## The Clio Staff

**Dr. Wynn Gadkar-Wilcox (co-faculty advisor)** is Professor of History and Non-Western Cultures and Coordinator of the MA Program in History at Western Connecticut State University. He spends most of his time singing corny barbershop music and spending time with his family (wife Sujata and daughters Ishika, 6, and Aksita, 2). He is currently completing a book on the modernist transformation of Vietnamese Confucianism in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

**Dr. Marcy May (co-faculty advisor)** is Co-Chair of the Department of History. Outside of the office, her existence is subject to the whims and caprices of two cats, Mileva and Homer, who determine the tenor of her days.

**Lauren Kerton** is the current treasurer of *Clio* and a senior history major. In between classes she works in the History department as a Publicity Assistant and at AccessAbility Services. When not studying or working, Lauren enjoys watching Jenkins, her very stubborn beagle, crazy antics.

**Kathryn Schwarz** is the president of *Clio*. She is a junior history major minoring in both political science and biology. In school, she is working towards a future in environmental law and conservation and hopes to attend law school after WCSU. Outside of school, she divides most of her time between her professional equestrian career and her fabulous family: husband Carl, daughter Evelynn, rascally dogs Rex and Violet, and rowdy horse, Vegas.

## **Contributors**

Erin Belcourt is a junior majoring in history with a minor in Middle Eastern Studies. A student of the late Dr. Abubaker Saad, she hopes to continue to learn from and enlighten others about the fascinating history of the Middle East. Her goals are to educate others on cultural differences within history in order to create a kinder future. Erin hopes to complete her goals by becoming a teacher after graduation. Outside of WCSU Erin is devoted to her family: parents Amy and David, siblings Emily and Daniel, and her fiancé Chad Galli whom she will marry this coming summer.

**Maxime Delaugère,** having completed his BA in history at WCSU, is now an MA public history and heritage student at the University of Derby, England. He hopes to embark upon a curatorial career in the museum and heritage industry, capitalizing on his interest and experience in art history. When he isn't studying or teaching ESL, Maxime can invariably be found reading an old and esoteric text, watching a three-hour peplum film, or attempting to bake the perfect macaron.

Robert Hopkins is a retired public school educator who has also been an adjunct computer science/ mathematics professor at WCSU since 1976. He earned his BA in History in May, 2019 with a focus on Modern European History and Military History. He and his wife, Cindee, view history and geography as unifying disciplines for all subjects. Together, and sometimes with their daughter, Alexa, and her husband, Patrick, they have traveled to 25 countries and have experienced the joy of learning by "walking the ground" and talking with many good people from diverse cultures.

**Satil Moni** is a sophomore psychology major with a passion for creative writing and design. She has yet to discover what to do in terms of a career, but she knows she wants to see people discover their potential. For now, she is trying to love reading again, and looking for inspiration for her next short

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story or work of art. When she's not doing that, she is smiling while thinking of her friends or joking with her family.

**Joseph Oliveri** is a senior Communication Studies major and freelance journalist pursuing a career in higher education. His work has appeared in The WCSU Echo, The Danbury Newstimes, The Connecticut Mirror, and The White Plains Examiner. He works as a consultant at the Writing Center, in the Haas Library at Western, and is an amateur musician.

**Vincent Pisano** is a history graduate student and a social studies teacher. He has recently steered his research focus towards horror studies and hopes to pursue further options within this realm. When not watching, reading, writing, or podcasting about the horror genre, he enjoys watching Star Trek with his wife, Kristen, spending time with his kids, Ben and Lily, and traveling with all three.