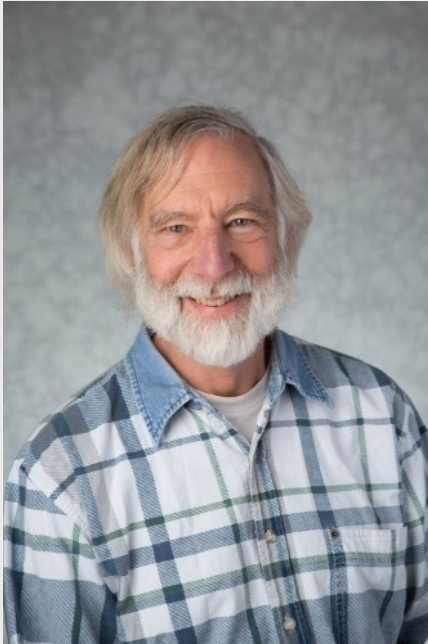


Tim Strickler, Professor Emeritus of Biomedical Sciences



On November 6, 2020 the GVSU Board of Trustees granted Dr. Timothy Strickler the title of Professor Emeritus of Biomedical Sciences.

Tim Strickler joined Grand Valley in the fall of 1980 after having taught previously at Duke University Medical Center. He continued to work at GVSU until the summer of 2020, when he officially retired after an extraordinary 40 year career at GVSU!

“Tim was the consummate teacher, always working to improve his craft. He was an outstanding teacher that students respected immensely...He truly cared about his students and their success. Faculty and staff had the utmost respect for Tim.”

-Dan Bergman, BMS Department Chair

Career Highlights

Tim Strickler’s dedication, time, expertise, teaching ability, and leadership have contributed to the success of his students, the Biomedical Sciences Department, the larger GVSU community, as well as the scientific community beyond GVSU. Tim has:

- Taught all of the various anatomy courses that the BMS department has offered.
- Helped to build a unique and expertly taught undergraduate and graduate human cadaver program.
- Served as a faculty advisor for our Biomedical Sciences majors, typically carrying a load of approximately 80 advisees each academic year.
- Held a visiting appointment at St. George’s University School of Medicine from 2006 until 2020.
- Established and directed the Plastination Lab at GVSU from 2013-2020. This lab has produced 100’s of plastinated specimens used in GVSU courses as well as plastinates for Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine and St. Georges University School of Veterinary Medicine in Grenada.
- Served on the Academic Senate, the Judiciary Committee, the Personnel Committee, the New Science Building Committee for Padnos Hall, the Faculty Grievance Committee, the Curriculum Review Committee for Kirkhof School of Nursing, the Math & Sciences Deans’ Advisory Committee, and was the Pre-Professional Committee Chair as well as the Pre-medical and Pre-dental Studies Program Advisor.
- Developed two GVSU memorial student scholarships, the Duke Tanaka Jr. Anatomy Scholarship, in memory of a graduate school colleague, and the Scott Bleiler Memorial Physics Scholarship, in memory of his stepson.
- Published approximately a dozen research papers investigating *Chiroptera* – bat anatomy.