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Faculty	Academic Training	Courses/Research Interests
Fr. Corey Butler	Ph.D., Personality and Social Psychology, University of Maine, 1994 B.A., Psychology, Knox College, 1989	COURSES: General Psychology, Research Methods in the Behavioral Sciences, Social Psychology, Group Dynamics, Attitudes and Persuasion, History and Systems of Psychology RESEARCH INTERESTS: Groups, social networks, and sense of belonging; Social rejection and rejection sensitivity'; Authoritarianism, personality, and ideology; Social cognition and physical appearance stereotypes <u>Corey.Butler@smsu.edu</u>
Fr. Christine Olson	<ul> <li>Ph.D., Counseling Psychology, Arizona State University, 1994</li> <li>M.S., Counseling and Student Personnel Administration, Kansas State University, 1987</li> <li>B.A., Psychology, Bethany College-KS, 1985</li> </ul>	COURSES: General Psychology, Psychology Seminar (Career Development/ Professions in Psychology), Applied Psychology, Counseling and Psychotherapy, Cross Cultural Psychology, Health Psychology, Mental Health Topics, and Advanced Applied Psychology (internship) RESEARCH INTERESTS: Motivation and efficacy for civic engagement; eating disorders prevention/treatment; cross-cultural competency <u>Christine.Olson@smsu.edu</u>
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