Dear Alumni,

With the Fall 2020 semester in the rearview mirror, we are anticipating a restful holiday season before classes resume in the new year. It seems like lately there is never a dull moment, so with this newsletter, we try to convey just a snapshot of the department’s recent accomplishments.

**Perspective**

We are incredibly grateful for your generous support. A monthly gift to the department is an ongoing investment in the future of Clemson’s communication programs. Your gift will have a meaningful impact on our students. We are excited to have Jordan Elling joins the department from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where she recently completed her Ph.D. in Communication. Jordan’s research and teaching interests are in strategic communication, public relations, and organizational communication.

**Research Success**

Congratulations to Skye Wingate, who recently completed her Ph.D. in Communication at the University of California, Davis, where she completed her Bachelor’s degree. Skye’s dissertation, “Perspective: Facial Expression and Social Cognition,” was recently published in the Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication. Skye’s teaching and research interests are in health communication, interpersonal communication, and mediated communication. Skye received the 2020 Distinguished Edinburg Student Award from the National Communication Association, formal Cyberspace Education, the “student who has demonstrated excellence in cybercommunication,” a national recognition and Greg Cranmer’s scholarship. Read more about Skye Wingate’s research and professional experiences on her website.

**Faculty News**

Brandon Boatwright joins us from the University of Tennessee, where he recently completed his Ph.D. Brandon teaches and conducts research in sports communication, strategic communication and social media, and will serve as editor of the *Social Media, Community & Youth* journal.

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**Leadership Institute**

After participating as a member of the President’s Leadership Institute, Joe was asked by the University President to serve as the top administrator at the University. Joe’s focus is on building a strong culture that is built on strong leadership from our faculty and staff. Joe is the top administrator at the University.

**Support**

We have received a number of donations from alumni who have used our online giving portal. We have received a number of donations from alumni who have used our online giving portal. We are making every effort to communicate with our donors to let them know how their gifts are being used for the benefit of the University.

**Contact Us**

If you have questions or comments, please contact us at comunications@clemson.edu or (864) 656-7640.

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