**Dr. Kenneth Goodman**  
Director, *University of Miami*’s Institute for Bioethics and Health Policy, and Co-Director, UM’s Ethics Program  
Center for Innovative Collaboration in Medicine and Law  
*University of Pittsburgh*  
football

**April 2015**

**Dr. Lina Insana**  
Associate Professor of Italian  
*University of Pittsburgh*  
Department of Modern Languages and Linguistics.
A note on the committee’s history:

In March 2014, then-Faculty Senate president Gary Tyson created the Road Scholars Committee. He had contacted me three December 2013 -- having noticed that I had been FSU’s faculty member whom Clemson University had invited to participate in their “Humanities Road Scholars” series that Fall -- to ask if I thought we might develop our own series along these lines. As I told him, Peggy Wright-Cleveland and I had already been comparing notes about just such a possibility, and when he asked if I would chair and help populate a Faculty Senate committee that would adapt this model, I was happy to agree. My committee colleagues and I’ve been acknowledging the fact that we learned about the idea from Clemson, where my counterpart in their English Department was emphasizing that it’s not all about athletics. Hear hear!

-- Dennis Moore, http://www.english.fsu.edu/faculty/dennis-moore