

Steve Newman
Biographical Sketch

I am an associate professor in the [English Department](#), specializing in English and Scottish literature during what scholars now refer to as the Long Eighteenth Century (1660-1832). My current book has the working title, *Narratives of Value: What the Scottish Enlightenment and Scottish Romanticism Have to Teach Us About the Value of the Humanities Now*. A version of the chapter on Adam Smith won the 2024-25 James L. Clifford award from the American Society of Eighteenth Century Studies for “an article that presents an outstanding study of some aspect of eighteenth-century culture, interesting to any eighteenth-century specialist, regardless of discipline.” I teach courses ranging from General Education to the introduction to the English major to surveys of British literature to more advanced undergraduate and graduate courses in the Long Eighteenth Century. I established a Summer Study Abroad program in London in 2013, reprised in 2015 and 2017, with Scotland added in 2022 and taught by a colleague in 2025 and slated for this coming Summer. I have received teaching awards from the American Society of Eighteenth Century Studies, the Lindback Foundation, and the College of Liberal Arts. I have served for many years as a Faculty Senator, edited *The Faculty Herald*, and chaired the Educational Programs and Policies Committee for multiple years, facilitating changes in our Intellectual Property policy for faculty, the new matrix, and other matters. I have also presented at Faculty Senate fora on the State of Temple and on the future of football here and co-sponsored multiple resolutions, including recent ones on President Trump’s “Compact for Academic Excellence” and the presence of ICE on campus. From 2013-17 I was the Vice President and from 2017-21 the President of the Temple Association of University Professionals, representing over 2500 full-time and part-time faculty, librarians, and academic professionals. I have served my department and college in many ways; this Spring, I complete my three-year term as Director of Graduate Studies in the Department of English, during which time I have fostered conversations and policy changes about our program’s curriculum and orientation toward the job market. My contributions to my profession include currently serving as the Northeast Regional Director for the Robert Burns Association of North America and on the Executive Committee of the International Association for the Study of Scottish Literatures.