



February 2026 Staff Updates

The Division of Finance and Treasury at Montclair State University is pleased to announce two well-deserved promotions within the Construction Code Department and to formally introduce the Director of our Enterprise Risk Management team.

Construction Code

Thomas Simpson, Construction Code Official



Thomas Simpson has been promoted to **Construction Code Official**. Tom brings decades of progressive experience in construction code enforcement, building, and fire sub-code administration. His career includes serving as Building Sub-Code Official at Montclair State University, Building and Fire Sub-Code Official for the City of Passaic, and Acting Construction Official for the City of Englewood. Tom has also been a long-standing educator, teaching construction code courses at several higher education institutions.

His extensive licensure, instructional background, and commitment to public service make him exceptionally well prepared to lead the department.

Bob Lynch, Assistant Construction Code Official



Bob Lynch has been promoted to **Assistant Construction Code Official**. Bob's career reflects more than three decades of hands-on and inspection experience in the electrical and construction trades. He has served the Township of Wayne as a full-time Electrical Inspector and Montclair State University as Electrical Sub-Code Official and Building Inspector. Bob also brings extensive instructional experience, having taught electrical and safety courses for over 20 years.

His broad technical expertise, supervisory experience, and strong knowledge of state and local codes will be a valuable asset to the department's leadership team.

Enterprise Risk Management

Jonathan Martin, Director of Risk Management



Jonathan Martin joined Montclair in a new role for the University as **Director of Risk Management**. Jonathan currently oversees Montclair's insurance portfolio and is leading the development of a new Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) program.

He has a proven track record of developing and executing effective ERM strategies that align with regulatory requirements and industry best practices, while adapting to the dynamic nature of interconnected risks in a matrixed environment. Jonathan is also adept at fostering strong, risk-aware cultures and using data-driven insights to inform strategic decision making.