

**SUMMARY OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS  
REGENTS AGENDA  
FEBRUARY 2017**

**ANN ARBOR CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval**

**1. New appointments and promotions for regular associate and full professor ranks, with tenure.**

- \* (1) Clarke, Philippa J., professor of epidemiology, with tenure, School of Public Health, effective January 1, 2017
- (2) Hankenson, Kurt D., D.V.M., Ph.D., professor of orthopaedic surgery, with tenure, Medical School, effective March 1, 2017.
- (3) Weiland, James D., Ph.D., professor of biomedical engineering, with tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, and professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences, with tenure, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017.

**2. New appointments and promotions for regular associate and full professor ranks, without tenure.**

- (1) Freehill, Michael T., M.D., associate professor of orthopaedic surgery, without tenure, Medical School, effective March 1, 2017.

**3. Reappointments of regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff.**

- (1) Burton, Gary Allen, professor of Earth and environmental sciences, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022 (also professor of natural resources and environment, with tenure, School of Natural Resources and Environment.)
- (2) Hagerty, Bonnie M., associate dean for undergraduate studies, School of Nursing, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019 (also associate professor of nursing, with tenure.)
- (3) McCauley, Laurie K., dean, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2023 (also William K. and Mary Anne Najjar Professor of Periodontics, professor of dentistry, with tenure, School of Dentistry, and professor of pathology, without tenure, Medical School.)
- (4) McCracken, Peggy S., professor of comparative literature, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2017 (also Domna C. Stanton Collegiate Professor of French, Women's Studies, and Comparative Literature, professor of French, with tenure, and professor of women's studies, with tenure.)

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**3. Reappointments of regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff.**

- (5) Miles, Tiya A., professor of women's studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022 (also Mary Henrietta Graham Distinguished University Professor of African American Women's History, professor of Afroamerican and African studies, with tenure, professor of American culture, with tenure, and professor of history, with tenure.)
- (6) Puff, Helmut, professor of women's studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022 (also professor of Germanic languages and literatures, with tenure, and professor of history, with tenure.)
- (7) West, Mark D., dean, Law School, effective September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2023 (also Nippon Life Professor of Law, and professor of law, with tenure.)

**4. Joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff.**

- (1) Alsultany, Evelyn A., Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, effective July 1, 2017 (also associate professor of American culture, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.)
- (2) Bednar, Jennifer L., Edie N. Goldberg Endowed Directorship for the Michigan in Washington Program, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021 (also professor of political science, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and professor of public policy, without tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy.)
- (3) Bertacco, Valeria M., Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, effective July 1, 2017 (also professor of electrical engineering and computer science, with tenure, College of Engineering.)
- (4) Besirli, Cagri G., M.D., Ph.D., Skillman Career Development Professor of Pediatric Ophthalmology, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021 (also assistant professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences.)
- \* (5) Ceccio, Steven L., associate dean for research, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021 (also ABS Professor of Marine and Offshore Design Performance, professor of mechanical engineering, with tenure, and professor of naval architecture and marine engineering, without tenure.)

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**4. Joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff.**

- (6) Cone, Roger D., Ph.D., Asa Gray Collegiate Professor of the Life Sciences, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021 (also Mary Sue Coleman Director of the Life Sciences Institute, and professor of molecular and integrative physiology, with tenure, Medical School.)
- \* (7) Courant, Paul N., interim provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective February 1, 2017 (also Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, Harold T. Shapiro Collegiate Professor of Public Policy, professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, professor of economics, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and professor of information, without tenure, School of Information.)
- (8) Goldberg, Deborah E., Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, effective July 1, 2017 (also professor of ecology and evolutionary biology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.)
- (9) Hurn, Patricia D., professor of molecular, cellular, and developmental biology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022 (also dean, and professor of nursing, with tenure, School of Nursing.)
- (10) Kheterpal, Sachin, M.D., associate dean for research information technology, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 (also associate professor of anesthesiology, with tenure.)
- (11) Lamps, Laura W., M.D., Godfrey Dorr Stobbe Professor of Gastrointestinal Pathology, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021 (also clinical professor, Medical School.)
- (12) McCrory, Charles, Dow Corning Assistant Professor of Chemistry, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019 (also assistant professor of chemistry, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and assistant professor of macromolecular science and engineering, College of Engineering.)

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**4. Joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff.**

- (13) Mehta, Geeta, Dow Corning Assistant Professor of Materials Science and Engineering, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019 (also assistant professor of materials science and engineering, assistant professor of macromolecular science and engineering, College of Engineering, and assistant professor of biomedical engineering, College of Engineering and Medical School.)
- (14) Moldwin, Mark B., Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, effective July 1, 2017 (also professor of climate and space sciences and engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering.)
- (15) Mozafari, Barzan, Morris Wellman Faculty Development Assistant Professor of Computer Science and Engineering, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018 (also assistant professor of electrical engineering and computer science.)
- (16) O’Riordan, Mary X.D., Ph.D., Frederick C. Neidhardt Collegiate Professor, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021 (also associate dean for graduate and post-doctoral studies, and associate professor of microbiology and immunology, with tenure.)
- (17) Pennathur, Subramaniam, M.B.B.S., Norman Radin Professor of Nephrology, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021 (also associate professor of internal medicine, with tenure, and associate professor of molecular and integrative physiology, without tenure.)
- (18) Putnam, Andrew J., Robert C. Leland, Jr. and Donna D. Leland Professor of Biomedical Engineering and Cardiovascular Medicine, College of Engineering and Medical School, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021 (also professor of biomedical engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering.)
- (19) Rabe, Barry G., J. Ira and Nicki Harris Family Professor of Public Policy, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, effective January 1, 2017 through October 21, 2021 (also Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, professor of environmental policy, without tenure, School of Natural Resources and Environment and College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and professor of political science, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.)

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**4. Joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff.**

- (20) Skelton, J. Logan, Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, effective July 1, 2017 (also professor of music, with tenure, School of Music, Theatre & Dance.)
- \*(21) Sun, Jing, chair, Department of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021 (also Michael G. Parsons Collegiate Professor of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, professor of naval architecture and marine engineering, with tenure, professor of electrical engineering and computer science, without tenure, and professor of mechanical engineering, without tenure.)
- (22) Ward, Kevin R., M.D., professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, effective February 1, 2017 (also professor of emergency medicine, with tenure, Medical School.)
- (23) Young, Vincent B., M.D., Ph.D., William Henry Fitzbutler Collegiate Professor of Internal Medicine, Medical School, effective February 1 2017 through August 31, 2021 (also professor of internal medicine, with tenure, and professor of microbiology and immunology, without tenure.)
- (24) Zak, Donald R., Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, effective July 1, 2017 (also Burton V. Barnes Collegiate Professor, professor of natural resources, with tenure, School of Natural Resources and Environment, and professor of ecology and evolutionary biology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.)

**5. Establishing and renaming professorships and selected academic and administrative and positions.**

- (1) Establishment of an academic administrative title as associate dean of libraries, University Library, effective March 1, 2017.
- (2) Establishment of a career development professorship as Patrick C. Fischer Development Professorship in Theoretical Computer Science, College of Engineering, effective February 1, 2017.
- (3) Naming of an existing unendowed collegiate professorship as Millicent W. Higgins Collegiate Professorship in Epidemiology, School of Public Health, effective February 1, 2017.
- (4) Establishment of an endowed professorship as John G. Searle Associate Professorship, College of Pharmacy, effective February 1, 2017.

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**5. Establishing and renaming professorships and selected academic and administrative and positions.**

- (5) Establishment of an endowed professorship as John G. Searle Professorship, College of Pharmacy, effective February 1, 2017.

**6. Other personnel transactions for regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff.**

- (1) Mallette, Karla, transfer of tenure and change in title to professor of Italian, with tenure, and professor of Mediterranean studies, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 (currently professor of Italian, with tenure, and professor of Near Eastern studies, without tenure.)
- \* (2) Muzuk, Briana, correction to effective date of new appointment to associate professor of epidemiology, with tenure, School of Public Health, effective January 1, 2017 (currently associate professor of epidemiology, with tenure, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2017.)

**DEARBORN CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval**

**7. New appointments and promotions for regular associate and full professor ranks, with tenure.**

- (1) Wren, Patricia A., chair, Department of Health and Human Services, effective March 13, 2017 through June 30, 2020, and professor of health and human services, with tenure, College of Education, Health, and Human Services, effective March 31, 2017.

**8. Joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff.**

- (1) Linker, Maureen, interim chair, Department of Language, Philosophy, and the Arts, College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters, effective January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 (also professor of philosophy, with tenure.)

**COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN**

*Regents Communication*

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Recommendations for approval of new appointments  
and promotions for regular associate and full professor ranks,  
with tenure

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval  
NAME: Philippa J. Clarke  
TITLE: Professor of Epidemiology, School of Public Health  
TENURE STATUS: With Tenure  
EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2017  
APPOINTMENT PERIOD: University Year

On the recommendation of the chair of the Department of Epidemiology, and with the endorsement of the Executive Committee of the School of Public Health, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Philippa J. Clarke as professor of epidemiology, with tenure, School of Public Health, effective January 1, 2017.

Academic Degrees

Professor Clarke earned a B.A. in 1987 from McGill University, a MPH in epidemiology in 1996 from the University of Toronto, and a Ph.D. in social science and health from the University of Toronto in 2000.

Professional Record

Following a post-doctoral fellowship in aging and social epidemiology at Duke University (2002-2005), Professor Clarke joined the University of Michigan faculty as a research assistant professor, Survey Research Center, Institute for Social Research. Professor Clarke was promoted to research associate professor at ISR in 2011 and in 2012, she was jointly appointed as a research associate professor in the Department of Epidemiology, School of Public Health. In May, her promotion to research professor at ISR and in the Department of Epidemiology was approved, effective September 2016.

Summary of Evaluation

Professor Clarke has a dynamic research program that situates person-centered variables within the larger social and environmental context in which people age. This is a field rich with scientific opportunity and has the potential to have direct policy impacts across broad areas in public policy and health policy (e.g., urban design and long term care) that will become increasingly critical as the population ages. Professor Clarke currently has 59 publications (52 refereed journal articles and seven peer-reviewed book chapters); 35 of these are first- or sole-authored. An additional 13 manuscripts are currently under review (six of which have revise and resubmit status). Most of Professor Clarke's research focuses on health in later life with a specific interest in disability; in particular, the ways that social and physical environments shape



the experience of illness, with a long term interest in neighborhood effects beginning with her 2003 seminar paper in the *American Sociological Review* ("Space Meets Time"). Professor Clarke has since made methodological contributions in this area by clarifying the limits of data sparseness for multilevel. Her scholarly contributions have been published in top journals in gerontology, public health, and sociology.

Since 2013, Professor Clarke has taught EPID 617 (The Social and Economic Determinants of Population Health), the second-level course in social epidemiology. She has consistently received excellent student evaluations (4.88, 5.0, and 5.0 in the three years she taught the course). This past year, she was nominated by her students for the School of Public Health's Excellence in Teaching Award. Professor Clarke has extensive mentoring experience. She currently serves, or has served, as chair of three doctoral dissertation committees in epidemiology, and as a committee member of seven other doctoral dissertation committees (including four as cognate member) in Epidemiology, Sociology, and in the School of Nursing. She is also actively involved in mentoring other students, post-doctoral fellows, and junior faculty in Public Health, SRC, and ISR. She was primary mentor for a NIA post-doctoral fellow in the Population Studies Center (2011-2013), and has served as a faculty member for a graduate trainee in the Joint Program in Sociology and Social Work.

Professor Clarke is a faculty affiliate in the University of Michigan's Global REACH Initiative. Since 2014 she has been increasingly active in a collaborative project between the University of Michigan and FIOCRUZ University in Brazil. With funding from the Brazil Platform of the Global Reach Initiative, she is studying how built environments in Brazil shape physical activity and independence. For the last three years, she has been an ad hoc reviewer for two NIH study section. Professor Clarke has also been actively involved with the Center of Social Epidemiology and Population Health (CSEPH).

#### Publications

Clarke PJ, Yan T, Keusch F, Gallagher NA. The impact of weather on mobility and participation in older US adults. *American Journal of Public Health*, 2015; 105(7):1489-1494.

Clarke P and Latham K. Life course health and socioeconomic profiles of Americans aging with disability. *Disability and Health Journal*, 2014; 7:S15-S23.

Clarke P and Gallagher NA. Optimizing mobility in later life: The role of the urban built environment for older adults aging in place. *Journal of Urban Health*, 2013; 90(6):997-1009.

Clarke P and Smith J. Aging in a cultural context: Cross-national differences in disability and the moderating role of personal control among older adults in the United States and England. *The Journals of Gerontology, Series B*, 2011; 66(4):457-467.

Clarke PJ, O'Malley PM, Schulenberg JE, Johnston LD. Midlife health and socioeconomic consequences of persistent overweight across early adulthood: Findings from a national survey of American adults (1986-2008). *American Journal of Epidemiology*, 2010; 172(5):540-548.

Excerpts from External Reviewers

Reviewer (A): "Taken together, I found her work creative, methodologically rigorous, and focused on questions at the very core of epidemiology, social gerontology, and public health. I wholeheartedly support Dr. Clarke's promotion to Professor."

Reviewer (B): "Her work is highly influential among those who study aging and health. Moreover, I believe that she is one of the very top scholars of aging and health today. I have no doubt that she could be hired as a Professor at [my university]."

Reviewer (C): "I strongly and enthusiastically endorse her promotion to Professor with tenure."

Reviewer (D): "I would rate Dr. Clarke's work in her area to be in the top 15% of her field, and her work will increasingly be cited by scholars in the field. Her research productivity; publications and grants, would be viewed favorably at our university for promotion to a Full Professor position with tenure."


Reviewer (E): "Dr. Clarke would clearly be promotable to Professor with tenure at my institution, as well as any other leading institutions in the United States, Canada, and elsewhere."

Reviewer (F): "In reviewing Dr. Clarke's research productivity, I note that she is a prolific scholar, having published over 50 peer-reviewed journal articles-an impressive number for someone at her career stage. In addition, she has published many of these [50] articles in top tier disciplinary journals. I regard her overall publication record as impressive both for its volume and quality."


Summary of Recommendation

Professor Clarke is a well-respected researcher who will play a valuable role in teaching, research and service. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Philippa J. Clark as professor of epidemiology, with tenure, School of Public Health, effective January 1, 2017.

RECOMMENDED BY:

  
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Martin A. Philbert  
Dean, School of Public Health

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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Martha E. Pollack  
Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

January 2017

**INTERIM APPROVAL  
GRANTED**

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval  
NAME: Kurt D. Hankenson, D.V.M., Ph.D.  
TITLE: Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, Medical School  
TENURE STATUS: With Tenure  
EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2017  
APPOINTMENT PERIOD: 12 Months

On the recommendation of James E. Carpenter, M.D., the Harold W. and Helen L. Gehring Professor and Chair of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Kurt D. Hankenson, D.V.M., Ph.D. as professor of orthopaedic surgery, with tenure, Medical School, effective March 1, 2017.

Academic Degrees:

Dr. Hankenson received his B.S. degree and D.V.M. degree from the University of Illinois, Champaign, and his Ph.D. in biochemistry from the University of Washington.

Professional Record:

Dr. Hankenson completed a fellowship at the University of Washington from 1997 to 2002. He was appointed as an assistant research scientist of orthopaedic surgery at the University of Michigan in 2002, and was appointed as an assistant professor in 2003. He was granted a joint appointment as assistant professor in cell and developmental biology in 2004, and as assistant professor in biomedical engineering in 2005. Dr. Hankenson was appointed as an assistant professor of cell biology at the University of Pennsylvania in 2006. He was jointly appointed as an assistant professor of orthopaedic surgery in 2011. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in cell and developmental biology in 2012. Dr. Hankenson was appointed as an associate professor, with tenure, in physiology at Michigan State University in 2014. He was also appointed as an associate professor, without tenure, in small animal clinical sciences, and as an adjunct professor in osteopathic surgical specialties at that institution. In 2016, he was promoted to professor, with tenure, in physiology, to professor, without tenure, in small animal clinical sciences, and to adjunct professor in osteopathic surgical specialties.

Summary of Evaluation:

Dr. Hankenson has been successful in research that focuses on regenerative medicine, most specifically in the area of trauma and bone regeneration and the elucidation of cellular and molecular mechanisms regulating bone regeneration. Throughout his career, he has been recognized for his research through funding through the NIH and Department of Defense. He is the only veterinarian to have received the prestigious Fuller Albright award of the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research. Dr. Hankenson has forged important collaborations to advance his research, and will be working to develop an NIH P50 proposal for the transitional core in this area, as well as build a relationship with biomedical engineering at the University of Michigan. Dr. Hankenson also plans to design a training

program for basic scientists to become translational investigators by pursuing a T32 grant for the department. Dr. Hankenson holds four patents, 88 publications, and has delivered more than 60 invited presentations.

Recent and Significant Publications:

Dishowitz MI, Mutyaba PL, Takacs JD, Barr AM, Engiles JB, Ahn J, Hankenson KD: Systemic inhibition of canonical Notch signaling results in sustained callus inflammation and alters multiple phases of fracture healing. *PLoS One* 8(7):e68726, 2013.

Zhu F, Sweetwyne MT, Hankenson KD: PKC $\delta$  is required for Jagged-1 induction of human mesenchymal stem cell osteogenic differentiation. *Stem Cells* 6:1181-92, 2013.

Taylor DK, Meganck JA, Terkhorn S, Rajani R, Naik A, O'Keefe RJ, Goldstein SA, Hankenson KD. Thrombospondin-2 influences the proportion of cartilage and bone during fracture healing. *J Bone Miner Res* 24(6):1043-54, 2009.

Friedman MS, Oyserman SM, Hankenson KD. Wnt1 promotes osteoblast maturation and mineralization through R-spondin 2. *J Biol Chem* 284:14117-25, 2009.

Friedman MS, Long MW, Hankenson KD. Osteogenic differentiation of human mesenchymal stem cells is regulated by bone morphogenetic protein-6. *J Cell Biochem.* 98(3):538-54, 2006.

Dr. Hankenson has taught numerous courses at the University of Pennsylvania, and at Michigan State University in histology, veterinary tissue structure and function, and orthopaedic surgery. He has been a mentor to 14 post-doctoral trainees, 16 veterinary students, four medical students and has been a thesis advisor to ten students. Furthermore, he has served on 11 preliminary exam committees, 22 dissertation committees and one thesis committee.

External Reviewers:

Reviewer A: "Beyond these numbers [publications], the quality and lasting impact of Dr. Hankenson's is notable. As evidence of the importance of his work, his top 5 articles have been cited more than 1500 times, including his 2005 PNAS article, which alone has been cited over 600 times. ... the most important criteria (in my view) is evidence of leadership potential, which translates into national and international reputation. Dr. Hankenson excels. ...I don't know of another scientist at this career stage who has demonstrated such evidence of leadership at the national level. Dr. Hankenson has developed a solid, well-funded, highly successful and internationally recognized research program... He is at the very top of his field."

Reviewer B: "Dr. Hankenson [sic] research contributions are recognized internationally as evidence by his editorial positions for min [sic] stream journals... leadership appointments in international societies... regular invited speaking engagements. Dr. Hankenson has contributed at a very high level to the teaching and service missions at each of the institutions he [sic] where he has been on faculty. The University of Michigan should be eager to welcome back into their ranks this outstanding citizen."

Reviewer C: "Kurt is a great addition to any review panel. His dual experience as a veterinarian and PhD biologist is highly valued. He has served on several committees of the two most important societies in his area of research. Kurt's service effort is one of already outstanding commitment but also one that is clearly still on an upward trajectory. This course is taught at the largest international

meeting of the orthopaedic community and Kurt's selection for this role is an indication of the respect of his peers... Kurt's record of pre and postdoctoral training is above par for this area."

Reviewer D: "...Kurt is a world-renowned scholar in the fields of connective tissue and musculoskeletal biology research. He excels in research and publication, extramural funding and service. Kurt was also honored with the Fuller Albright Award from the ASBMR-the most esteemed research award given to a mid-career scientist in the field of skeletal biology. He has been funded continuously since 2003. In addition to his excellence in bone research, Kurt also maintains a broad range of scholarly endeavors and an impressive array of service contributions at the institutional and national levels."


Reviewer E: "Kurt's work is of consistent high quality and substantial numbers. Looking at his record, he is also highly collaborative, an increasingly important characteristic in the current team science environment. His funding record is outstanding... His trainees are the first authors on his papers, as would be expected. ...Kurt has completed several leadership training programs, which should have provided him with key skills and tools as well as self-assessment. His laboratory has made major contributions. This work is extremely important and timely. Kurt also has published quite a few review papers on these signaling pathways, and those invitations are a sign of his stature in the field. Kurt's professional service contributions to the discipline are outstanding."

Dr. Hankenson has an extensive service record. He is a grant reviewer for numerous agencies, including the United Kingdom Medical Research Council, the Arthritis Society of Canada, and the Defense Medical Research and Development Program for the Department of Defense. He is the associate editor for *Connective Tissue Research*, and is a member of the editorial board for the *Journal of Experimental Orthopaedics*, the *Journal of Orthopaedic Research* and *Clinical Reviews in Bone and Mineral Metabolism*. Dr. Hankenson is a reviewer for 13 journals, and has served on study sections for the NIH and the Veterans Administration. He belongs to many national and international societies.

Summary of Recommendation:


Dr. Hankenson is a solid translational scientist with a wealth of unique knowledge and vast amount of experience. He is a remarkable teacher, mentor and collaborator and has the skills and ambition to advance our basic science training program and the Orthopaedic Research Laboratories to the next level. I enthusiastically recommend the appointment of Kurt D. Hankenson, D.V.M., Ph.D. as professor of orthopaedic surgery, with tenure, Medical School, effective March 1, 2017.

Recommended by:



Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

February 2017

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
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ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval

NAME: James D. Weiland, Ph.D.

TITLES: Professor of Biomedical Engineering, Medical School and College of Engineering, and Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Medical School

TENURE STATUS: With Tenure (Biomedical Engineering)  
With Tenure (Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences)

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 2017

APPOINTMENT PERIOD: 12 Months

On the recommendation of Lonnie D. Shea, Ph.D., professor and chair of the Department of Biomedical Engineering, and Paul Lee, M.D., J.D., professor and chair of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of James D. Weiland, Ph.D. as professor of biomedical engineering, with tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, and professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences, with tenure, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017.

Academic Degrees:

Dr. Weiland received his B.S. degree and M.S. degree in electrical engineering from the University of Michigan and his Ph.D. in biomedical engineering, also from the University of Michigan.

Professional Record:

Dr. Weiland completed a fellowship at the Wilmer Eye Institute of Johns Hopkins University from 1997 to 1999 and was appointed as an assistant professor at that institution in 1999. In 2001, he was appointed as an assistant professor of ophthalmology at the University of Southern California Keck School of Medicine and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2006 and then to professor in 2013. He was granted a joint appointment as professor of biomedical engineer during that same year.

Summary of Evaluation:

Dr. Weiland's research has been at the forefront of neural engineering, with a specific focus on applications to vision. He has worked generally in the area of retinal prostheses, and has published on a wide range of topics related to the function of these prostheses, such as the mechanical properties of the eye, electrode materials, host responses to the implant morphometric analysis of the optic nerves and retina, the progression of retinal degeneration, and stimulation parameters of the device. Importantly, Dr. Weiland has been the primary engineer behind the Argus, which is the only commercially available neural engineering device currently on the U.S. market. This device is implanted into the eye along with external components (e.g. software), which evokes the perception of

light and enables the patients to navigate. Retinitis pigmentosa and age-related macular degeneration are examples of diseases that impact central vision, for which the Argus device is targeted. The device and software are continuing to be developed to increase the visual field and provide greater sensitivity and resolution. Dr. Weiland has six patents, 96 publications, and 56 peer reviewed conference proceedings, and has delivered more than 60 invited presentations.

#### Recent and Significant Publications:

Yanai D, Weiland JD, Mahadevappa M, Greenberg RJ, Fine I, Humayun MS: Visual performance using a retinal prosthesis in three subjects with retinitis pigmentosa. *American Journal of Ophthalmology* 143:820-827, 2007.

Chan L, Lee EJ, Humayun MS, Weiland JD: Both electrical stimulation thresholds and SMI-32 immunoreactive retinal ganglion cell density correlate with age in S334ter line 3 rat retina. *Journal of Neurophysiology AJP-JN Physiol* 105:2687-2697, 2011.

Weiland JD, Faraji B, Greenberg RJ, Humayun MS, Shellock F: Assessment of MRI issues for the Argus II retinal prosthesis. *Magn Reson Imaging* 30:382-389, 2012.

Weitz AC, Nanduri D, Behrend MR, Gonzalez-Calle A, Greenberg RJ, Humayun MS, Chow RH, Weiland JD: Improving the spatial resolution of epiretinal implants by increasing stimulus pulse duration. *Science Translational Medicine* 318RA203, 2015.

Cho AC, Ratliff CD, Sampath AP, Weiland JD: Changes in ganglion cell physiology during retinal degeneration influence excitability by prosthetic electrodes. *Journal of Neural Engineering* 13(2), 2016.

Dr. Weiland has taught numerous classes in biomedical engineering, such as biomedical engineering in ophthalmology, neural implant engineering, and tissue engineering. Furthermore, he has contributed to classes on early visual processing, applied neurophysiology, and advanced neuroscience. Additionally, he has been a mentor to 19 Ph.D. students, and several undergraduate and high school students in his laboratory. He has served on 43 qualifying exam committees and 29 dissertation committees.

#### External Reviewers:

Reviewer A: "He is well known in the neural engineering community as an international expert of the field of neural interfacing and retinal prostheses....Dr. Weiland is a productive and creative scientist who has made significant contributions in research and teaching. In addition he has received several awards for advancing technology in medicine and his work has received national and international attention."

Reviewer B: "Dr. Weiland has effectively straddled both the neural engineering community and the vision science community, as evidenced by the broad spectrum of meetings and departments where he has given invited talks and the range of high quality journals in which he publishes his work. Jim has also been very successful generating substantial, competitive peer-reviewed research funding, as both a PI and as a collaborator, from DOD, NSF and NIH. The innovative nature of Jim's work is reflected in the more than 20 US Patents on which he is a contributing inventor."

Reviewer C: "Jim has been working on extremely challenging and important problems in neuroengineering—retinal prosthesis to attempt to restore lost functions on visual systems. This

represents one of the frontiers and grand challenges facing the scientific community. Him [sic] has made significant original research contributions and [is] well recognized as a leader in the field of neuroengineering.”

Reviewer D: “Dr. Weiland has had a steadily advancing career,...and has made very important contributions to the development of the retinal prosthesis. His knowledge, initiative, and overall contributions to the field of biomedical engineering make him an exceptionally strong candidate for a faculty position at a most highly ranked university such as Michigan....To my mind, Dr. Weiland is the world wide [sic] leader in electrodes for retinal prostheses.”

Reviewer E: “...Jim Weiland is a leader of the neural engineering field. He will be an excellent addition to your faculty, and will provide critical mentoring for your excellent young neural engineering faculty...his record of service is excellent.”

Dr. Weiland has an impressive service record. This includes his role as the associate editor of *IEEE Transactions on Neural Systems and Rehabilitation Engineering*, and as a reviewer for 15 journals. He has served on numerous NIH review and special emphasis panels, and has been a grant reviewer for the Veterans Administration and the BiNational Science Foundation. Dr. Weiland is active in a number of professional societies with responsibilities such as serving on steering committees, program committees, or as conference chair.

Summary of Recommendation:

Dr. Weiland is a pioneer in neural engineering, with a specific focus on the eye. His return to Michigan will help lead our efforts in this growing area. We enthusiastically recommend the appointment of James D. Weiland, Ph.D. as professor of biomedical engineering, with tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, and professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences, with tenure, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017.

Recommended by:



Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs



Alec D. Gallimore, Ph.D.  
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  
College of Engineering

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**2**

Recommendations for approval of new appointments  
and promotions for regular associate and full professor ranks,  
without tenure

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REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval  
NAME: Michael T. Freehill, M.D.  
TITLE: Associate Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, Medical School  
TENURE STATUS: Without Tenure  
EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2017  
APPOINTMENT PERIOD: 12 Months

On the recommendation of James E. Carpenter, M.D., the Harold W. and Helen L. Gehring Professor and Chair of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Michael T. Freehill, M.D. as associate professor of orthopaedic surgery, without tenure, Medical School, effective March 1, 2017.

Academic Degrees:

Dr. Freehill received his B.A. degree in chemistry from the University of San Diego. He received his M.D. degree from Tulane University.

Professional Record:

Dr. Freehill completed an internship in surgery, and a residency in orthopaedic surgery at Johns Hopkins University from 2005 to 2010. He completed a fellowship in sports medicine at Stanford University from 2010 to 2011, followed by a fellowship in shoulder and elbow at Harvard University from 2011 to 2012. He was appointed as an assistant professor at Wake Forest University in 2012. He is currently in the process of promotion to an associate professor at that institution.

Summary of Evaluation:

Dr. Freehill has pursued research in should injury and repair in baseball athletes. He was appointed as the head of sports medicine at Wake Forest University this year. He is recognized as an expert in shoulder surgery, specifically on rotator cuff repair techniques. Dr. Freehill has utilized his experience as a professional athlete to enhance his research on overhead injuries and repair. He has been funded through industry and institutional grants and has received recognition for his research through numerous awards, including the Neer Award for neuromonitoring the latarjet procedure and through an Asia-Pacific traveling fellowship from the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine. Dr. Freehill has 32 publications, and 84 invited presentations.

Recent and Significant Publications:

Stone AV, Mannava S, Patel A, Marquez-Lara A, Freehill MT. The use of long-toss throwing by professional pitchers: an epidemiological study. *Ortho J Sports Med.* 2016. Accepted in press.

Case JM, Mannava S, Fallin JH, Stone AV, Freehill MT. Acute changes in glenohumeral range- of-motion following in-season minor league pitching starts. *Phys Sportsmed.* 43(4):360-5, 2015

Delaney RA, Freehill MT, Janfaza DR, Vlassakov KV, Higgins LD, Warner JJ. 2014 Neer Award Paper: Neuromonitoring the Latarjet procedure. *J Shoulder Elbow Surg.* 23(10):1473-80, 2014.

Ek ETH, Shi LL, Tompson JD, Freehill MT, Warner JJ. Surgical treatment of isolated type II SLAP lesions: repair versus biceps tenodesis. *J Shoulder Elbow Surg.* 23(7):1059-65, 2014.

Freehill MT, Srikumaran U, Archer KR, McFarland EG, Petersen SA. The Latarjet coracoid process transfer procedure: alterations in the neurovascular structures. *J Shoulder Elbow Surg.* 22(5):695-700, 2013.

Dr. Freehill is a dedicated teacher to learners at all levels. He serves as the lab coordinator for the resident and fellow sports arthroscopy sessions. He is a participant in the medical student research program, and has mentored one undergraduate student, two medical students, one physician scientist, ten fellows and two residents. Dr. Freehill has received consistently excellent reviews and comments of support. His teaching excellence was evidenced by an invitation to Columbia to represent the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine with the goal to educate the country's orthopaedic surgeons.

External Reviewers:

Reviewer A: "It was at that point in conversations after his lecture that I realized that he was a rising star destined to make a mark in science, education and clinical excellence. I have interviewed many of his former residents who uniformly give him outstanding grades as an instructor. He has now achieved a national reputation and has participated in several multicenter studies. In addition to achieving high levels of clinical and educational success, Michael continues to be active in basic science and clinical research. It is my belief that Michael will continue to be a rising star in the field of orthopedic sports medicine and shoulder surgery and will more likely than not achieve a level of full professor."

Reviewer B: "I also had the privilege to travel with Mike to go to Columbia as a representative group for AOSSM to attend the Columbia Orthopaedic Society Meeting. He is a great educator and his talks were well received at the meeting. Mike has done a lot of exciting research over the years. I do think that this is an important study that can improve the care of our athletes. I give my highest support to Dr. Freehill and feel that he will be an excellent clinician-scientist."

Reviewer C: "He is outgoing, engaging, genuine, and without question the definition of a team player. It is without question that he is at the very top of his peer group in the same field at this point in his career. He is not only covering orthopaedic surgeon sports medicine specialist for a variety of teams and sporting activities, he has also been a very active member in multiple orthopaedic and sports medicine societies."

Reviewer D: "His outstanding publication [sic] on the throwing shoulder and his experience as an MLB pitcher provides a unique insight into the throwing and overhead athlete. He is a leader in this area. Dr. Freehill has contributed significantly to the field through numerous publications, research, presentations, exhibits, and professional membership. Mike has the ability to make everyone better."

Reviewer E: "His presentation volume is quite impressive. Dr. Freehill's standing relation to others in his peer group is comparable, or better than his peers. He certainly is involved in national and international organizations, and is committed to the academic practice of orthopaedic sports medicine."


Reviewer F: "His Curriculum Vitae demonstrates a very clear area of interest, which is extremely important in a ... academic surgeon. He has some very cutting edge research in the area of baseball shoulder and recovery during throwing and evaluating different throwing programs. The LaterJet procedure has become a very common procedure in orthopedics but with a very high risk profile... Dr. Freehill is considered a rising superstar in the area of orthopaedic sports medicine. ...he has quickly demonstrated an intense academic productivity and has already earned a reputation that is very positive in the area of orthopedic sports medicine."

Dr. Freehill belongs to numerous professional societies nationally and internationally. He is a reviewer for the *Clinical Orthopaedic and Related Research*, the *American Journal of Sports Medicine*, *Sports Health* and the *Journal of International Society of Arthroscopic, Knee Surgery and Orthopaedic Sports Medicine*. He serves on the shoulder and elbow program committee for the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons and is a member of the traveling fellowship committee for the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine. He is also a member of the communications committee for the Arthroscopy Association of North America. Dr. Freehill provides strong institutional service as the team physician for the Wake Forest University baseball, basketball and football teams, and as a member of the Codman Shoulder Society annual program committee. His community service commitment is evident through his role as team physician for the Winston-Salem Dash, a minor league baseball team.

Summary of Recommendation:

Dr. Freehill's activity in the sports and shoulder world is recognized at the national level. He is passionate about his work and his goal to change overhead sports with prevention of arm injuries through a scientific understanding. As a result of his work, he hopes to provide a basis to rewrite the rules and regulations of youth baseball will provide great value and bring a great deal of notoriety to our medical center. His additional shoulder specific training allows him to care for any and all pathology as it relates to the shoulder. He embodies all of the qualities of the academic orthopaedic surgeon. I am very pleased to recommend the appointment of Michael T. Freehill, M.D. as associate professor of orthopaedic surgery, without tenure, Medical School, effective March 1, 2017.

Recommended by:



Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

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Recommendations for approval of reappointments  
of regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of a Joint Appointment

NAME: Gary Allen Burton

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Natural Resources and Environment, with tenure, School of Natural Resources and Environment, and Professor of Earth and Environmental Sciences, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Professor of Earth and Environmental Sciences, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022

On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, and with the endorsement of the School of Natural Resources and Environment, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Gary Allen Burton as professor of Earth and environmental sciences, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022.

Gary Allen Burton completed his Doctorate at the University of Texas, Dallas in 1984. He joined the faculty in the School of Natural Resources and Environment as a professor, with tenure, in 2008 and was appointed as a professor of Earth and environmental sciences, without tenure in 2011.

Professor Burton's research focuses on the identification, dynamics, and controlling factors of ecological stressors in marine and freshwater aquatic systems, whether they are physical, chemical, or biological. Most of his research has dealt with metal and organic chemical exposure dynamics, bioavailability and effects in sediments, and storm water run-off. He has two grants dealing with metal resuspension dynamics from sediments and nanomaterial movement from sediments and periphyton into the food chain. Professor Burton continues to collaborate with faculty in the department.

We are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Allen Burton as professor of Earth and environmental sciences, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022.

RECOMMENDED BY:



Andrew D. Martin, Dean  
Professor of Political Science and Statistics  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs



Daniel G. Brown  
Interim Dean and Professor  
School of Natural Resources and Environment

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ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Academic Administrative Appointment  
NAME: Bonnie M. Hagerty  
CURRENT TITLES: Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies, and Associate Professor of Nursing, with tenure, School of Nursing  
TITLE BEING RENEWED: Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies, School of Nursing  
EFFECTIVE DATES: July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019

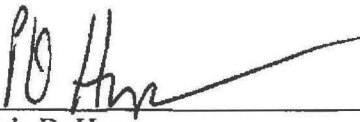
The dean of the School of Nursing is pleased to recommend the reappointment of Bonnie M. Hagerty as associate dean for undergraduate studies, School of Nursing, for a two-year term, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019.

Professor Hagerty received a Bachelor of Science in nursing from Russell Sage College in 1974, a Master of Science in nursing with a specialization in psychiatric-mental health nursing from the University of Maryland in 1977, and a joint doctorate in nursing and higher education administration from the University of Michigan in 1989. In 1990, Professor Hagerty was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Michigan School of Nursing and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 1997. In 2006, she served as interim director of the Division of Acute, Critical, and Long-Term Care Programs within the School of Nursing, in 2007 was appointed as the director of undergraduate programs, and in 2008, she was appointed as the assistant dean for undergraduate studies. Professor Hagerty's title was changed to associate dean for undergraduate studies in 2011.

Professor Hagerty's educational training in nursing and higher education administration makes her uniquely qualified to manage our undergraduate studies, and she has been effective in her leadership roles to date. The associate dean for undergraduate studies role is responsible for leadership in implementing the undergraduate curriculum and we have every confidence that Professor Hagerty will continue to serve the School of Nursing well in this role.

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Bonnie M. Hagerty as associate dean for undergraduate studies, School of Nursing, for a two-year term, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019.

Recommended by:

  
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Patricia D. Hurn  
Dean, School of Nursing

Recommendation endorsed by:

  
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Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
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ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Academic Administrative Appointment

NAME: Laurie K. McCauley

CURRENT TITLES: Dean, William K. and Mary Anne Najjar Professor of Periodontics, Professor of Dentistry, with tenure, School of Dentistry, and Professor of Pathology, without tenure, Medical School

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Dean, School of Dentistry

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2023

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Laurie K. McCauley as dean, School of Dentistry, for a second five-year term, effective September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2023. This recommendation follows an extensive review process.

Dean McCauley has been an engaged and visible leader; her success derives from her ability to inspire, consult and collaborate so that the vision for the School of Dentistry is supported by its many constituencies. During her first term, Dean McCauley articulated a vision that guides and motivates faculty, staff, students and alumni to move the school toward the goals embodied in the first real strategic plan that the school has developed in decades. Progress in five key domains—people, education, research and discovery, patient care, and responsible growth and sustainability—is measured each year enabling continuous and adaptive growth. A report by the Council of Dental Accreditation exceeded expectations, noting strengths in the community based clinical education/outreach program, well-developed assessment of student achievement, innovative curriculum that supports an individualized approach to student learning and achievement, and outstanding research funding of faculty. Under Dean McCauley’s academic and administrative leadership, the UM School of Dentistry has ranked #1 nationally over the past two years, and in 2016 reached #2 rank worldwide.

Dean McCauley recognizes the importance in the dental community of increasing diversity and inclusiveness and promotes a strong alignment with the university’s efforts in these areas. Her commitment led the school to significantly increase the number of underrepresented minority students and to reestablish the Profiles for Success summer program with a mechanism for ongoing funding. Dean McCauley champions cross unit collaboration on campus; she works with the other health profession deans, promoting a clear understanding of the vision of the university. She clearly conveys the importance of creating new knowledge, of the clinical translation of new technology, and of a commitment to strong clinical training. By securing state funding, she has positioned the school to move forward for construction planning on building renovations.

Laurie K. McCauley earned all of the following degrees from The Ohio State University: her B.S. degree in 1980, her D.D.S. degree in 1985, her M.S. degree in dentistry in 1988, and her Ph.D. degree in veterinary pathobiology in 1991. She was engaged in private practice limited to

periodontics in Marysville, Ohio from 1988-1991. In 1992, she joined the University of Michigan School of Dentistry faculty as an assistant professor and rose through the ranks to professor in 2001. In 2002, she was appointed as an associate professor of pathology in the Medical School and became a professor in 2009. From 2002 to 2012, she served as the chair of the Department of Periodontics and Oral Medicine in the School of Dentistry. She was appointed as the dean of the School of Dentistry in 2013. She has had several visiting scientist/professor appointments including the Institut de Genetique et de Biologie Moleculaire et Cellulaire, the École Normale Supérieure de Lyon, and the Center for Experimental Therapeutics and Reperfusion Injury, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School.

Dean McCauley is a diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology, a fellow in the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a former council member of the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research (ASBMR), former associate editor of the *Journal of Bone and Mineral Research* (JBMR), a fellow in the American College of Dentists and the International College of Dentists; she also served on the National Institutes of Health, National Advisory Dental & Craniofacial Research Council. For more than twenty years, she has led an active research program in hormonal controls of bone remodeling, parathyroid hormone anabolic actions in bone, and prostate cancer skeletal metastasis. Among her many recognitions are the inaugural Paula Stern Achievement award from the ASBMR, a distinguished scientist award from the International Association for Dental Research, The Ohio State College of Dentistry Distinguished Alumnus award, and membership in the National Academy of Medicine. She has consistently contributed to the profession as a peer reviewer and member of many editorial boards including those of the *Journal of Dental Research*, *Osteoporosis International*, and the *Journal of Bone and Mineral Research*.

Dean McCauley's supportive and consultative leadership motivates all members of the school's community to achieve mutual goals of enhancing the school's excellence and stature. I am confident that she will continue to lead in ways both visionary and practical. I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Laurie K. McCauley as dean, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,



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Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

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ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Peggy S. McCracken

CURRENT TITLES: Domna C. Stanton Collegiate Professor of French, Women's Studies, and Comparative Literature, Professor of French, with tenure, Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, Professor of Women's Studies, with tenure, and Professor of Comparative Literature, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Professor of Comparative Literature, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2017

On the recommendation of the Department of Comparative Literature, and with the endorsement of the Departments of Romance Languages and Literatures and Women's Studies, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Peggy S. McCracken as professor of comparative literature, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2017.

Professor McCracken maintains a strong, senior leadership role as a mentor to junior faculty and graduate students in the Department of Comparative Literature. Her teaching and research interests have continued to evolve and strongly align with Comparative Literature, where the department anticipates that she will continue to make substantial contributions to its new initiatives in translation studies.

We are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Peggy S. McCracken as professor of comparative literature, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2017.

RECOMMENDED BY:



Andrew D. Martin, Dean  
Professor of Political Science and Statistics  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

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ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Additional Appointment

NAME: Tiya A. Miles

CURRENT TITLES: Mary Henrietta Graham Distinguished University Professor of African American Women's History, Professor of Afroamerican and African Studies, with tenure, Professor of American Culture, with tenure, Professor of History, with tenure, and Professor of Women's Studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Professor of Women's Studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022

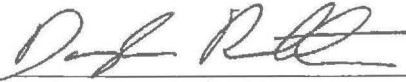
On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the Department of Women's Studies, and with the endorsements of the Departments of Afroamerican and African Studies, American Culture, and History, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Tiya A. Miles as professor of women's studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022.

Professor Miles holds a Master of Arts in women's studies and her work focuses on black and Native American women's histories. She currently cross-lists two to three classes per year with the Department of Women's Studies in the form of meet-togethers, and she welcomes Women's Studies' students in her courses because they are often very engaged and well prepared. Typical courses that are likely to be cross-listed include "Images of African American Women," "Gender and Hair in African American Cultural Politics," "Native American Women's History," and when she revives her survey course, "Women of Color: History and Myth," it will also be cross-listed with Women's Studies. An important connection to the department for Professor Miles is through the community engaged learning project, ECO Girls ([www.environmentforgirls.org](http://www.environmentforgirls.org)). Over the last four years, she has had students from Women's Studies sign up with her project and they have been the engine of ECO Girls in those semesters. She plans to re-institute the project, but she plans to do it as a full-fledged class offered jointly with Women's Studies. In the past, she has served on at least two dissertation committees for the joint Women's Studies/English students.

We are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Tiya A. Miles as professor of women's studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022.

RECOMMENDED BY:

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



Andrew D. Martin, Dean  
Professor of Political Science and Statistics  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
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ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Additional Appointment

NAME: Helmut Puff

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Germanic Languages and Literatures, with tenure, Professor of History, with tenure, and Professor of Women's Studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Professor of Women's Studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022

On the recommendation of the Department of Women's Studies, and with the endorsement of the Departments of Germanic Languages and Literatures and History, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Helmut Puff as professor of women's studies, without tenure, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022.

Professor Puff received his Doctorate at the University of Basel in 1992. He held several research assistant/fellow positions in Switzerland and Germany (1982-1995) before being appointed as a visiting assistant professor in the Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures (1995-1996) and as an assistant professor in 1996. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2002 and to professor in 2012.

Professor Puff is a world-renowned researcher in the histories of sexuality and gender. Within the scope of his most recent unbudgeted appointment with the Department of Women's Studies, he has been strongly committed to building ties of all kinds between History and Women's Studies. He has repeatedly served as liaison for the joint Ph.D. program between History and Women's Studies. He has supported Ph.D. students in the joint program who list him as their advisor—as well as others whose topics are unrelated to his own research. In addition, Professor Puff has served as commentator at book fora and other Women's Studies events, including the department's 2016 Spring Symposium.

We are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Helmut Puff as professor of women's studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022.

RECOMMENDED BY:



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Andrew D. Martin, Dean  
Professor of Political Science and Statistics  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



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Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
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ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Academic Administrative Appointment

NAME: Mark D. West

CURRENT TITLES: Dean, and Nippon Life Professor of Law, and  
Professor of Law, with tenure, Law School

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Dean, Law School

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2023

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Mark D. West as dean, Law School, for a second five-year term, effective September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2023. This recommendation follows an extensive review process.

During his deanship, Dean West has focused on enhancing student life and the broader intellectual community at the Law School. In 2015, he worked with students, alumni, and donors to establish a program that guarantees summer funding for all first-year students. The program is the most comprehensive of its kind among top U.S. law schools because it does not limit funding based on type of position. He has also worked to ensure that every law student has the opportunity to participate in a legal clinic, including a new clinic that he launched to provide legal services to U.S. veterans. Further, he engaged and collaborated with faculty and administrators to reform the Law School curriculum. The new curriculum is designed to increase students' flexibility, better prepare them for legal practice in an evolving profession, and allow them to pursue their own intellectual interests.

Through his leadership, Dean West has turned strategy into action in a number of areas. He has focused on building a more interactive and connected Law School faculty through internal and external collaboration, while preserving intellectual rigor in a collegial environment. He has re-invigorated the Law School's Educational Environment Committee, demonstrating his commitment to use resources strategically to make real progress toward diversity, equity, and inclusion. He is also directly involved as a presenter during a pre-orientation program for new students, which focuses on diversity, identity, and social justice. Dean West brings a uniquely balanced combination of academic leadership and business acumen that sustains organizational success in the highly competitive environment of legal education. He is deeply committed to working with the other UM deans to develop cross-disciplinary research and teaching and to advance the status of the University of Michigan.

Mark D. West earned his B.A. degree from Rhodes College in 1989 and his J.D. degree in 1993 from Columbia Law School, where he was notes and comments editor of the *Columbia Law Review*. He clerked for the Honorable Eugene H. Nickerson of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York, and practiced in the law firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton &



Garrison in New York and Tokyo. From 1997-1998, he was an Abe Fellow at the University of Tokyo Faculty of Law. He has conducted research and taught at Kyoto University, where he has been a Fulbright Scholar and a fellow of the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science.

Dean West joined the University of Michigan Law School faculty as an assistant professor in 1998 and was appointed as the Nippon Life Professor of Law in 2003. From 2003-2007, he served as the director of the Law School's Center for International and Comparative Law, and from 2003-2008 as the director of the University of Michigan Center for Japanese Studies. He was also the director of the Law School's Japanese Legal Studies Program. In 2008, he was appointed associate dean for academic affairs and served in that role until 2013 when he was appointed as the dean.

Dean West's embrace of innovation and his engagement in the intellectual life of the Law School has fostered bold planning and programming that supports the work of faculty, students, and staff. He is an exceptionally effective dean who leads with respect, imagination, and inspiration. I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Mark D. West as dean, Law School, effective September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

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Recommendations for approval of joint or additional appointments  
or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected  
academic and administrative staff

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to Arthur F. Thurnau Professorship  
NAME: Evelyn A. Alsultany  
CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of American Culture, with tenure,  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts  
ADDITIONAL TITLE: Arthur F. Thurnau Professor  
EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2017

In 1988, the Board of Regents established the Arthur F. Thurnau Professorships to recognize and reward faculty for outstanding contributions to undergraduate education. Based on her extraordinary achievements, I am delighted to recommend that Evelyn A. Alsultany be designated a Thurnau Professor.

Professor Alsultany's classroom is a space where differences are productively explored by grappling with nuanced scholarship and critical conversations. Her commitment to inclusion makes her a university leader in discussions about the role of race and religion on and off campus. Students consider her classes essential to their own development as students and citizens. As one student writes, "She has a way of making every student feel seen. She does all of the subtle things right." Professor Alsultany advises several student and social justice groups, and she launched an internship program in American Culture that allows students to gain practical experiences for their future careers while also serving their communities. In her department and across the campus, she is called upon to share her knowledge and skills around teaching, from coaching junior faculty and GSIs to lending her expertise to the Islamophobia Working Group. Created by Professor Alsultany, this growing alliance of faculty, staff, and students works to improve campus climate for students targeted by anti-Arab and anti-Muslim sentiments, and it provides support, resources, and guidance for building inclusive classrooms and policies university-wide. One colleague remarks that Professor Alsultany builds her professional life as teacher and mentor "not for acclaim or reward, but because she knows that our students are able to positively impact their own communities even more when they have the support of people like her behind them."

For her exceptional teaching and dedication to undergraduate students, I recommend her for a Thurnau Professorship.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

February 2017

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Directorship

NAME: Jennifer L. Bednar

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Political Science, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and Professor of Public Policy, without tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Edie N. Goldenberg Endowed Directorship for the Michigan in Washington Program, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021

We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Jennifer L. Bednar as the Edie N. Goldenberg Endowed Director for the Michigan in Washington Program, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021.

As a result of a generous gift of \$2 million combined from a variety of donors, the Edie N. Goldenberg Endowed Directorship for the Michigan in Washington Program was established by the Regents in July 2016. Incumbents will serve as the director of the Michigan in Washington Program, and appointments will coincide with the term of the directorship.

Jennifer Bednar received her Doctorate from Stanford University in 1998 and began her teaching career as an assistant professor at the University of Iowa (1998-1999). She was appointed to the tenure track at Michigan in 2000 and promoted through the ranks to professor, with tenure, and research professor in 2015. Professor Bednar is a scholar of American politics who develops abstract tools for evaluating and understanding federalism. She is best known for her work on opportunities for innovation created by the imperfect safeguards federal systems employ. Professor Bednar is the first post-founding director of the Michigan in Washington Program and has already thrown herself into this work and into taking the spectacular first ten years of the program to new places. She has been working with the program's founder, Professor Edie Goldenberg, in constructive and collaborative ways.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Jennifer L. Bednar as the Edie N. Goldenberg Endowed Director for the Michigan in Washington Program, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021.

Recommended by:



Andrew D. Martin, Dean  
Professor of Political Science and Statistics  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Recommendation endorsed by:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

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February 2017

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to Arthur F. Thurnau Professorship  
NAME: Valeria M. Bertacco  
CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, with  
tenure, College of Engineering  
ADDITIONAL TITLE: Arthur F. Thurnau Professor  
EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2017

In 1988, the Board of Regents established the Arthur F. Thurnau Professorships to recognize and reward faculty for outstanding contributions to undergraduate education. Based on her extraordinary achievements, I am delighted to recommend that Valeria M. Bertacco be designated a Thurnau Professor.

Professor Bertacco has made it her mission to improve the undergraduate educational experience of her students. In the field of computer science, where courses routinely enroll up to 500 students, Professor Bertacco embraces a personal touch and creates an interactive classroom environment. She incorporates live, in-class quizzes to gather real-time data on how students are understanding lecture concepts, and she also meets with each student personally at the beginning of the course. Her extremely high evaluations in large lecture courses speak to students' appreciation of her ability to make the class accessible and inclusive, as well as her efforts to connect course content to real-world problems drawn from her time in industry. Professor Bertacco's impact reaches far beyond the classroom. She advises and mentors the Girls in EECS group, a longstanding undergraduate organization, providing support and inspiration for women interested in becoming computer scientists and engineers. With funding from UM's Transforming Learning for a Third Century initiative, Professor Bertacco's project, "Computing Cares," works to improve retention of female undergraduate students in computer science: she incorporates material on unconscious biases in the workforce into her courses, and she has worked at the departmental level to encourage inclusive hiring practices for undergraduate instructional aides. Through her service and her teaching, she has, as one colleague writes, "impacted not only all the students in her class, but also most of the students taking any of the intro-level computer science courses at the University of Michigan."

For her exceptional teaching and dedication to undergraduate students, I recommend her for a Thurnau Professorship.

Respectfully submitted,



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Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

February 2017

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Career Development  
Professorship

NAME: Cagri G. Besirli, M.D., Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLE: Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences,  
Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Skillman Career Development Professor of Pediatric  
Ophthalmology, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021

On the recommendation of Paul P. Lee, M.D., J.D., the F. Bruce Fralick Professor and Chair of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Cagri G. Besirli, M.D., Ph.D. as the Skillman Career Development Professor of Pediatric Ophthalmology, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021.

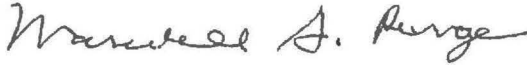
The Skillman Career Development Professorship in Pediatric Ophthalmology was established in February 2016 through a generous donation from the Skillman Foundation. It is intended to support the research and clinical efforts related to the care and treatment of eye disease in children or community-based work of an assistant or associate professor in the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Dr. Besirli received his Ph.D. degree in neuroscience and his M.D. degree in 2006, from Washington University. He completed a residency in internal medicine at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, from 2006-2007, and a residency in ophthalmology at the University of Michigan from 2007-2010. Dr. Besirli was appointed as a clinical lecturer in 2010, and completed a fellowship in vitreoretinal surgery and pediatric vitreoretinal surgery from 2010-2012. He concurrently completed a fellowship in pediatric vitreoretinal surgery at Beaumont Hospital. Dr. Besirli was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Michigan in 2013.

Dr. Besirli's research focuses on molecular mechanisms of photoreceptor cell death and survival during periods of retinal stress, and on retinopathy of prematurity screening and diagnosis. He is the principal investigator of a National Eye Institute K08 study entitled Neuroprotection in Pediatric Retinal Detachment. He is a leader in studies in implementing telemedicine for the care of premature infants for the detection of retinopathy of prematurity. Dr. Besirli maintains an active clinical practice specializing in disease and surgery of the retina and vitreous, including retinal detachment, diabetic retinopathy, age-related macular degeneration, retinal vascular disease, ocular trauma, ocular inflammation, macular and submacular surgery and surgical management of complex retinal detachment.

Dr. Besirli's appointment to this professorship will enable him to make significant contributions in pediatric retina research and clinical care, which is consistent with the desires of the Skillman Foundation who supported creation of this professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Cagri G. Besirli, M.D., Ph.D. as the Skillman Career Development Professor of Pediatric Ophthalmology, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021.

Recommended by:



Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

February 2017

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Steven L. Ceccio

CURRENT TITLES: ABS Professor of Marine and Offshore Design Performance, Chair, Department of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, Professor of Mechanical Engineering, with tenure, and Professor of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Associate Dean for Research, ABS Professor of Marine and Offshore Design Performance, Professor of Mechanical Engineering, with tenure, and Professor of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021

The dean is pleased to recommend the appointment of Steven L. Ceccio as associate dean for research, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021.

Professor Ceccio earned his B.S. degree from the University of Michigan (1985) and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the California Institute of Technology (1986 and 1990, respectively), all in mechanical engineering. After serving as a post-doctoral fellow at the California Institute of Technology, he joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in the Department of Mechanical Engineering as an assistant professor. He was promoted to associate professor in 1996 and to professor in 2003. Professor Ceccio was appointed as the chair of the Department of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering in 2011. He was also appointed as the ABS Professor of Marine and Offshore Design Performance in 2015. In addition, he has previously served as an associate vice president for research from 2004 to 2009 and as the director of the Naval Engineering Education Center from 2010 to 2015.

Professor Ceccio's research focuses on the fluid mechanics of multiphase flows and high Reynolds number flows, including flow in propulsors and turbomachinery, cavitating flows, vortical flows, friction drag reduction, the dynamics of liquid-gas, gas-solid, and three-phase disperse flows, and the development of flow diagnostics. He has served as an associate editor of the *Journal of Fluids Engineering*. He has also acted as a consultant to government and industry. Professor Ceccio is a fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and of the American Physical Society, and he was named the 2014 Freeman Scholar by ASME.



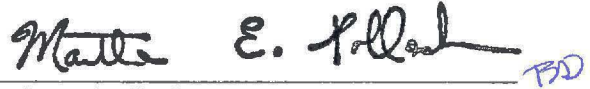
Professor Ceccio has demonstrated that he possesses the experience, ability, and commitment to fulfill the important responsibilities of an associate dean in the College of Engineering. I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Steven L. Ceccio as associate dean for research, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021.

RECOMMENDED BY:

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



Alec D. Gallimore, Ph.D.  
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  
College of Engineering



Martha E. Pollack  
Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

January 2017

**INTERIM APPROVAL  
GRANTED**

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Roger D. Cone, Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Mary Sue Coleman Director of the Life Sciences Institute, and Professor of Molecular and Integrative Physiology, with tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Asa Gray Collegiate Professor of the Life Sciences, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021

On the recommendation of Anna M. Schork, J.D., the Managing Director of the Life Sciences Institute, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Roger D. Cone, Ph.D. as the Asa Gray Collegiate Professor of the Life Sciences, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021.

The Asa Gray Collegiate Professorship in the Life Sciences was established in the Provost Office and was named in December 2016. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

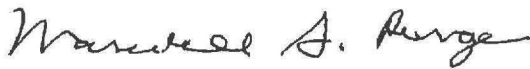
Dr. Cone was a professor and chair in the Department of Molecular Physiology and Biophysics and the Joe C. Davis Chair in Biomedical Science at Vanderbilt University prior to joining the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2016 as a professor. While at Vanderbilt, he was the director of the Vanderbilt Institute for Obesity and Metabolism and an associate director for Vanderbilt's Diabetes Research and Training Center. Prior to joining Vanderbilt in 2008, Dr. Cone served as the director of the Center for the Study of Weight Regulation and Associated Disorders at Oregon Health and Science University and as a senior scientist at the Vollum Institute.

Dr. Cone's research focuses on the central control of energy homeostasis, to understand how the central nervous system regulates energy storage, and the role of these neural circuits in obesity, disease cachexia, and anorexia nervosa. His recent projects include development of small molecule compounds for the treatment of obesity, identification of novel cell signaling pathways in the brain involved in the regulation of body weight, and identification of genes predisposing humans to anorexia nervosa. His research has been funded by the NIH, and foundation and institutional grants.

Dr. Cone has received numerous awards, including the Ernst Oppenheimer Award from the U.S. Endocrine Society, the Berthold Memorial Award from the German Endocrine Society, the Freedom to Discover Award for Distinguished Achievement in Metabolic Disease Research from Bristol-Myers Squibb and the Ipsen Prize. Dr. Cone holds 17 patents and has published more than 160 articles, and is a member of the editorial board for *Cell Metabolism*. He is a member of the advisory board for Keystone Symposia Scientific, and the Life Sciences Board for the National Research Council for the National Academy of Sciences.

Dr. Cone is an accomplished leader and researcher. He was appointed as the Mary Sue Coleman Director of the Life Sciences Institute in 2016, and is an appropriate holder of this professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Roger D. Cone, Ph.D. as the Asa Gray Collegiate Professor of the Life Sciences, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021.

Recommended by:



Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

February 2017

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Administrative Appointment Approval

NAME: Paul N. Courant

CURRENT TITLES: Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, Harold T. Shapiro Collegiate Professor of Public Policy, Professor of Public Policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, Professor of Economics, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and Professor of Information, without tenure, School of Information

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Interim Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, Harold T. Shapiro Collegiate Professor of Public Policy, Professor of Public Policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, Professor of Economics, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and Professor of Information, without tenure, School of Information

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 2017

It is a pleasure to recommend the appointment of Paul N. Courant as interim provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective February 1, 2017. He will continue in this role until the effective date of the appointment of a new provost and executive vice president for academic affairs.

As the interim provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, Professor Courant will provide leadership to support the university's scholarly enterprise and the planning and implementation of its academic programs during this transition period. He will collaborate with the president in advancing overall academic priorities for the university and will allocate funds to carry forward these priorities.

Prior to his current role as interim provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, Professor Courant served in a number of leadership capacities at the university, including chair of the Department of Economics (1995-1997) and director of the Institute of Public Policy Studies, now the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy (1983-1987 and 1989-1990). In 1997, he was appointed as the associate provost for academic and budgetary affairs, a position he held until being appointed as interim provost and executive vice president for academic affairs in 2002. He served as the provost and executive vice president for academic affairs from 2002-2005. From 2007-2013, he was the university librarian and dean of libraries. Professor Courant's honors include an appointment as a senior fellow of the Michigan Society of Fellows (1997-2001), and as an Arthur F. Thurnau Professor (1996-present). He has served as a senior

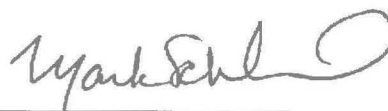
staff economist with the President's Council of Economic Advisors (1979-1980), and as a member of the Technical Advisory Committee for the Congressional Budget Office (1987-1988).

Professor Courant has published numerous articles and books on research topics including tax policy reform, federal budget deficits, poverty, the effects of gender in labor markets and school finance. He holds a B.A. in history from Swarthmore College (1968), as well as M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in economics from Princeton University (1973 and 1974, respectively). Professor Courant joined the university faculty in 1973, and has been a faculty associate of the Institute for Social Research since 1975.

Professor Courant's record of 43 years of outstanding service as teacher, scholar, and administrator at the University of Michigan make him an ideal candidate to fill the crucial role of interim provost and executive vice president for academic affairs.

It is with great enthusiasm that I recommend the appointment of Paul N. Courant as interim provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective February 1, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark S. Schlissel  
President

January 2017

**INTERIM APPROVAL  
GRANTED**

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to Arthur F. Thurnau Professorship

NAME: Deborah E. Goldberg

CURRENT TITLES: Elzada U. Clover Collegiate Professor of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, and Professor of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, and Professor of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts


EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2017

In 1988, the Board of Regents established the Arthur F. Thurnau Professorships to recognize and reward faculty for outstanding contributions to undergraduate education. Based on her extraordinary achievements, I am delighted to recommend that Deborah E. Goldberg be designated a Thurnau Professor.

A committed, engaged, and innovative teacher, Professor Goldberg has had a tremendous impact on her students and on undergraduate education at UM more broadly. Her students speak of her exceptionally welcoming and open classes, where students of all backgrounds are encouraged to seek opportunities in research labs and internships to further their understanding of the field. Reaching far beyond her own classroom, Professor Goldberg has played a leadership role in the M-Bio and M-STEM initiatives, designed to recruit and retain a diverse student body in the sciences. One colleague describes her role in these programs as “a visionary effort that will continue to pay educational dividends for years to come.” Highly respected as a reformer of STEM education in her department, in LSA and at the university more broadly, she has “the ability to generate the deep reserves of energy, drive, focus, and perseverance required to reach a successful outcome.” Another example of the institutional impact of her leadership is “Authentic Research Connections.” Funded by the National Science Foundation, this program gives undergraduate students in introductory courses experience in undertaking real, publishable research. It also generates large pools of data for faculty, thus creating a mutually beneficial and innovative learning environment. As one colleague summarizes, Professor Goldberg’s efforts, from her service to her classroom, work together “to enhance the undergraduate educational experience in biology and other natural sciences and to attract and retain a more diverse student cohort.”

For her exceptional teaching and dedication to undergraduate students, I recommend her for a Thurnau Professorship.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

February 2017

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Joint Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Patricia D. Hurn

CURRENT TITLES: Dean, and Professor of Nursing, with tenure, School of Nursing

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and with the endorsement of the School of Nursing, we are pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Patricia D. Hurn as professor of molecular, cellular, and developmental biology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022.

Patricia Hurn completed her Doctorate at the Johns Hopkins University in 1981, where she went on to become a professor. Dean Hurn was appointed as the dean and professor, with tenure, in the School of Nursing in 2016. She is a biomedical scientist with research interests that compliment those represented in the Department of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology (MCDB). Dean Hurn has a strong background in trans-disciplinary research. She is known internationally for her work in understanding the cellular and molecular basis of gender differences in response to experimental brain injury. Her more recent research has focused on estrogen as an immunoprotectant in cerebral blood restrictions. Dean Hurn is specifically interested in this appointment in order to strengthen research relationships that cut across nursing, medicine, and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts. This appointment will be mutually beneficial for Dean Hurn and MCDB, for scientific interactions, for the department's teaching mission, and for establishing strong relationships among members of the larger life sciences community at Michigan.

We are very pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Patricia D. Hurn as professor of molecular, cellular, and developmental biology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022.

RECOMMENDED BY:



Andrew D. Martin, Dean  
Professor of Political Science and Statistics  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

February 2017

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member  
NAME: Sachin Kheterpal, M.D.  
CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of Anesthesiology, with tenure, Medical School  
ADDITIONAL TITLE: Associate Dean for Research Information Technology, Medical School  
EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 2017


With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Sachin Kheterpal, M.D. as associate dean for research information technology, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017.

The associate dean for research information technology reports directly to the senior associate dean for research and is responsible for establishing the strategy and vision to effectively use information technology to advance the research mission of the University of Michigan Medical School (UMMS).

Dr. Kheterpal joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor in the Department of Anesthesiology and was promoted to associate professor in 2014. Prior to that, he was the CEO of his own software company, SEC, from 1994 to 2001. His company was bought by General Electric Medical Systems Information Technologies and he continued to work there from 2001 to 2004. During that time, he obtained a M.B.A. from the University of Michigan. This background has provided Dr. Kheterpal with the insight and skills necessary to catapult the UMMS into the next level of research IT success. Dr. Kheterpal also has the experience in change management, regulatory affairs, human resources, governmental relations, and finance that will be necessary in this position. Furthermore, Dr. Kheterpal has contributed to the UMMS Office of Research's leadership team by serving as the senior director for research information technology. In this capacity, he has gained significant insight into the many research IT opportunities at UMMS and has identified specific areas of research IT that await leadership and strategic direction.

It is the judgment of the Executive Committee that Dr. Kheterpal possesses the qualities that will enable him to lead our research information technology needs into the future. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Sachin Kheterpal, M.D. as associate dean for research information technology, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017.

Recommended by:



Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

February 2017



THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed  
Professorship

NAME: Laura W. Lamps, M.D.

CURRENT TITLE: Clinical Professor of Pathology, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Godfrey Dorr Stobbe Professor of Gastrointestinal  
Pathology, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021

On the recommendation of Charles A. Parkos, M.D., Ph.D., the Carl V. Weller Professor and Chair of the Department of Pathology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Laura W. Lamps, M.D. as the Godfrey Dorr Stobbe Professor of Gastrointestinal Pathology, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021.

The Godfrey Dorr Stobbe Professorship in Gastrointestinal Pathology was established in December 2016 through a split of funds from the Godfrey Dorr Stobbe Professorship in Pathology fund and the Godfrey Dorr Stobbe Endowed Chair in Pathology Education fund. It is intended to support an associate professor or professor in the Department of Pathology whose teaching and academic program is relevant to gastrointestinal and hepatobiliary pathology. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

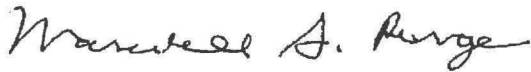
Dr. Lamps received her M.D. degree in 1992 from Vanderbilt University. She completed a residency in anatomic and clinical pathology, and a fellowship in surgical pathology at Vanderbilt. Dr. Lamps was appointed as an instructor at that institution in 1997. In 1998, she was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Arkansas, and rose through the ranks to professor in 2006. She joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2017 as a clinical professor in the Department of Pathology.

Dr. Lamps has held numerous leadership roles including director of autopsy services, director of surgical pathology, director of anatomic pathology and vice chair for academic affairs. In 2015, she was appointed as the associate chief quality officer for risk and safety at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. She is a national leader in gastrointestinal pathology and a world-renowned diagnostician. Dr. Lamps is regarded as the nation's best expert in infectious disease pathology. Her research has been well-funded through the NIH, the American Cancer Society, and through institutional grants. Dr. Lamps has published 65 peer-reviewed articles, and five books. She has been invited to present her research on 17 occasions nationally.

Dr. Lamps is a superb educator, and has received numerous teaching awards institutionally. She is the chair of the education committee for the U.S. and Canadian Academy of Pathology, which is considered the premier academic pathology organization in the world. Dr. Lamps is a member of the editorial board for the *Archives of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine*. She was the vice chair for academic affairs at the University of Arkansas, and has extensive teaching.


Dr. Lamps is internationally renowned for her work in gastrointestinal pathology. She will continue her leadership roles as the director of the gastrointestinal, hepatic and pancreaticobiliary pathology service in the Department of Pathology, which aligns her with the intent of this professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Laura W. Lamps, M.D. as the Godfrey Dorr Stobbe Professor of Gastrointestinal Pathology, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021.

Recommended by:



Marshall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

February 2017

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Charles McCrory

CURRENT TITLES: Assistant Professor of Chemistry, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and Assistant Professor of Macromolecular Science and Engineering, College of Engineering

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Dow Corning Assistant Professor of Chemistry, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Chemistry and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Charles McCrory as the Dow Corning Assistant Professor of Chemistry, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019.

As a result of a grant received from the Dow Corning Foundation, the Dow Corning Assistant Professorship in Chemistry was established by the Regents in February 1989. This endowed faculty position was created with the intention of retaining or recruiting a distinguished junior professor in chemistry.

Charles McCrory received his Doctorate from Stanford University in 2010. Following a post-doctoral fellowship at the California Institute of Technology (2010-2011), he joined the staff at CalTech on the Benchmarking Project in the Joint Center for Artificial Photosynthesis (JCAP) as a senior scientist (2011-2014) and was promoted to lead scientist (2014-2015). In acknowledgement of his leadership and groundbreaking independent research at JCAP, Professor McCrory was appointed as a member of the Professional Staff at Caltech (2014-2015). This designation, which requires faculty nomination and approval by both the division chair and provost, is reserved for those staff members whose research and technical contributions to the Institute are comparable to those of the research and instructional faculty. During his time at JCAP, Professor McCrory achieved the key milestones normally associated with an assistant professor: he built a laboratory, hired researchers, and produced exciting new research. He joined tenure track at Michigan in 2015.

At JCAP, Professor McCrory cemented his role as an expert in electroanalytical chemistry and electrocatalysis. His seminal manuscript on catalyst benchmarking for water oxidation has had a large impact on the field of electrocatalysis, having been cited over 530 times (more than any other JCAP article) since its publication in the *Journal of the American Chemical Society* in 2013 and featured both as an editor's choice article in *Science* and in the *ACS Select Virtual Issue on Inorganic Chemistry Driving the Energy Sciences*. His JCAP work was included as a *Science Highlight* for the Department of Energy's Basis Energy Sciences program, and he was invited to contribute the first online presentation for the VideoLab initiative of the Solar Fuels Institute (SOFI). Professor McCrory was one of eight staff and faculty scientists responsible for the procurement of a \$5 million California Energy Commission contract for CO<sub>2</sub> reduction by molecular electrocatalysts.

Professor McCrory's time in JCAP provided him with unique insights into the challenges and limitations of existing energy technologies, and his research program at Michigan reflects his solutions to these

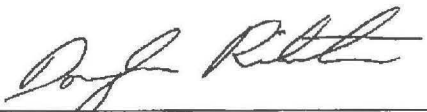
problems. His initial efforts focused on designing new catalyst systems for the low-temperature electrochemical conversion of  $N_2$  to  $NH_3$  and the selective electrocatalytic reduction of  $CO_2$  to liquid products—two problems of fundamental importance and interest in energy science. Although there are numerous other researchers in his cohort in the areas of  $N_2$  functionalization and  $CO_2$  reduction, Professor McCrory's combined skill sets in surface science electrochemistry and in molecular inorganic chemistry provide him a particularly powerful, structured, and interdisciplinary approach to these energy conversion topics. It is his ability to develop and adapt new processes and instrumentation to address fundamental problems in electrocatalysis that positions Professor McCrory to have a unique and high impact research program.

Another strength Professor McCrory has is his ability to successfully leverage his electroanalytical expertise in collaborative research. He is often sought out by colleagues for advice on electro-chemical measurements and analysis, and he has been involved in several collaborative projects across a broad set of topics. Professor McCrory's insight into electrochemical product analysis has already developed into a collaborative research project at Michigan. His ability to see the potential for electroanalytical studies to contribute to studies in a variety of chemistry fields coupled with his eagerness to engage in collaborative research bodes well for his future success in chemistry research, especially given the complexity of practically implanting large-scale solar fuel processes.

Professor McCrory has had a lightning-fast start at Michigan since he started in fall 2015. He has hired a post-doctoral researcher, attracted several graduate students, acquired instrumentation, and begun building an ultra-high vacuum system. He has also begun his educational mission with great energy. Professor McCrory's success demonstrates his potential for creative and high-impact independent research and education. His appointment as the Dow Corning Assistant Professor of Chemistry will enhance his ability to achieve his work and reinforce the department's commitment to his success.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Charles McCrory as the Dow Corning Assistant Professor of Chemistry, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019.

RECOMMENDED BY:



Andrew D. Martin, Dean  
Professor of Political Science and Statistics  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs



Alec D. Gallimore  
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  
College of Engineering

February 2017

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Geeta Mehta

CURRENT TITLES: Assistant Professor of Materials Science and Engineering,  
Assistant Professor of Macromolecular Science and Engineering,  
College of Engineering, and Assistant Professor of Biomedical  
Engineering, College of Engineering and Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Dow Corning Assistant Professor of Materials Science and  
Engineering, College of Engineering

TERM: Three Years

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Geeta Mehta as the Dow Corning Assistant Professor of Materials Science and Engineering, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019.

The Dow Corning Assistant Professorship was established in 1989 and is intended to support a junior faculty member by a grant from the Dow Corning Foundation. Appointments to this professorship may be up to three years.

Professor Mehta received her B.E. (2001) in chemical engineering from Panjab University, India. She received her M.S. (2004) in chemical engineering and materials science from Michigan State University. She received her Ph.D. (2008) in biomedical engineering from the University of Michigan.

Professor Mehta's academic career has been dedicated to understanding how intercellular interactions and mechanical stimulation impact cellular phenotypes in carcinogenesis, by creating and utilizing specific engineered microenvironments. Her research is focused on various implications of biochemical intercellular interactions (cell-cell or cell-matrix interactions) and mechanical stimuli (via matrix stiffness and applied mechanical forces such as tension, compression and shear stress), in pathophysiology (ovarian and breast cancer carcinogenesis). The ultimate goal of the research being conducted in her lab is to develop novel therapeutics to increase cancer cure rates and decrease patient suffering.

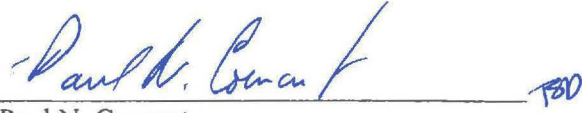
We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Geeta Mehta as the Dow Corning Assistant Professor of Materials Science and Engineering, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019.

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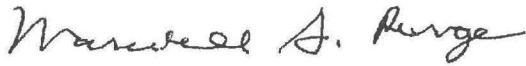
RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



Alec D. Gallimore, Ph.D.  
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  
College of Engineering



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
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Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs  
Dean, Medical School

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to Arthur F. Thurnau Professorship

NAME: Mark B. Moldwin

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, with tenure,  
College of Engineering

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Arthur F. Thurnau Professor


EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2017

In 1988, the Board of Regents established the Arthur F. Thurnau Professorships to recognize and reward faculty for outstanding contributions to undergraduate education. Based on his extraordinary achievements, I am delighted to recommend that Mark B. Moldwin be designated a Thurnau Professor.

Professor Moldwin's career-long commitment to undergraduate education is evidenced by multiple awards for his excellent and innovative teaching, as well as his influence on the larger community of teachers and students in the College of Engineering. All tout his outstanding work as a mentor and supervisor to undergraduate students, and he regularly uses active learning strategies to create a small-class environment in his large lectures. This includes his development of "Dorm Room Labs," a set of low-cost or free labs that students do as homework, adding a hands-on component to classes without a traditional lab. As one student wrote, "As a scientist, teacher, mentor, or entrepreneur, he is constantly willing both to engage and be engaged." Professor Moldwin has demonstrated a deep commitment to expanding opportunities for underrepresented populations in science, including a collaboration with the School of Education to prepare UM pre-service science teachers to work in underserved urban schools. He similarly developed a summer international research experience with the South African National Space Agency that encourages UM students to become culturally competent engineers. Professor Moldwin's impact on undergraduate education extends beyond his own classroom and students. As the chair of the department's curriculum committee, he led the development of two new degree programs, and he shares his creativity and passion for teaching with colleagues as a frequent presenter and panelist in pedagogy workshops. As one colleague writes, "Professor Moldwin's commitment to undergraduate education is exemplary and his impact on undergraduate students is long and lasting."

For his exceptional teaching and dedication to undergraduate students, I recommend him for a Thurnau Professorship.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Barzan Mozafari

CURRENT TITLE: Assistant Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Computer Science and Engineering Division, College of Engineering

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Morris Wellman Faculty Development Assistant Professor of Computer Science and Engineering, College of Engineering

TERM: Two Years

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Barzan Mozafari as the Morris Wellman Faculty Development Assistant Professor of Computer Science and Engineering, Computer Science and Engineering Division, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018.

The Morris Wellman Faculty Development Assistant Professorship in Computer Science and Engineering was established by the Regents in March 2001. A second professorship was established by the Regents in March 2011. Michael P. Wellman, professor of electrical engineering and computer science, endowed this professorship in his grandfather's name. Morris Wellman was an engineer who worked for most of his career as a civil servant of the City of New York. The professorships are awarded to a junior faculty member to recognize outstanding contributions to teaching and research. Appointments to this professorship may be up to two years.

Professor Mozafari received his B.S. in computer engineering in 2006 from the Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, Iran. He received his M.S. and Ph.D. in computer science from the University of California, Los Angeles in 2008 and 2011, respectively. Between 2011 and 2013, Professor Mozafari completed a post-doctoral fellowship at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In 2013, he joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor.

Professor Mozafari leads a research group designing the next generation of scalable databases using advanced statistical models. His research career has led to many successful open-source projects, including CliffGuard (the first robust framework for database tuning), DBSeer (the first automated database diagnosis tool), and BlinkDB (the first massively parallel approximate query



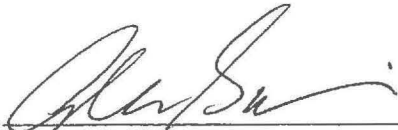
engine). He is the recipient of a National Science Foundation CAREER Award, as well as several best paper awards in ACM SIGMOD and EuroSys. He is also a co-founder of DBSeer and a strategic advisor to SnappyData, a company that commercializes the ideas introduced by BlinkDB.

Professor Mozafari has taught senior-level elective and graduate-level courses on database systems, as well as an advanced graduate-level course on databases, receiving excellent student evaluations. He is an effective mentor of graduate students, having published papers with his Ph.D.-bound students. Professor Mozafari has played an active role in the Computer Science and Engineering Division's graduate admissions committee. He is also an active participant in a variety of big data initiatives. Specifically, he serves as an instructor in the Big Data Summer Bootcamp that is targeted at attracting talented undergraduate students from peer institutions. In addition, he participates in the Michigan Institute for Computational Discovery and Engineering (MICDE), contributing to faculty recruiting and team proposals.

Professor Mozafari has a promising record as a teacher and scholar and is a highly appropriate choice. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Barzan Mozafari as the Morris Wellman Faculty Development Assistant Professor of Computer Science and Engineering, Computer Science and Engineering Division, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018.

RECOMMENDED BY:

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



Alec D. Gallimore, Ph.D.  
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  
College of Engineering



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Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Mary X.D. O’Riordan, Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Associate Dean for Graduate and Post-doctoral Studies, and Associate Professor of Microbiology and Immunology, with tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Frederick C. Neidhardt Collegiate Professor, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021

On the recommendation of Harry L. T. Mobley, Ph.D., the Frederick G. Novy Distinguished University Professor and Chair of the Department of Microbiology and Immunology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Mary X.D. O’Riordan, Ph.D. as the Frederick C. Neidhardt Collegiate Professor, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021.

The Frederick C. Neidhardt Collegiate Professorship was established in the Provost Office and was named in December 2016. A stipend from school resources will accompany this professorship. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Mary X.D. O’Riordan received her Ph.D. degree in immunology in 1999 from the University of California, San Francisco. She completed a fellowship in bacterial pathogenesis at the University of California, Berkeley in 2003 and was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Michigan that same year. Dr. O’Riordan was promoted to an associate professor in 2010. She was appointed as the associate dean of graduate and post-doctoral studies in the Medical School in 2015.

Dr. O’Riordan’s research focuses on the interaction of intracellular bacterial pathogens with their host cells. She primarily studies the Gram-positive bacterium *Listeria monocytogenes*, a facultative intracytosolic pathogen, investigating mechanisms of adaptation to the host cell environment. Her current focus is to understand how cellular stress responses, such as endoplasmic reticulum or mitochondrial stress, are integrated into innate immune signaling circuits to influence inflammation and anti-microbial effector function. Dr. O’Riordan is well-funded by the NIH for her research, and has 26 peer-reviewed articles to her credit. Her research excellence is evident by appointment as a National Academy of Science Kavli fellow in 2014.

Dr. O’Riordan has contributed to her field through service as an editorial board member for *Infection and Immunity*, and *Clinical and Vaccine Immunology*. She is associate editor for *PLoS Pathogens* and the *Frontiers in Cellular and Infection Microbiology*. She was the director of the programs in biomedical sciences (PIBS) graduate program in 2014-2015, and is a standing member for the NIH bacterial pathogenesis study section.

Dr. O’Riordan is an extraordinarily innovative scientist and mentor in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology, and plays key roles in the Medical School’s education mission. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Mary X.D. O’Riordan, Ph.D. as the Frederick C. Neidhardt Collegiate Professor, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021.

Recommended by:



Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Subramaniam Pennathur, M.B.B.S.

CURRENT TITLES: Associate Professor of Internal Medicine, with tenure, and Associate Professor of Molecular and Integrative Physiology, without tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Norman Radin Professor of Nephrology, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021

On the recommendation of John M. Carethers, M.D., the John G. Searle Professor and Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Subramaniam Pennathur, M.B.B.S. as the Norman Radin Professor of Nephrology, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021.

The Norman Radin Professorship in Nephrology was established in February 2015 through a gift from the Genzyme Corporation. It will support the research and clinical efforts of a faculty member in the Department of Internal Medicine in the Division of Nephrology. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Dr. Pennathur received his M.B.B.S. degree from Tirunelveli Medical College at Madurai University in India in 1991. He spent six months as an exchange student at Harvard Medical School where he was first exposed to cutting edge biomedical research. He returned to Harvard as a research fellow and investigated nuclear receptor regulation of gene transcription. Dr. Pennathur completed his clinical training in internal medicine and fellowships in endocrinology and nephrology in 2001 at Washington University. In 2002, he was appointed as a clinical instructor at that institution. He was appointed as an acting instructor at the University of Washington in 2003. Dr. Pennathur joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2006 as an assistant professor of internal medicine. In 2012, he was promoted to an associate professor, and in 2016 was jointly appointed in the Department of Molecular and Integrative Physiology. Dr. Pennathur was appointed as the chief of the Division of Nephrology in 2016.

Dr. Pennathur's research has focused on the applications of biological mass spectrometry in disease pathogenesis. A major focus of his lab has been to define the role of oxidative stress on disease pathogenesis and complications, including diabetic complications, chronic disease, autoimmune disease and cardiovascular disease. His research is well-funded through the NIH, and Dr. Pennathur has served on multiple NIH study sections. He has also been a grant reviewer for the American Diabetes Association, and the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Dr. Pennathur's research has been recognized by numerous awards, including the Doris Duke Foundation Clinical Scientist Development Award in 2007, induction into the Medical School League of Research Excellence in 2011 and the Jerome W. Conn Award for Research Excellence from the Department of Internal Medicine in 2012. He has mentored undergraduate, graduate and medical students, physician scientists and post-doctoral fellows. Dr. Pennathur also leads the Physician Scientist Training Program for the Department of Internal Medicine where M.D. and Ph.D. residents work toward an eventual independent research program.

Dr. Pennathur represents the same dedication and commitment in his research and service that was evident in Dr. Radin. He is very productive with more than 100 publications to his credit, and is a fitting candidate to continue Dr. Radin's legacy. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Subramaniam Pennathur, M.B.B.S. as the Norman Radin Professor of Nephrology, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021.

Recommended by:



Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Andrew J. Putnam

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Biomedical Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering and Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Robert C. Leland, Jr. and Donna D. Leland Professor of Biomedical Engineering and Cardiovascular Medicine, College of Engineering and Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Andrew J. Putnam as the Robert C. Leland, Jr. and Donna D. Leland Professor of Biomedical Engineering and Cardiovascular Medicine, College of Engineering and Medical School, for a five-year renewable term, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021.

This professorship was established by the Regents in December 2016 to honor Robert C. Leland, Jr. and Donna D. Leland. The professorship is funded by a gift from Robert C. Leland, Jr. and Donna D. Leland to support research in the field of Cardiovascular Medicine. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Professor Putnam received his B.S. degree in chemical engineering (*cum laude*) from the University of California, Los Angeles, CA in 1994. He received his M.S. and his Ph.D. degrees in chemical engineering from the University of Michigan in 1996 and 2001, respectively. Between 2001 and 2002, Professor Putnam completed a post-doctoral fellowship at the Van Andel Institute, Grand Rapids, MI. In 2003, he was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of California, Irvine. He was promoted to associate professor in 2008. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2009 as an associate professor, with tenure, and was promoted to professor in 2015.

Professor Putnam's area of expertise is the extracellular matrix (ECM), with a particular emphasis on the role of the ECM in regenerative therapies. Fundamental biological research in his laboratory addresses how the material properties of the ECM influence both normal and pathologic tissue morphogenesis, with an effort to define the mechanisms that drive these processes in 3D. His lab's engineering efforts then seek to leverage this fundamental knowledge to inspire the design of "instructive materials" for applications in regenerative medicine and as

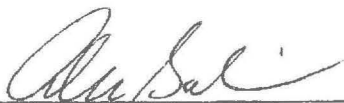
model systems in which to study disease. In recent years, Professor Putnam and his team have focused most of their attention on cell/material-based strategies to direct vascularization in vitro and in vivo, with an eye towards developing new therapies for ischemic conditions in the clinic. Professor Putnam is a recipient of the NSF CAREER Award (2007), a New Faculty Award from CIRM (2008), the Sheila and Don Bayne Cardiovascular Genetics Endowed Lectureship from the Ottawa Heart Institute (2015), and is a fellow of the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering (2016). He has published over 60 peer-reviewed journal papers and raised more than \$11 million in funding for his laboratory.

Professor Putnam is very active in teaching and service. During his career at two different universities, he has taught 10 different courses, six of which were completely new additions to the curriculum (three at UM) and for which there were no viable textbooks. One notable course he developed at Michigan is Introduction to BME Design (BIOMEDE 350), a required junior-level design course intended to expose students to key aspects of biomedical device design or biotechnology product development. He has taught courses across all levels, impacting well over 1000 students in the classroom. In his research laboratory, Professor Putnam has trained 16 doctoral students, as well as several M.S. students, post-doctoral fellows, and undergraduates. He also served as the associate chair for graduate education (2014-2016), and currently serves as the director of the Cellular Biotechnology Training Program, an NIH T32-funded program spanning nine different departments and four colleges across the University of Michigan.

Professor Putnam's academic achievements fully merit his appointment. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Andrew J. Putnam as the Robert C. Leland, Jr. and Donna D. Leland Professor of Biomedical Engineering and Cardiovascular Medicine, College of Engineering and Medical School, for a five-year renewable term, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021.

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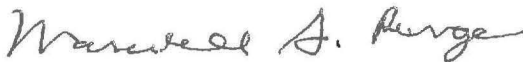
RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



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College of Engineering



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Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs  
Dean, Medical School

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Barry G. Rabe

CURRENT TITLES: Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, Professor of Public Policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, Professor of Environmental Policy, without tenure, School of Natural Resources and Environment, Professor of the Environment, without tenure, School of Natural Resources and Environment and College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and Professor of Political Science, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: J. Ira and Nicki Harris Family Professor of Public Policy, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2017 through October 31, 2021

With the approval of the Executive Committee of the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and with the endorsement of the School of Natural Resources and Environment and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Barry G. Rabe as the J. Ira and Nicki Harris Family Professor of Public Policy, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, for a five-year renewable term, effective January 1, 2017 through October 31, 2021.

The Regents approved the establishment of the J. Ira and Nicki Harris Family Professorship in Public Policy in May 2003. The Harris Professorship was established by a generous gift from the J. Ira and Nicki Harris Foundation. The purpose of the professorship is to support research and instruction in key areas related to public policy, including a wide range of economic and political issues. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Barry Rabe received his Bachelor of Arts degree (summa cum laude) from Carthage College in 1979. He attended the University of Chicago, where he completed a Master of Arts degree in 1980 and his doctorate in 1985. He joined the University of Michigan faculty in 1985 as an assistant professor of health politics in the School of Public Health. He achieved tenure there in 1992 and became a professor in 1999. His appointment was moved to the School of Natural Resources and Environment (SNRE), where he was instrumental in the creation of the Program in the Environment (PitE) and where he served as interim dean for two years. Professor Rabe has had an active appointment in the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy since 2001, and his tenured appointment was moved to the Ford School in 2009. He also has joint appointments in both the School of Natural Resources and Environment and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.

Since he first joined the university community as a tenure-track faculty member 25 years ago, Professor Rabe has shown an extraordinary dedication to undergraduate teaching and learning. An award winning teacher, his contributions in this area are profound, ranging from his personal creativity in undergraduate course design, to his employment of innovative teaching techniques and



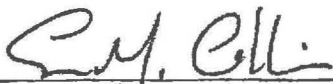
his long-standing service as an active and compassionate mentor and advisor. In recognition of his dedication to teaching, he was appointed as an Arthur F. Thurnau Professor in 2011.

Professor Rabe continues to make major professional contributions through his scholarship and public engagement. He has published a number of influential papers, with his work on policies to address climate change and fracking of particular note, receiving considerable attention among academic as well as policy audiences. He is extremely active as a fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration, and recently served on the Presidential Transition 2016 Panel on Collaboration across Boundaries. He was awarded a prestigious Public Policy Scholar position by the Woodrow Wilson International Center for his sabbatical in 2015, and a Distinguished Alumnus Award by his Alma Mater, Carthage College, in 2014. Since 2011, he has also been a highly successful director of the Ford School's Center for Local, State and Urban Policy, leading efforts to expand its impact throughout the state of Michigan.

He makes major contributions through his teaching and service as well. Professor Rabe led an innovative and successful effort to revise the Ford School's public management core requirements. His performance in the classroom continues to be stellar, and his courses are consistently overflowing. He is an extremely valued colleague in PitE. Highly collaborative, he has played important roles across campus, including SNRE, and the Michigan in Washington program.

We are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Barry G. Rabe as the J. Ira and Nicki Harris Family Professor of Public Policy, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, for a five-year renewable term, effective January 1, 2017 through October 31, 2021.

Recommended by:



Susan M. Collins  
Joan and Sanford Weill Dean of Public Policy  
Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy



Daniel G. Brown  
Interim Dean and Professor  
School of Natural Resources and Environment



Andrew D. Martin, Dean  
Professor of Political Science and Statistics  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Recommendation endorsed by:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to Arthur F. Thurnau Professorship  
NAME: J. Logan Skelton  
CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Music, with tenure, School of Music, Theatre & Dance  
ADDITIONAL TITLE: Arthur F. Thurnau Professor  
EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2017

In 1988, the Board of Regents established the Arthur F. Thurnau Professorships to recognize and reward faculty for outstanding contributions to undergraduate education. Based on his extraordinary achievements, I am delighted to recommend that J. Logan Skelton be designated a Thurnau Professor.

Professor Skelton's students stand out as "intellectually sophisticated, because he challenges their minds as well as their fingers." His remarkable record of teaching awards, and the equally impressive roster of awards won by his students, are evidence of what one student lauds as "an ability to mold his approach to the needs of each individual student, for his or her particular needs at any moment." Through innovative and inclusive teaching methods, Professor Skelton has welcomed a diverse range of students into his piano performance studio, "partnering with them in the educational enterprise from the positive perspective of ability, and not of disability," as one colleague describes. Students are quick to praise his support and mentorship, from his efforts to develop and include undergraduates in professional and performance opportunities on campus and internationally, to the thoughtful guidance and extremely practical career help he provides as students transition to their lives as professional musicians. Professor Skelton's service to the School of Music, Theater & Dance includes overhauling and teaching the piano literature courses that form the basis of the curriculum today, and actively recruiting a diverse range of students at the undergraduate level. One student says that Professor Skelton sets out "to give students the freedom to be their own artists, and to express the inherent beauty that music allows," and this speaks to a commitment to supporting creativity and individuality that underpins all of his many accomplishments.

For his exceptional teaching and dedication to undergraduate students, I recommend him for a Thurnau Professorship.

Respectfully submitted,



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Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

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UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Jing Sun

CURRENT TITLES: Michael G. Parsons Collegiate Professor of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, Professor of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, with tenure, Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, without tenure, and Professor of Mechanical Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Chair, Department of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, College of Engineering

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021

The dean is pleased to recommend the appointment of Jing Sun as chair, Department of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021.

Professor Sun received her B.A. and M.S. degrees from the University of Science and Technology of China in 1982 and 1984, respectively. She received her Ph.D. from the University of Southern California in 1989. Following graduation, Professor Sun was appointed as an assistant professor in the Electrical and Computer Engineering Department at Wayne State University. Between 1993 and 2001, she served in the Powertrain Control Systems Department at the Ford Research Laboratories as a technical specialist (until 1996) and then as a senior technical specialist (until 2001). She remained with the Ford Research Laboratories as a staff technical specialist (project leader) from 2001 to 2003 in the Powertrain Control Research & Advanced Engineering Department. In 2003, Professor Sun joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an associate professor and was promoted to professor in 2008. She was appointed as the Michael G. Parsons Collegiate Professor of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering in 2015.

Professor Sun's research interests include control theory and optimization, as well as their applications to marine and automotive propulsion systems. She holds 39 U.S. patents, has co-authored a textbook, Robust Adaptive Control, and has published over 200 journal and conference papers. She has served as the associate editor for several control journals, including the *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control*, the *IEEE Transactions on Control Systems Technology*, and the *International Journal of Adaptive Control and Signal Processing*. Professor

Sun is an IEEE fellow and is one of three recipients of the 2003 IEEE Control system Technology Award.

Professor Sun has served in a number of roles at the University of Michigan. These include membership on a variety of committees, such as her department's faculty search committee and award committee (as chair). She served as an elected member of the College of Engineering Executive Committee (2011 to 2015) and she is a current member of the Dean's Advisory Committee for Female Faculty. She also served as a member on the Rackham Graduate School's Michigan Mentoring Initiative Committee (2007 to 2011).

Professor Sun has demonstrated that she possesses the experience, ability, and commitment to fulfill the important responsibilities of a department chair in the College of Engineering. I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Jing Sun as chair, Department of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021.

RECOMMENDED BY:

RECOMMENDATON ENDORSED BY:



Alec D. Gallimore, Ph.D.  
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  
College of Engineering



Martha E. Pollack  
Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment for a Faculty Member  
NAME: Kevin R. Ward, M.D.  
CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Emergency Medicine, with tenure, Medical School  
ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Biomedical Engineering, without tenure, Medical School  
and College of Engineering  
EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 2017

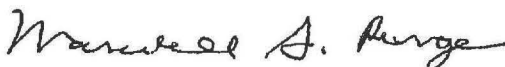
On the recommendation of Lonnie D. Shea, Ph.D., professor and chair of the Department of Biomedical Engineering, we are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Kevin R. Ward, M.D. as professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, effective February 1, 2017.

Dr. Ward received his M.D. from Tulane University. After holding faculty positions at The Ohio State University and Virginia Commonwealth University, he joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as a professor of emergency medicine in 2012. Dr. Ward's research focuses on oxygen transport and noninvasive monitoring, resuscitation, coagulation and inflammation, combat casualty care and bioinformatics and computer modeling of critical illness and injuries.

Dr. Ward currently serves as the executive director for the Michigan Center for Integrative Research in Critical Care (MCIRCC) and the Medical School's Fast Forward Medical Innovation program. Through participation in these programs, he has developed a significant number of research and educational opportunities between the Medical School and the College of Engineering. This proposed appointment will formalize these ties and allow for additional collaborative opportunities. We are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Kevin R. Ward, M.D. as professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, effective February 1, 2017.

Recommended by:

Recommendation endorsed by:



Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs  
Dean, Medical School



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs



Alec D. Gaffimoré, Ph.D.  
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  
College of Engineering

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ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Vincent B. Young, M.D., Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Internal Medicine, with tenure, and Professor of Microbiology and Immunology, without tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: William Henry Fitzbutler Collegiate Professor of Internal Medicine, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021

On the recommendation of John M. Carethers, M.D., the John G. Searle Professor and Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Vincent B. Young, M.D., Ph.D. as the William Henry Fitzbutler Collegiate Professor of Internal Medicine, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021.

The Henry Fitzbutler Collegiate Professorship in Internal Medicine was established in February 2015 through a generous gift from the Genzyme Corporation. It will support the research and clinical efforts of a faculty member in the Department of Internal Medicine. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

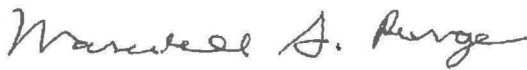
Dr. Young received his M.D. and Ph.D. degrees from Stanford University in 1992, under the joint guidance of Gary Schoolnik and Stanley Falkow. He completed a residency in internal medicine and a fellowship in infectious diseases at the Massachusetts General Hospital. Dr. Young was appointed as an assistant professor in the College of Human Medicine at Michigan State University in 2001. He was appointed as an assistant professor of internal medicine at the University of Michigan in 2007. In 2008, he was jointly appointed in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology. Dr. Young was promoted to an associate professor in 2010 in internal medicine, and in 2016 in microbiology and immunology.

Dr. Young's research focuses on understanding the role of the bacterial communities that normally inhabit the human body and how they influence the health status of the host. He has led a number of research projects conducted by interdisciplinary groups of scientists. This team science approach to complex problems concerning the microbiome has been funded by a series of large grants from the NIH. He is a standing member of the NIH gastrointestinal mucosal pathobiology study section, and serves on a committee for the Infectious Disease Society of America. Dr. Young is a co-director of the University of Michigan Medical School Fast Forward Host Microbiome

Initiative. He has published more than 130 articles, written four books and is highly sought after to present his research, with 67 invited presentations to his credit.

Dr. Young is an extremely successful researcher in the field of translational microbiology, and is a deserving candidate for this professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Vincent B. Young, M.D., Ph.D. as the William Henry Fitzbutler Collegiate Professor of Internal Medicine, Medical School, effective February 1, 2017 through August 31, 2021.

Recommended by:



Marshall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to Arthur F. Thurnau Professorship

NAME: Donald R. Zak

CURRENT TITLES: Burton V. Barnes Collegiate Professor, Professor of Natural Resources, with tenure, School of Natural Resources and Environment, and Professor of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Arthur F. Thurnau Professor

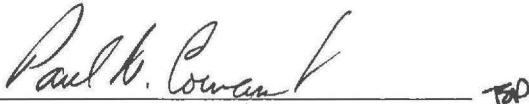
EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2017

In 1988, the Board of Regents established the Arthur F. Thurnau Professorships to recognize and reward faculty for outstanding contributions to undergraduate education. Based on his extraordinary achievements, I am delighted to recommend that Donald R. Zak be designated a Thurnau Professor.

Professor Zak turns traditional classrooms, the lab, and the field alike into unforgettable educational opportunities with his “amazing talent for designing field learning experiences that challenge students with their complexity - but do not frustrate students with their open-endedness.” Students describe how his introductions of complex issues ignite student curiosity and agency and inspire them to learn more. He regularly mixes students of diverse backgrounds and abilities, structuring small group work to empower them in supportive classroom environments, where Professor Zak “treated us all as students who were equally capable of excelling.” Undergraduates regularly go on from his classes to pursue careers and graduate school in ecology, and they speak eloquently about his mentorship lasting far beyond final course grades to include time in his research labs, trips to conferences, and advice on their professional dossiers. In his current role as associate dean in the School of Natural Resources and the Environment, Professor Zak extends this care to the undergraduate population at large, with one colleague saying “his efforts and decisions are always justified and prioritized in terms of what is best for our students.” Integrating his own award-winning teaching practice into his work on curricular design and coaching junior faculty on their teaching and mentorship, Professor Zak models how service can extend the efforts of one extraordinary teacher to a department and school at large.

For his exceptional teaching and dedication to undergraduate students, I recommend him for a Thurnau Professorship.

Respectfully submitted,



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

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Establishing and renaming professorships and selected  
academic and administrative positions.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a New Academic Administrative Title  
RECOMMENDED TITLE: Associate Dean of Libraries, University Library  
EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2017

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the position of associate dean of libraries, University Library, effective March 1, 2017.

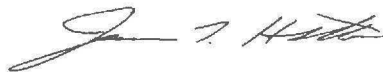
The associate dean of libraries will provide dedicated leadership over all aspects of the library in an effort to execute on the ambitious strategic direction set forth by the dean. The associate dean will also be responsible for providing programmatic, administrative, and financial leadership across the entirety of the library.

The University Library has already embarked on the ambitious task of re-imagining and transforming the library in order to position itself as a leading research library in a digital era. In this effort, the library is advancing new modes of scholarly communication, engaging users in innovative and relevant ways, deeply engaging in diversity, equity and inclusion activities, and developing collections and services that directly support the teaching, learning, and research mission of the university.

This additional leadership is needed in order to keep the Library on pace to meet the future demands of digital scholarship while also maintaining the day-to-day operations of a library that has more than 160 librarians, more than 300 staff, 600 student staff, a budget of over \$69 million and spans 1 million square feet of space, has 24/7 operations, and is home to special collections, maker spaces, studios and the University of Michigan Press. The library has identified existing funds to support the creation of this role.

I am therefore pleased to recommend the establishment of the position of associate dean of libraries, University Library, effective March 1, 2017.

RECOMMENDED BY:



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James Hilton  
University Librarian and Dean of Libraries,  
Vice Provost for Academic Innovation,  
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor,  
and Professor of Information

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



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Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
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REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Career Development Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Patrick C. Fischer Development Professorship in Theoretical  
Computer Science, College of Engineering

TERM: Two Years, Non-Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 2017

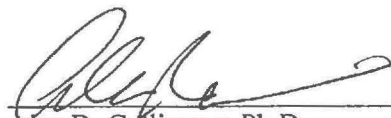
We are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Patrick C. Fischer Development Professorship in Theoretical Computer Science, College of Engineering, effective February 1, 2017.

Charlotte F. Fischer provided a gift of \$2M to establish an endowed professorship known as the Patrick C. Fischer Professorship in Theoretical Computer Science (established by the Regents in June 2013). In 2016, Mrs. Fischer extended the purpose of the Patrick C. Fischer Fund for Theoretical Computer Science so that one or more two-year awards as the Patrick C. Fischer Development Professorship in Theoretical Computer Science are established. The holder(s) will be an assistant or associate professor in the Division of Computer Science and Engineering, College of Engineering, for the purpose of retention or recruiting junior faculty in the area of Theoretical Computer Science. Appointments to this professorship may be up to two non-renewable years.

Patrick Fischer received his B.S. in mathematics (1957) and M.B.A. in actuarial science (1958) both from the University of Michigan. He received his Ph.D. in mathematics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Patrick C. Fischer was a professor and chair of the computer science department at Vanderbilt University from 1980-1995 and retired in 1998. Professor Fischer also taught at Harvard, Cornell, Waterloo and Pennsylvania State University. He passed away at the age of 75 in 2011.

The College of Engineering is grateful to Charlotte F. Fischer for her generosity and support. In recognition of this significant gift, we request that the Regents formally establish the Patrick C. Fischer Development Professorship in Theoretical Computer Science, College of Engineering, effective February 1, 2017

RECOMMENDED BY:



Alec D. Gallimore, Ph.D.  
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  
College of Engineering

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Naming of an Existing Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Millicent W. Higgins Collegiate Professorship in Epidemiology, School of Public Health

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 2017

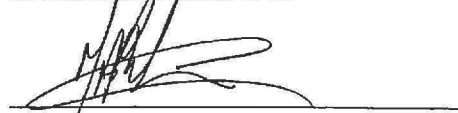
With the concurrence of the Executive Committee, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Millicent W. Higgins Collegiate Professorship in Epidemiology, School of Public Health, effective February 1, 2017.

This professorship was established through the Provost's Office. A stipend funded by school resources will accompany this professorship. Appointments may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Millicent W. Higgins, M.D. joined the Tecumseh study staff in 1959 as an examining physician with an appointment as a research associate and was promoted to assistant professor in 1963. In 1967, she returned from the University of Pittsburgh as an associate professor of epidemiology and a research associate in the Center for Population Planning. She was promoted to professor in 1974. In 1983, she was appointed as a professor in internal medicine in the Medical School. Dr. Higgins retired from active faculty status in 1985. She was a highly regarded teacher and mentor for hundreds of students in the School of Public Health. Throughout her career Dr. Higgins taught epidemiology, but her principal research activity was in Tecumseh where her interests extended to include studies of high blood pressure and breast cancer as well as the chronic respiratory diseases. Her first appointment as a consultant to the National Institutes of Health was in 1969. In 1971, Dr. Higgins was named to the pulmonary diseases advisory committee of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, to the council in 1975, and to chairmanship of the clinical trials review committee in 1981.

Dr. Higgins' outstanding contributions to the field, her dedication to the School of Public Health, and her commitment to students are among the many reasons why establishing this professorship in her honor is appropriate.

RECOMMENDED BY:



Martin A. Philbert  
Dean, School of Public Health

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

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REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship  
PROPOSED NAME: John G. Searle Associate Professorship, College of Pharmacy  
TERM: Five Years, Renewable  
EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 2017


On behalf of the College of Pharmacy Executive Committee, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the John G. Searle Associate Professorship, College of Pharmacy, effective February 1, 2017.

The John G. Searle Professorship was established by Mr. John G. Searle in 1977 with a generous endowment in the amount of \$1,000,000 for the purpose of recognizing leading scholars in any discipline within the College of Pharmacy. In order to maximize the substantial income generated by the endowment account, the Searle Family has granted their support for the establishment of additional positions to supplement the three positions already in existence at the College of Pharmacy (John G. Searle Professorship, John Gideon Searle Professorship, and the John Gideon Searle Assistant Professorship).


The John G. Searle Associate Professorship will be used to recognize an outstanding mid-level scholar in any discipline within the College of Pharmacy. The dean of the College of Pharmacy will recommend candidates to the Regents. Appointments may be up to five years and may be renewed.

In recognition of the generous gift from John G. Searle and with respect for the wishes of his family, we recommend the establishment of the John G. Searle Associate Professorship, College of Pharmacy, effective February 1, 2017.

RECOMMENDED BY:

  
James F. Dalton  
Dean, College of Pharmacy

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

  
Paul N. Courant  
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship  
PROPOSED NAME: J.G. Searle Professorship, College of Pharmacy  
TERM: Five Years, Renewable  
EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 2017

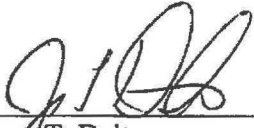
On behalf of the College of Pharmacy Executive Committee, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the J.G. Searle Professorship, College of Pharmacy, effective February 1, 2017.

The John G. Searle Professorship was established by Mr. John G. Searle in 1977 with a generous endowment in the amount of \$1,000,000 for the purpose of recognizing leading scholars in any discipline within the College of Pharmacy. In order to maximize the substantial income generated by the endowment account, the Searle Family has granted their support for the establishment of additional positions to supplement the three positions already in existence at the College of Pharmacy (John G. Searle Professorship, John Gideon Searle Professorship, and the John Gideon Searle Assistant Professorship).

The J.G. Searle Professorship will be used to recognize an outstanding scholar at the senior level in any discipline within the College of Pharmacy. The dean of the College of Pharmacy will recommend candidates to the Regents. Appointments may be up to five years and may be renewed.

In recognition of the generous gift from John G. Searle and with respect for the wishes of his family, we recommend the establishment of the J.G. Searle Professorship, College of Pharmacy, effective February 1, 2017.

RECOMMENDED BY:

  
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James T. Dalton  
Dean, College of Pharmacy

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

  
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Interim Provost and Executive Vice President  
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Recommendations for approval of other personnel transactions  
for regular instructional staff and selected  
academic and administrative staff

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Transfer of Tenure and change in Title for a Faculty Member

NAME: Karla Mallette

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Italian, with tenure, Department of Romance Languages and Literature, and Professor of Near Eastern Studies, without tenure, Department of Near Eastern Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Professor of Italian, with tenure, Department of Romance Languages and Literature, and Professor of Mediterranean Studies, with tenure, Department of Near Eastern Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2017

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Near Eastern Studies and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and with the endorsement of the Department of Romance Languages and Literature, we are pleased to recommend a transfer of tenure and change in title for Karla Mallette from professor of Italian, with tenure, Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, and professor of Near Eastern studies, without tenure, Department of Near Eastern Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, to professor of Italian, with tenure, Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, and professor of Mediterranean studies, with tenure, Department of Near Eastern Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017.

Karla Mallette received her Doctorate from the University of Toronto in 1988. Professor Mallette joined the faculty at Michigan as an associate professor, with tenure, in 2009 and she was promoted to professor in 2013.

Professor Mallette's research is focused on the medieval Mediterranean, and in addition to Latin and Italian uses a significant amount of Arabic sources in her work. Since her arrival at Michigan in 2009, Professor Mallette has taught courses of direct relevance to the Department of Near Eastern Studies (NES), including some that could be housed in NES, such as "Islamic World Literature," "Jihad and Crusade in the Medieval Middle East," and "Italy and the Muslim World." Her administrative position as the director of the Islamic Studies Program and her previous involvement as an associate director of the Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies have amply demonstrated her creative engagement with current scholarship on the medieval and modern Middle East and Islam, leading to some of the most intellectually engaging events on the topic. Professor Mallette will also be helpful in integrating NES and its curriculum more rigorously with the Mediterranean Perspectives initiative.



Professor Mallette has been an active contributor to NES' activities in the form of lectures and co-teaching, and she has been a regular presence and contributor in departmental meetings. The department looks forward to drawing on her ideas in curriculum planning as NES continues the transformation of its undergraduate program. The two departments also hope to strengthen their mutual ties through involvement in the Mediterranean Initiative.

We are pleased to recommend a transfer of tenure and change in title for Karla Mallette from professor of Italian, with tenure, Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, and professor of Near Eastern studies, without tenure, Department of Near Eastern Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, to professor of Italian, with tenure, Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, and professor of Mediterranean studies, with tenure, Department of Near Eastern Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2017.

RECOMMENDED BY:



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Andrew D. Martin, Dean  
Professor of Political Science and Statistics  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



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Interim Provost and Executive Vice  
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ACTION REQUEST: Correction to Effective Date of New Appointment

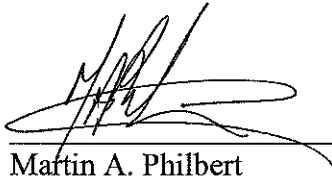
NAME: Briana Mezuk

In the December 2016 Regents Communication requesting Briana Mezuk be appointed as associate professor of epidemiology, with tenure, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2017, her appointment effective date has changed. The correction follows.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2017

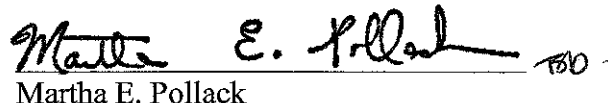
Please accept this correction to Briana Mezuk's appointment information.

RECOMMENDED BY:



Martin A. Philbert  
Dean, School of Public Health

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



Martha E. Pollack  
Provost and Executive Vice President  
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**UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - DEARBORN**

Recommendations for approval of new appointments  
and promotions for regular associate and full professor ranks, with tenure

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval

NAME: Patricia A. Wren

TITLES: Chair, Department of Health and Human Services, and Professor of Health and Human Services, College of Education, Health, and Human Services

TENURE STATUS: With Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 13, 2017

APPOINTMENT PERIOD: University Year

With the support of the dean of the College of Education, Health, and Human Services and with the endorsement of the provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Patricia A. Wren as chair, Department of Health and Human Services, effective March 13, 2017 through June 30, 2020, and professor of health and human services, with tenure, College of Education, Health, and Human Services, effective March 13, 2017.

**ACADEMIC DEGREES**

Professor Wren received her Doctor of Philosophy in education from University of Michigan School of Education in 1999. Her Master of Public Health in health and behavior and health education was received in 1992 from the School of Public Health, University of Michigan. Her Master of Science in management of public services and undergraduate B.A. in political science were obtained at DePaul University in 1988 and 1986, respectively. Professor Wren's undergraduate A.A. in social science was received from William Rainey Harper College in 1984.

**PROFESSIONAL RECORD**

Professor Wren is currently a professor and program director for the Master of Public Health Program at Oakland University, having progressed from her original position of assistant professor in 2006. Previously, she had held various positions, beginning in 1993 from a research associate to an adjunct faculty member at the School of Public Health, University of Michigan. Professor Wren also served as an adjunct faculty member at Sienna Heights University from 1993 until 2000.

**SUMMARY OF EVALUATION**

Professor Wren has participated and conducted research spanning a wide range of diseases and health problems. She has a portfolio of research, teaching, and service, coupled with experience, including approximately 40 peer-reviewed publications and a number of book chapters.

## PUBLICATIONS:

- Hawley LD, MacDonald MG, Wallace EH, Smith J, Wummel B, Wren PA. (2016). Baseline assessment of campus-wide general health status and mental health: Opportunity for tailored suicide prevention and mental health awareness programming. *Journal of American College Health*, 64(3):174-83. PMID: 26629849.
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- Menees SB, Kim HM, Wren P, Zikmund-Fisher BJ, Elta GH, Foster S, Korsnes S, Graustein B, Schoenfeld P. (2014). Patient compliance and suboptimal bowel preparation with split-dose regimen in average-risk screening colonoscopy. *Gastrointestinal Endoscopy*. 79(5):811-820.e.3. PMID: 24631492. <http://dx.doi.or/10.1016j.gie.2014.01.024>
- Blain-Moraes S, Schaff R, Gruis KL, Huggins JE and Wren PA. (2012). Barriers to and mediator of brain-computer interface user acceptance: *Focus group findings*. *Ergonomics*. 55(5):516-525. PMID: 22455595. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/00140139.2012.661082>
- Huggins JE, Wren PA, and Gruis KL. (2001). What would brain-computer interface users want? Opinions and priorities of potential users with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis. *Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis*. 12(5):318-324. PMID: 21534845; NIHMSID#350696 <http://dxdoi.org/10.2109/17482968.2011.572978>.

## EXCERPTS FROM EXTERNAL REVIEWS

Reviewer A: "Professor Wren's CV contains an impressive set of accomplishments and products, there is an amazing amount of consistency in performance metrics regardless of criteria for promotion- teaching/advising, research and service. Professor Wren is clearly a good teacher as indicated by the evaluation scores from her classes going all the way back to the fall semester of 2006. This is in addition to the teaching awards received as well as the nominations for outstanding teaching."

Reviewer B: "Based on my review, I am impressed by the quantity and quality of Dr. Wren's scholarly record as it relates to the current needs of the profession....Her work is placed in high-visibility journals with broad audience reach."

Reviewer C: "I am delighted and honored to write a letter of scholarship assessment for Dr. Patricia A. Wren... ..she has authored or co-authored 40 data-based articles in international and national peer-reviewed journals. She is first author on five of these articles and second author on nine others. Many of these journals are highly selective...Publication in these journals is evidence of the high quality of Dr. Wren's scholarship to date. Particularly impressive is her record of citation by other scholars at this early point in her career....she is a valued member of multiple research teams...principal investigator on one NIH grant-funded project...co-author of nine books chapters and has delivered an impressive number of presentations at national scientific meetings...In anticipation of emerging BCI (...brain computer interface) technologies, she has identified and described the views and priorities of potential users...These efforts are

innovative because they could help influence the development of BCI technologies that are on the horizon. The information generated from this line of research could also help in the dissemination these interfaces once developed.”

Reviewer D: “In my opinion Dr. Wren has contributed relevant scholarly works to the profession. ... The research she has been conducting is important and should be sustainable and fundable in the future...She has a strong record from which to build.”

Reviewer E: “Her contribution at this time is strongest in the area of increasing our knowledge about and ability to care for women...She is well positioned to make substantive contributions to our understanding of Qol in a number of different areas.”

#### SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATION

Professor Wren’s record in the areas of teaching, research, and service offer evidence of her contributions and commitment to enrich her field. Her collective research background and teaching experiences demonstrate consistent growth in achievement and responsibility, serving at various positions at Oakland University. Professor Wren is prepared to serve as the chair of the Department of Health and Human Services in the College of Education, Health, and Human Services. I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Patricia A. Wren as chair, Department of Health and Human Services, effective March 13, 2017 through June 30, 2020, and professor of health and human services, with tenure, College of Education, Health, and Human Services, effective March 13, 2017.

RECOMMENDED BY:



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Daniel Little, Chancellor  
University of Michigan-Dearborn

February 2017

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**UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - DEARBORN**

Recommendations for approval of joint or additional appointments  
or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected  
academic and administrative staff

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Maureen Linker

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Philosophy, with tenure, College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Interim Chair, Department of Language, Philosophy, and the Arts, College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017

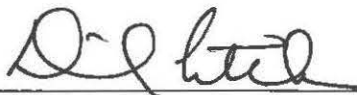
On the recommendation of the dean of the College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters, and the provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Maureen Linker as interim chair, Department of Language, Philosophy, and the Arts, College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters, effective January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017.

Professor Linker received a B.A. in philosophy and Ph.D. in philosophy from City University of New York in 1988 and 1996, respectively.

Professor Linker has been a faculty member of the College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters since 1996. She was promoted to associate professor of philosophy, with tenure, in 2002 and to professor in 2015. Her research focuses on social epistemology, logical and critical thinking, and feminist philosophy. Professor Linker has published numerous articles in peer-reviewed journals and given several invited talks at conferences in the United States and abroad. She received University of Michigan-Dearborn Faculty Research Awards in 2015 and 2012, Distinguished Teaching Award in 2009, and Susan B. Anthony Award in 2006. Professor Linker's previous administrative appointments include Honors Transfer Innovators Director 2011 to present and Women's and Gender Studies Director 2004 through 2006.

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