

THREE THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT ME ...

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Paula Blue Training and Support Specialist Instructional Technologies Employed August 2018

- At one point I thought I would join the military and travel. Days before I was scheduled to take the ASVAB I met my husband who is a Methodist pastor, and he's since served churches in NC, MS, OK, CT, and now NY. My travel wish is constantly being granted.
- As a result of the severe weather we experienced living in Oklahoma (including during the 2013 <u>Moore tornado</u> that struck less than six miles from the university my husband and I worked at), I developed an interest in tracking severe thunderstorms. Now, I enjoy watching video of storm coverage and storm chasing.
- Because my father was a teacher, I wanted to break the mold and choose a non-education career path so I majored in mathematics but chose a career in finance. After moving out-of-state, however, the only job I could secure was as a high school algebra teacher. I've (happily) been in education ever since.



Tate DeCaro Donor Engagement Assistant Monroe Community College Foundation Employed October 2018

- I grew up in Rochester but have also lived in Siena, Italy; Perth, Ontario, Canada; Wicklow, Ireland; and downstate in the Hudson Valley. I've also traveled to Greece, the U.K., Denmark, Sweden, France, and around the U.S., including Hawaii.
- My hobbies include photography, baking & cooking, reading (I worked at Writers & Books for many years, so that's a given!), watching baseball, creating cross stitch pieces, and making batik-style Ukrainian Easter eggs. I also teach classes around Easter time on how to make Ukrainian eggs.
- My parents, now retired, both worked at the National Technical Institute for the Deaf at RIT for their entire careers, and my maternal grandparents were Deaf, so I have a decent grasp of ASL. I don't use it much anymore, though, so I'm a bit rusty and would like to improve!



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Calvin Gantt Chief Diversity Officer President's Staff Employed August 2018

- I love to go on cruises and see part of the world I would otherwise not see. I have been to Eastern and Western Caribbean, the Dominican Republic and Hawaii. This summer...Cuba!
- I played sports in college. I ran track and played basketball until an injury forced me to switch to Volleyball; which I played competitively until I was 38. I also coached Women's Volleyball at Binghamton University, SUNY Brockport and at MCC.
- I always have a song in my heart. I believe that music is the common element that combines us all. So, don't be surprised if you hear me humming a tune as you pass me by. My specialty area is TV jingles!