

# Meet our WDIGFY 2026 Alumni!

*Who will you connect with  
and expand your network?*





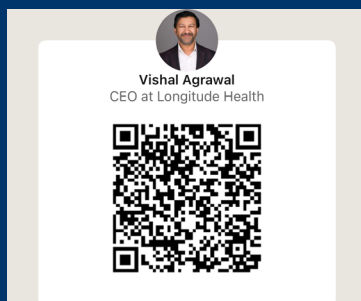
# Vishal Agrawal

'96, '96 MS MB&B, '02 MD

*Chief Executive Officer, Longitude Health*



After earning three degrees from Yale, Vishal broadened his perspective through work at McKinsey and The Carlyle Group, and through leadership roles in national healthcare organizations like Humana, and most recently as CEO at Longitude Health. He is passionate about connecting alumni in industry back with Yale. He is co-founder of Friends of Yale From Industry (FYI) and an Executive Officer of the Yale Alumni Association Board of Governors.



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# Shannon T. Bailey

'06 PhD Cellular and Molecular Physiology

*Senior Director, Diagnostic Development & Validation  
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Shannon is a Senior Director at Foundation Medicine, Inc. where he leads the development of diagnostics to guide precision medicine. His work sits at the intersection of biomarkers, oncology diagnostics, product development, and drug development.

Shannon can share insights on transitioning from academia to industry, navigating careers in the biotech sector, and building skills that help scientists stand out in a competitive job market.

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# Edward Balleisen

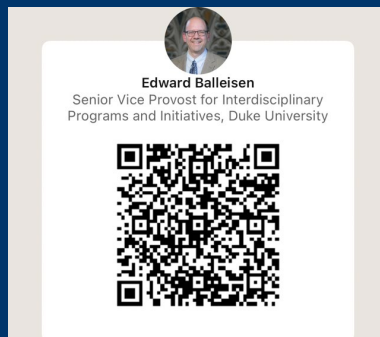
'95 PhD American History

*Professor of History and Senior Vice Provost for Interdisciplinary Programs, Duke University*



Edward Balleisen is Professor of History and Senior Vice Provost for Interdisciplinary Programs at Duke University. He works with university-wide institutes and centers and across Duke's ten schools to foster cross-cutting research, teaching, and community engagement.

He can engage about recent trends in higher education, as well as the value of experience with interdisciplinary teams, near-peer mentoring, communication to non-specialists, and project management for expanding career options.



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# Carol Chiodo

'14 PhD Italian Language and Literature

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Carol Chiodo is the Director of Distinctive Collections and Digital Initiatives at The Claremont Colleges Library. Before joining the Claremont Colleges Consortium, she was the Librarian for Collections and Digital Scholarship at Harvard University Library. With a PhD in Italian, Carol's career has taken her across the globe and spanned research, teaching, publishing and leadership in the cultural heritage sector.

She is happy to share advice on career pivots and work-life balance.



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# Steve Corcelli

'02 PhD Chemistry

*Interim William K. Warren Foundation Dean, College of Science, University of Notre Dame*



Steve Corcelli is a theoretical chemist and Interim Dean of the College of Science at the University of Notre Dame. A 2002 Yale PhD alumnus, he has a career spanning research, teaching, and academic leadership.

He is happy to share advice on navigating graduate school, pursuing academic career paths, developing as a faculty member, and preparing for leadership roles in higher education.



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# Stacey Renee Davis

'99 PhD History

*Professor of History, The Evergreen State College*



Stacey Davis is a professor of French history at The Evergreen State College, an alternative public liberal arts university known for its interdisciplinary, team-taught, student-centered pedagogy. Stacey focuses on politicized narratives of collective memory, 19th-century experiences of aging, and early colonial Algeria. In 2022 she was an Invited Professor at the Université de Poitiers.

She can advise students on work/life balance, and on melding teaching, research and administrative careers.

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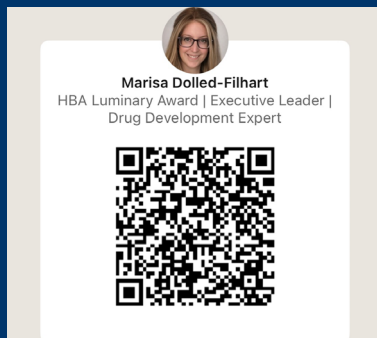
# Marisa Dolled-Filhart

'05 PhD Genetics

*Global Team Leader, Daiichi Sankyo, Inc.*



Marisa is a drug development executive leading oncology programs as a Global Team Leader (Daiichi Sankyo, Inc). She previously held senior roles at BMS and Merck across early/late development, precision medicine, project management, regulatory, medical affairs, and commercial. A 2024 HBA Luminary Awardee, she serves on the President's Council of Cornell Women, HBA NY-Tristate Board, and Yale GSAS Alumni Association Board. She has a BA from Cornell and a PhD (Genetics) from Yale.



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# Dina Consolini Dommett

'93 PhD Italian

*Director of Partnerships, Yale University Jackson  
School of Global Affairs*



After a university career in executive education in the US and England – The Paley Center for Media, Columbia, NYU, London Business School, the LSE, Oxford University and Hult EF/Ashridge Business School – Dina has come full circle: She moved home to Connecticut and found her dream job at the Yale Jackson School of Global Affairs. She can help graduate students approach their job search as a life-long career development adventure.



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## Brian Dowd

'04 PhD Cellular and Molecular Physiology

*Director, Life Science Investments, CT Innovations*



Brian is a director of investments on the bioscience team at CI. He has more than 20 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry, including seed round startups, and he comes to CI from Pfizer, where he provided business development support for the Nurtec franchise. Prior, he worked at two successful Connecticut Innovations–backed companies, Biohaven Pharmaceuticals and Kleo Pharmaceuticals.

Brian can share his career path and lessons learned moving from the bench to Biopharma to VC.

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## Alicia E. Ellis

'04 MA African American Studies; '09 PhD Germanic Languages and Literatures

*Associate Professor of German, Colby College*



Alicia E. Ellis is vice-chair of the Yale GSAAB and associate professor of German at Colby College, where she chaired the department for five years. Alicia is a faculty fellow with Colby's Center for Teaching and Learning and incoming co-editor of *Feminist German Studies*. Her current book project, *Piecework: The Narrating Black Voice*, is an essay collection on narrative constructions of gender, race, immigration, health, and memory across literary and cultural forms.



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# H. Timothy Hsiao

'10 PhD MB&B

*Senior Innovation Strategy & Management Advisor,  
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Tim is a consultant supporting the Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health (ARPA-H). Previously, he served as the Chief Scientific Officer of Solve M.E., Director of the Department of Scientific Affairs at the American Society for Radiation Oncology, Program Director at the National Institutes of Health, and an AAAS diplomacy fellow.

He can share his advice on public services, career pivots, and conveying their transferrable skills through first principles thinking and narrative framing.



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# Tammy Ingram

'07 PhD History

*Associate Professor of History, College of Charleston*



Dr. Ingram is a historian who writes about modern American politics, social and cultural history, and U.S. foreign policy, with a particular focus on the American judicial system. She has experience teaching in small liberal arts colleges, small public universities, and large research institutions as well as extensive experience mentoring research projects for students and junior colleagues.



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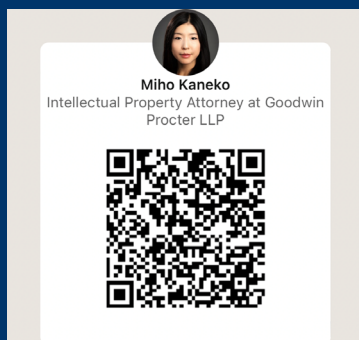
# Miho Kaneko

'15 PhD Chemistry

*Patent Attorney, Goodwin Procter*



Dr. Kaneko is a patent attorney in Goodwin's Life Sciences Intellectual Property practice. Dr. Kaneko has a PhD in synthetic organic chemistry and specializes in global IP strategy, patent prosecution, patent counseling, and portfolio management. She also has extensive experience in IP diligence related to various business transactions including venture capital financing, mergers and acquisitions, and initial public offerings.



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# Esther C. Kim

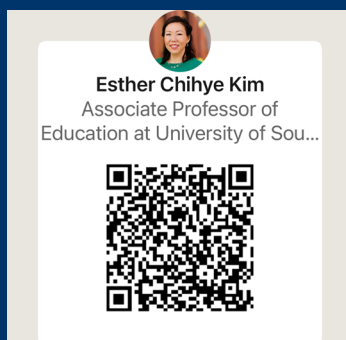
'13 PhD Sociology

*Associate Professor of Clinical Education*



Kim teaches at the University of Southern California. Her scholarship centers on research methodology, higher education, & systems shaping social inequities. She teaches qualitative, quantitative, & mixed-methods inquiry & leads community dialogues on equity & inclusion.

Consider clinical or teaching-track roles if you value pedagogy & applied impact. These positions offer intellectual rigor, stability, & meaningful influence without the constraints of the traditional tenure model.



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# Kitty Koo-Tse

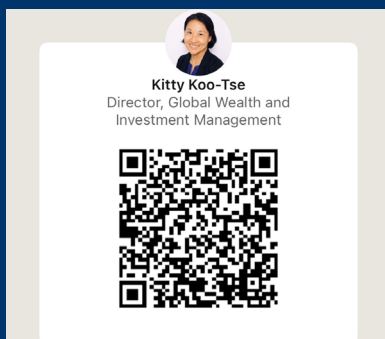
'01 MS Psychology

*Director of Global Wealth and Investment Management at Bank of America Merrill Lynch*



Kitty Koo-Tse ('01 MS) is the Director of Global Wealth and Investment Management at Bank of America Merrill Lynch, where she leads business strategy and key initiatives for Capital Markets in New York. She previously held senior leadership roles at Citigroup and Morgan Stanley.

As a member of the Yale GSAA Board, she enjoys mentoring students on career exploration, translating academic training into business skills, and navigating careers in corporate and financial services



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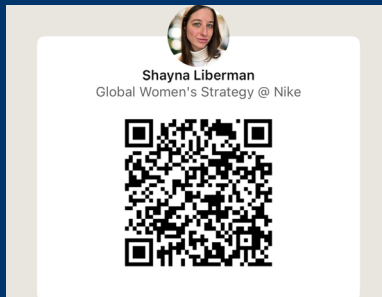
# Shayna Liberman

'14 MA Biological Anthropology

*Strategy Director, Nike*



Shayna Liberman is Director of Sportswear Strategy at Nike. Since 2021 she has worked with Nike's senior leaders to build integrated strategies in the Sportswear, Women's and Technology businesses. Prior to Nike, Shayna held marketing leadership roles at mission-driven startups, and worked as an independent consultant in strategy and design for nonprofits and small businesses. Shayna's research focused on the biochemical regulation of hormones, animal behavior, and evolutionary biology.



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# Bill Moses

'88 MA International Affairs

*Managing Director-Education, The Kresge Foundation*



Bill Moses is Managing Director of Kresge Foundation's Education Program, which focuses on postsecondary access and success. His career emphasizes leveraging education for social impact and he has expertise in US and international (especially South Africa) philanthropy and nonprofit leadership.

He knows about working in and advising the philanthropic, nonprofit, and research sectors, and the state and federal government.



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# Nathan Nguyen

'20 PhD Cell Biology

*Graduate Program Advisor, University of  
Washington - Seattle*



Nathan Nguyen is a Graduate Program Advisor at the University of Washington. He assists faculty and PhD & MS students with matters related to admissions, curriculum, graduate training, and HR. Before joining UW, he served as a US Navy Officer and led military personnel to study national security issues. At Yale, he completed his PhD thesis in the field of Autophagy, and he was deeply involved with the Graduate Student Assembly, the Graduate Affiliate Program, and the Office of Career Strategy.



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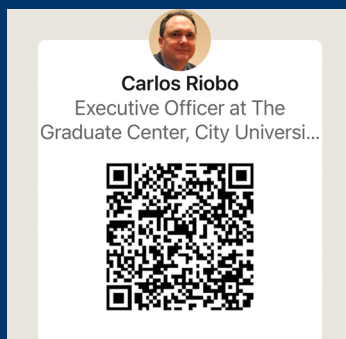
# Carlos Riobó

'98 PhD Spanish

*Chair and Professor, The City University of New York*



Carlos Riobó is the Chair of the Department of Classical and Modern Languages at the City College of New York/CUNY. Prior to this, he was the Executive Officer of the Ph.D. program in Latin American, Iberian, and Latino Cultures at the CUNY Graduate Center. He is a Professor of Latin American literature and Comparative Literature. Professor Riobó is the 2026 recipient of the Mentoring & Teaching Award at the CUNY Graduate Center. He is also a member of Council at the Yale Club of New York City.



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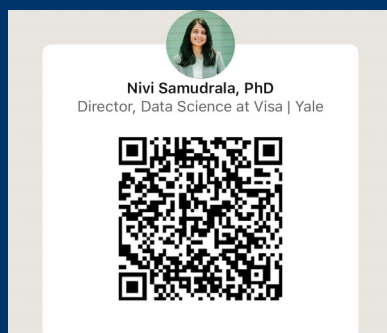
'17 PhD SEAS

*Director - Data Science, Visa Consulting & Analytics,  
Canada*



Nivi Samudrala ('17 PhD, SEAS) is Director of Data Science at Visa Inc., leading the data science team within Visa Consulting & Analytics in Toronto. She began her career as an individual contributor and grew into senior technical leadership roles while exploring different industries in the U.S. and Canada.

As a Yale GSAA Board member, she mentors students on career exploration, turning academic skills into industry experience, and navigating career transitions as an immigrant.



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# Noah A. Shamosh, Ph.D.

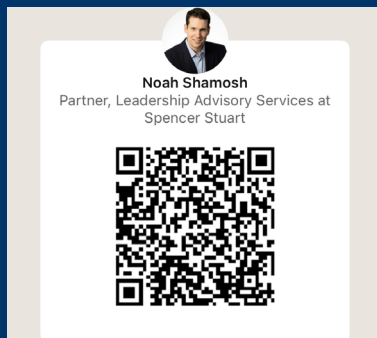
'o8 PhD Psychology

*Partner, Spencer Stuart*



Noah Shamosh is a Boston-based Partner in Leadership Advisory Services at Spencer Stuart, where he advises boards and senior leaders on executive assessment, succession, and development.

A Yale-trained cognitive psychologist and former BCG consultant, he can share advice on translating academic skills into impact, navigating non-academic careers, and building a values-aligned leadership path.



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# Ping-Yuan Wang

'09 PhD History

*Technical Writing Staff at Salesforce*



A historian of early modern Europe by training, Ping-Yuan pivoted from a decade in the professoriate to the tech industry, with experience spanning video game localization, literary translation, and technical communication. Currently, Ping-Yuan is a Staff Technical Writer at Salesforce, crafting UI text, AI agent instructions, and technical documentation for software users.

Ping-Yuan advises others on transferable skills, career exploration, networking, and non-academic job interviews.

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# Rachel Wheeler

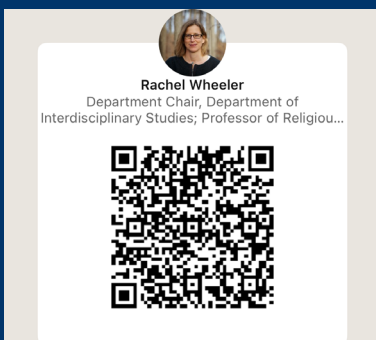
'98 PhD History

*Professor of Religious Studies, Chair of the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, Indiana University Indianapolis*



Rachel Wheeler is Professor of Religious Studies and Chair of the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies at Indiana University Indianapolis. She is a scholar of early American religious history and on Native American religions. She has published commentary in the Washington Post and other venues.

She is happy to speak with students in the Humanities about trends in higher education and navigating a career in academia.



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# Steven Zhu

'22 MS Statistics and Data Science

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Steven Zhu is the Founder & CEO of Easy Interview, an AI-powered hiring platform. Previously, he served as COO of Hirey, a Series A recruiting marketplace, and has prior experience at BCG and TikTok. He serves on the board of the Yale Graduate School Alumni Association.

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