

Konrad J. Herath*French*

On the faculty at Asheville School during the last three years, Konrad taught French, served as an international student advisor, and led a new program of service and intercultural learning, while his husband, Alfred Brewer, has been the assistant dean of students. A graduate of Walnut Hill School, Konrad earned his B.A. in French studies at Boston University and began his career as an educator at Mater Christi School in Burlington, Vermont, where he taught French in the middle school. While pursuing his M.A. in French studies at the University of Minnesota, he served as a graduate instructor there, also teaching French to high school and adult students at Alliance Française de Minneapolis. In addition to teaching French and assisting with coaching track in the spring, Konrad will be a dorm assistant in Atkins House.

William H. Hutcheson*Science*

Willy returns to the classroom this year, having spent the past two years as a guide for Victor Emanuel Nature Tours. He received his A.B. in history and science from Harvard and later earned an M.A.T. in science education at Cornell and an M.S. in conservation biology and sustainable development at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. An experienced researcher and educator, he has journeyed from New Mexico to New Hampshire and from Wisconsin to South Carolina in the course of his career. Willy lives on campus with his wife Jecca, who is the head of the Middlesex English Department, and their sons, Otis '21 and Hank '23. He will assist with coaching track in the spring.

Roodly Jean*French*

A veteran French teacher with more than 20 years of classroom experience in Massachusetts high schools, Roodly is a native speaker of French and Haitian Creole. He earned a B.A. in romance languages – with a concentration in French literature and a minor in education – at Bowdoin College and holds an M.S. in educational leadership from the University of New England. In addition to teaching French, Roodly will assist with coaching boys' third soccer. He lives in Bolton with his wife Isabella and their daughters, Sophie and Natalie '27.

Ravn Jenkins*Physics*

Ravn comes to Middlesex from Phillips Academy Andover, where she has been a two-year teaching fellow in physics and a summer instructor in astronomy. An Andover alumna, she majored in physics, with a minor in math, at The College of William and Mary. After receiving a B.S. summa cum laude, Ravn spent a year as a research assistant in an experimental physics lab at the University of Arizona before earning her M.S. in optical science at the University's Wynant College of Optical Sciences. Ravn will serve as a dorm assistant in Bryant-Paine House and assist with coaching thirds volleyball this year.

Raffi Kiureghian*English*

While writing his dissertation on Renaissance English literature at the University of Texas at Austin, Raffi taught English this past year at St. Stephen's Episcopal School, additionally serving

as an advisor and an assistant coach for boys' varsity soccer there. Previously, he taught at UT-Austin as he earned his M.A. in English and began working toward his Ph.D. Raffi has been an educator since his college days at Vassar, where he earned a B.A. in English and first worked as a student teacher in the Poughkeepsie School District. He has been an instructor in different capacities ever since, including as an adjunct lecturer of freshman writing composition at the City University of New York, Brooklyn College, where he earned an M.F.A. in poetry. Raffi will coach boys' JV tennis and serve as a dorm assistant in Peabody House, where he lives with his wife Leah and their children, Milo and Sybil.

Frances Leslie

Assistant Director of Admissions

Coaching field hockey at Milton Academy last fall reminded Frances of her own positive independent school experience at North Yarmouth Academy and subsequently led her to Middlesex, which she was introduced to back when her sister Genevieve '03 was a student. Since graduating from Bates College with a B.A. in art history, Frances has worked in marketing, development, and customer experience for major companies such as Gerson Lehrman Group and, most recently, Patagonia. She commutes to campus from Brookline and will coach girls' JV lacrosse this year.

Craig Najarian

Director of Athletics

Prior to arriving at Middlesex this summer, Craig served for the last eight years as the director of athletics at Catholic Memorial School, guiding one of the most successful athletic programs in Massachusetts. Until his last spring there, he also made time to coach the freshman baseball team for seven years. During his early career, Craig coached baseball at Brandeis University, Wheaton College, and Boston College before serving for three years as the head baseball coach at College of the Holy Cross. He took on his first role as an athletic director in 2007 at Foxboro High School and moved to Holliston High in the same role in 2012. Craig earned his undergraduate degree at Saint Anselm College, where he played four years of baseball; he also holds a master's degree in athletic administration from Endicott College. Craig lives on campus with his wife Katie and their two daughters, Julia '27 and Gracie.

Catherine Reilly

Associate Director of Admissions

Catherine brings a deep understanding of independent schools to her admissions work at Middlesex, having owned and operated Missoula Valley Montessori in Montana for 13 years. Prior to that venture, she was a lead primary teacher at Garden City Montessori for three years and previously taught at several New England schools, including Convent of the Sacred Heart, Greenwich Academy, and Wooster School in Connecticut. A graduate of Hathaway Brown School, Catherine earned a B.A. in English at Middlebury College and an M.Ed. in elementary school counseling at UMass Amherst. She is already well-acquainted with Middlesex, as her husband Jim '85 – a 2004 inductee to the School's Athletic Hall of Fame – and his brother Walt '73 are both graduates. Catherine and Jim live in Westford; they have three children, two of whom are settled in Montana and one who attends San Diego State University. Catherine will assist with coaching girls' JV lacrosse this spring.

Margaret Yoon*English*

For the past five years, Peggy has been a visiting assistant professor of English at Kenyon College. Previously, she was a lecturer of English literature at the University of Exeter (UK) and has also taught at Vassar College. Peggy's teaching experiences encompass the Restoration through the Romantic period, and she especially enjoys teaching the novels of Jane Austen. A graduate of Yale University, she earned an M.A. in English literature at Georgetown University and received her Ph.D. in English literature from the University of Exeter. Peggy lives on campus and will assist with coaching girls' varsity soccer.