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### **COS Announces New Faculty**

Weed / COS – The College of the Siskiyous is pleased to announce the hiring of two new faculty members who recently began their teaching duties for the fall semester.



#### **Katherine Elwood, Political Science Instructor**

Elwood holds a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Fresno Pacific University and a Master's degree in Political Science from San Francisco State University. She has worked as a part-time Instructor of Political Science at Clovis Community College and as a substitute teacher at Fresno Unified School District. Elwood also has experience working as a Graduate Teacher's Assistant in the Political Science Department at San Francisco State University teaching and leading discussion seminars, giving lectures, developing exams, and holding regular office hours.



#### **David Blink, Music Instructor – Instrumental Performance**

Blink holds a Master's degree in Music Composition from Central Washington University. He also has a Bachelor's degree in Applied Music with an emphasis in Jazz from University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Blink most recently completed a sabbatical in Morelia, Michoacán, Mexico where he created a Latin Jazz Big Band at the Conservatorio de las Rosas (oldest conservatory in Latin America), and also taught a course in Jazz Composition-Arranging and was a guest trumpet lecturer. Prior to his sabbatical, he was a full-time tenured faculty member at Yakima Valley Community College where he held the position of Director of Instrumental Music and Jazz Studies for over ten years.