

## **Stephanie G. Wapner Ph.D., MBA**

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Award-winning educator with 15 years of experience in academia, university administration, and board volunteer service. Expert in experiential education and cross-functional partnerships between higher education and industry. Energetic leader adept at navigating complex organizational challenges. Proven ability to coach individual and team performance. Transferable skills include facilitation, training and development, strategic management, and coaching high-performing teams. An outspoken advocate for women and underrepresented minorities. Passionate about mentoring first-generation college students and new professionals.

### EDUCATION

Ph.D., The Ohio State University, 2017

MBA, The Ohio State University, 2008

BA, Tufts University, 2003

### EXPERIENCE

#### **The Ohio State University**

**2018-Present**

#### **Senior Lecturer and Program Director**

Facilitate 4-5 executive education seminars annually. Manage and host 4 annual case competitions, partner with peer institutions, and coach student teams. Partner with industry leaders to create and implement experiential and classroom project-based education initiatives. Appointed by the Dean's office to participate in two major curricular redesigns and advise on implementation.

Doubled honors program enrollment in Year 1, tripled applications in Year 2. Led the first Fisher College of Business team to participate in an international case competition and raised \$12,000 to support participation. Secured a \$100,000 multi-year gift for case competition programming. Coached 1<sup>st</sup> place case competition teams.

Sphinx Senior Honor Society Faculty Recognition Award 2020.

Westerbeck Pacesetters Teaching Excellence Award 2020

Classes taught - Strategic Human Resources Management, Strategic Management, Compensation and Benefits Analysis, Staffing, Organizational Behavior, Professional Development, Leadership

#### **The Ohio State University, Office of the Board of Trustees**

**2015-2017**

#### **Program Associate**

Authored winning application for the John W. Nason 2016 Governance Award. Drafted 13 articles and briefing memoranda for Trustees and board professionals. Initiated a trustee-student engagement event. Liaised with the Office of Legal Affairs and the Office of Compliance to examine and revise the university's shared governance policy. Designed a new graduate-level course on university governance. Prepared speeches and conference presentations. Special projects for the Secretary and Associate Secretary of the Board

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The Ohio State University

2008 – 2012

Lecturer

Taught undergraduate classes; designed syllabus, lecture, and lab content. Instructed in the Distance Learning online program. Managed and supervised 7 Graduate Teaching Assistants.

Wells College, Aurora, NY

2007

Special Assistant to the Dean of Students

Investigated and summarized enrollment and retention initiatives from 1998-2006. Analyzed exit and withdrawal patterns and trends among student-athletes, which led to policy changes in athletic academic support. Prepared written report and presentation of strategic plan recommendations for the Wells College Board of Trustees

Green Mountain College, Poultney, VT

2004-2006

Coordinator of Residence Life

Managed the College's housing and residential operations for six residence halls. Consulted weekly with Cabinet-level administrators to integrate Residence Life goals into facilities planning. Initiated monthly presentation of housing occupancy and judicial data to the Cabinet. Redesigned the judicial sanctioning process and published a student guide. Collaborated with athletics department staff to intercede consistently with at-risk athletes. Conducted a campus-wide review of the Student Conduct Code and assisted the Dean of Students in re-writing the student handbook. Developed a new staff training model.

### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

Columbus Jewish Day School, Board of Trustees  
Chair, Head of School Search Committee

2018 - 2022

Ohio State University Hillel Foundation  
Advisor and Staff Training Consultant

2012 - 2022

Congregation Agudas Achim, Columbus, OH  
Vice President, Board of Trustees

2011 - 2016

Tufts Alumni Admissions Interview Program  
Chair, Interview Committee

2009 - 2012

Simply Living (501c3)

2008 - 2011

Board of Directors

### CONSULTING

The Ohio State University Foundation

Special Project Staff

Battelle, Inc.

STEM Education project consultant

### PRESENTATIONS

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Wapner, S. and Levine-Daniel, J. (2020) Organizational Identification and Alumni Giving. Paper presented virtually at the annual conference of the American Educational Research Association, San Francisco.

Wapner, S. (2017). The role of search consultants in higher education. Paper presented at the annual conference of the American College Personnel Association, Columbus, OH.

Wapner, S. (2016). Undergraduates as prospective alumni: A new framework for the study and practice of alumni philanthropy. Paper presented at the American Educational Research Association, Washington, DC annual conference.