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# Exploring Careers in Academic Teaching

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Speaker Bios



## Janis K. Burkhardt, PhD

Chief, Division of Cell Pathology  
Evelyn and George Willing Professor of  
Pathology Research

Dr. Janis Burkhardt has a long track record of engagement and leadership in graduate and postdoctoral training, with a focus on promoting diversity in the scientific community and broadening the definition of a successful scientific career. She directs the PennPORT postdoctoral training program, which provides Penn-based postdocs with teaching experience and supports STEM education at three partnering minority serving institutions. Dr. Burkhardt's research program focuses on cytoskeletal control of immune cell function.



## Laura Grafe, PhD

Assistant Professor  
Bryn Mawr

Dr. Laura Grafe earned her PhD at the University of Pennsylvania in 2014 and completed a postdoctoral fellowship at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia in 2018. As a behavioral neuroscientist, her research program at Bryn Mawr focuses on how stress affects the brain. She uses both rodent and human models to study the neurobiological response to stress, and how this may lead to behavioral phenotypes relevant to mental health such as cognitive impairment, sleep deficits, and changes in appetite.



## Emily Moser, PhD

Assistant Professor  
University of Florida

Dr. Emily Moser earned her PhD in Pharmacology from the University of Virginia and completed a postdoctoral fellowship at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Dr. Moser's lab at the University of Florida uses novel transgenic mice, in vivo models of immunization, infection, and autoimmune disease, combined with cutting edge proteomics and sequencing approaches, to understand how protein regulation within B cells controls antibody quality, quantity, and specificity. Their goal is to improve vaccine design and develop better treatments for autoimmune diseases.



## Carla Perry, MS

Assistant Professor  
Community College of Philadelphia

Carla Perry is a tenured assistant professor in the Department of Biology at the Community College of Philadelphia. She has a Master's degree in Physiological Sciences from the University of Arizona and specialized in cardiopulmonary pathophysiology research. She has been teaching anatomy and physiology courses at CCP for 13 years and wishes there was a handbook to guide her through teaching during a pandemic! She lives with her husband, son, daughter, and goldendoodle in Bucks County.



## Katy Tresco, PhD

Associate Professor  
Philadelphia College of Osteopathic  
Medicine (PCOM)

Dr. Tresco obtained her PhD in School Psychology from the APA-Accredited School Psychology Program at Lehigh University and completed a postdoctoral fellowship in psychology at the Center for the Management of ADHD at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. She has been licensed as psychologist in Pennsylvania since 2010. Dr. Tresco is an associate professor in the School Psychology Department within the School of Professional and Applied Psychology at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine and serves as director of the APA-accredited school psychology doctoral program.