

Jess Armstrong, Administrative Coordinator, Development Office

How would you describe what you do?

I'm the administrative coordinator for the office of development. We work to keep alumni connected to the College and to raise funds to support College operations and special projects.

Length of service at the College: close to 8 years.

Where did you work before coming to the College?

After 15 years in the Marine Corps I followed my husband to Ithaca, NY and worked in the Development Office at Ithaca College. My husband is from Mansfield. When he retired from the Marines we came to Ohio. I enjoyed working in the college environment and was happy to find The College of Wooster.

First Job: Assembled artificial Christmas trees—you'd think that would be a "jolly" job...but you would be wrong.

Educational Background: While in the Marine Corps completed an AA in Management.

Family members: My family is in Massachusetts, here in Ohio I have my husband and five cats to keep me company.

Favorite things outside of work: Gardening and being outdoors.

Favorite movie: Any movie with a sword fight – Arrrgh!

Favorite music (e.g., band, genre): Mostly alternative rock. There's a Canadian band called Blue Rodeo that we really enjoy. We like to find relatively unknown bands that can still be seen in small venues.

Complete this sentence: "People are surprised to learn that I ... " was in the Marine Corps.

What three words best describe you? Organized – Calm – Optimistic