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## SALUS UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES

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Salus University has announced the following recent faculty appointments to its Physician Assistant (PA) Studies Department:

ANNOUNCES NEW FACULTY AND STAFF MEMBERS

Jeanne-Marie Pennington, PA-C, has been named clinical coordinator. In her new position Pennington will collaborate with department leadership on curricular design and implementation of clinical courses as well as the procurement, development, and maintenance of supervised clinical practice sites. With primary care experience in underserved areas, Ms. Pennington currently practices as an emergency medicine physician assistant at Phoenixville Hospital.

Adam J. Moore, MHS, PA-C, ATC, has been appointed assistant professor. In this role, Moore will serve as a principal faculty member in the PA program to ensure the educational environment demonstrates qualities needed to provide a superior medical education. Moore currently works as an urgent care physician assistant in the Virtua Health System.

Earlier in 2016, the following two faculty appointments were made:

Rachel Ditoro, MSPAS, PA-C, was named director of educational competency and strategic innovation. In this role, Ditoro will work in close collaboration with institutional and PA program faculty managing competency-based design and development initiatives within the PA program in addition to assessing student outcomes. She most recently served as the director of clinical education at Arcadia University. Ditoro was also the first PA in the United Kingdom and worked with the University of Birmingham to develop its first physician associate program.

Daniel L. Pavlik, PA-C, was named academic coordinator. In his new position, Pavlik will work with PA faculty and staff to plan, initiate, develop and coordinate the didactic portion of the PA program. Most recently, Pavlik held the position of assistant professor, academic coordinator and assessment coordinator at Arcadia University. He serves as a PA in the emergency department at Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center in Camden, N.J., and at Lower Bucks Hospital in Bristol, Pa.

Also in 2016, new staff members included Katelyn Merrigan, didactic educational administrative assistant; Johnathan Hawkins, clinical educational administrative assistant; and Margie Singer, program administrative assistant.

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