The Franklin M. Loew Lecture Series is a public forum that invites scholars and professionals to present lectures on topics of interest and importance to the Becker College community and the public.

Ready Player One: Opportunities in the Growing Video Game Industry
Michael Gallagher – President and CEO, Entertainment Software Association (ESA)  
*(with an introduction by U.S. Representative James P. McGovern)*
Mr. Gallagher will speak about the expanding roles of games and the game industry in the context of their economic, social, and cultural impact.

Tuesday, March 8, 2016 | 6:00 p.m. | Weller Academic Center | Lecture Hall 210 | 61 Sever Street | Worcester Campus

Dangerous Journey, Desperate Journey: Experiences from the Front Door of the Syrian Refugee Crisis
Anne Sroka – Chief of Staff, Becker College, with daughter, Amelia Karayianis ‘16 – Becker College Global Citizenship Major
Ms. Sroka and Ms. Karayianis will relay their experiences volunteering in Lesvos, Greece over winter break. There they provided humanitarian aid to refugees fleeing war-torn countries by braving dangerous sea journeys from Turkey.

Wednesday, March 23, 2016 | 6:00 p.m. | Weller Academic Center | Lecture Hall 210 | 61 Sever Street | Worcester Campus

followed by:
The Plight of the Untouchables in India
N. K. Kumaresan Raja, Ph.D. – Asst. Professor, Pondicherry University
Prof. Raja will discuss Untouchables* and Indian society in both a historical and contemporary context.

*People tainted by their birth into a caste system that deems them impure, less than human.

Wednesday, March 23, 2016 | 7:30 p.m. | Weller Academic Center | Lecture Hall 210 | 61 Sever Street | Worcester Campus

A Backbreaking Work of Whimsy
Trevor Stricker – Founder & President, Disco Pixel
Mr. Stricker will discuss video games and the many ways in which playing them is so different from making them.

Wednesday, March 30, 2016 | 6:00 p.m. | Weller Academic Center | Lecture Hall 210 | 61 Sever Street | Worcester Campus

George Washington’s Journey
T.H. Breen, Ph.D. – James Marsh Professor at Large, University of Vermont and William Smith Mason Professor of American History Emeritus at Northwestern University
Professor Breen will discuss his latest book, *George Washington’s Journey: The President Forges a New Nation*, which explores a 1789 trip made by the first U.S. president to all thirteen states to fulfill the goals of the American Revolution.

Thursday, May 19, 2016 | 7:00 p.m. | American Antiquarian Society | 185 Salisbury Street | Worcester, Massachusetts

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