STEPday Meet the Presenters



STEVE HENNESSEY '15, MBA

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10 years at Franklin Pierce University

"Franklin Pierce is a special place nestled between the shores of Pearly and Mt. Monadnock. The students, the faculty and staff make this an amazing place to be. Can't wait to witness a Pearly sunset on a beautiful New England evening watching one of our teams competing for a championship with you all this coming year!"

Presentation: Recruited Athletes



KRIS 'knp' NOLAN-PARKER (they/them/theirs), M.Ed.

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1 year at Franklin Pierce University

"Serving as the Assistant Dean of Student Affairs at Franklin Pierce University, I oversee Residential Life and Community Standards. With over 15 years of experience in student affairs, I am passionate about building joyful, inclusive spaces where every Raven feels at home. My message to students and families is simple: you belong here, we support you here, and you are welcome here. From Resident Assistants (RAs) to Residence Directors (RDs), the Residential Life team is ready to support you transition to your home away from home at Raven Nation.

Need support, a good laugh, or a calm place to land? My door is always open." **Presentation: Living on Campus**



DR. JESSICA LANDIS

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12 years at Franklin Pierce University

"The first year of college is an exciting time for both students and parents; new friends, new courses, and new experiences with campus life await! Navigating it all can sometimes be overwhelming, however. As the Coordinator of General Education, including FYI, FPU's first-year seminar course, part of my job is to guide students through their initial academic experiences. I love helping them to find their place at this special University. Like all FPU faculty, I am invested in forging personal relationships with my students and witnessing their journeys during their four years here."

Presentation: First Year Academics



SHERYL BLEVINS '99

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10 years at Franklin Pierce University

"As a member of the 1999 graduating class it has been a joy to work with the students here on the Rindge Campus. The student body, as a whole, exudes this openness and willingness to come together as a community to make this campus feel like family."

Presentation: Information Technology



NICOLE NEWELL, MA, CMHC, NCCMHC, NCC

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10 years at Franklin Pierce University

"As a mother of four grown children, I understand how challenging it can be to step back and allow your student to navigate the complexities of medical and mental health systems. But giving them the space to learn, while remaining a steady source of support, lays the foundation for lifelong confidence in seeking help when it's needed most."

Presentation: Supporting Your Student's Physical and Emotional Well-Being



KALYN DASILVA '18 (they/them/theirs), MSW, LICSW

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5 years at Franklin Pierce University

"As a Franklin Pierce alum, I understand firsthand the importance of community and connections in our students' journey at FPU. I firmly believe that having access to mental health care and prioritizing mental well-being are vital aspects of their experience. I enjoy connecting with students, whether in my office or around campus with my dog, Summit."

Presentation: Supporting Your Student's Physical and Emotional Well-Being



DEREK SCALIA '05

Director of Student Success Center (603) 899-4152 scaliad@franklinpierce.edu

17 years at Franklin Pierce University

"As Director of the Student Success Center, my work ensures that faculty, staff and the University's programs contribute to a student experience that leads to academic and personal success of our students. I work directly with our Navigator program, Peer Tutors, Peer Leaders, and numerous departments to help foster a greater sense of belonging and connection."

Presentation: Coach or Step-In? A Parent's Introduction to Successfully Supporting your Student's Success