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Quick Facts

- These Lunch and Learn sessions will be at 11 a.m. in Dinkins Auditorium. You may bring your own lunch; beverages will be provided.
- This is the second year Winthrop has hosted this provost series.



Maria Aysa-Lastra

ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA — After an overwhelmingly positive response during its inaugural year, the Provost's Spotlight on Scholarship Series at Winthrop University will once again highlight faculty research this academic year.

Beginning in September, five faculty members will share their latest research and knowledge on a variety of topics, including financial literacy, famed composer Schumann, the rise of for-profit colleges and much more.

Matthew Manwarren

These "Lunch and Learn" sessions will be held at 11 a.m. in Dinkins Auditorium. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own lunch. Beverages will be provided.

Thursday, Sept. 3

"Latino Immigrant Employment Trajectories During and After the Great Recession in the U.S. and Spain"

By Maria Aysa-Lastra, assistant professor of sociology

The Great Recession is considered the deepest economic crisis since the Great Depression. Aysa-Lastra will compare the experiences of Latino immigrants in the U.S. and Spain during the crisis and recovery periods, including a focus in changes in the labor market.



Philip Gibson

Thursday, Oct. 8

"Youthful Passion and Fantasy: A Recording of Schumann's Fantasy in C Major, Op. 17 and Brahms' Sonata in F Minor, Op. 5 for Piano"

By Matthew Manwarren, professor of music

While on sabbatical, Manwarren recently recorded Schumann's "Fantasy," a piece he has enjoyed playing for more than a decade. In his presentation, he traces the background of Schumann and his wife, Clara, and their friendship with fellow composer Johannes Brahms.



Antje Mays

Thursday, Jan. 14

"Personal Finance Education & Subsequent Financial Decision-Making" By Philip Gibson, assistant professor of accounting

Customers need to be financially literate, but financial illiteracy is widespread. What people don't realize is that individual household decisions eventually affect the community, society and the world at large. This lecture will demonstrate how personal financial education received in college can positively influence financial behavior.



Thursday, Feb. 4

"Ambient Knowledge: Human Capital Development Strategies for U.S. Economic Competitiveness"

By Antje Mays, professor and head of monograph and acquisitions at Dacus Library

A.J. Angulo

Recent research shows that employees and their skill shortages and/or mismatches can impact global and economic competitiveness. Drawing from

human capital theory, Mays will offer educational strategies for developing necessary skills that are in short supply in certain career circles, including critical thinking, integrity and good citizenship.

Thursday, April 7

"Merchants of Knowledge: The Rise of For-Profit Colleges and Universities in America" By A.J. Angulo, professor of curriculum and pedagogy

For-profit higher education is currently a \$30 billion industry. Angulo will highlight the history of these institutions and what can be learned from them.

For more information on the Provost Series, contact Meg Webber at 803/323-2220 or e-mail her at webberm@winthrop.edu.

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