

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Seyed M. Mehdian, Ph.D., professor of finance in the School of Management (SOM), University of Michigan-Flint, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2025.

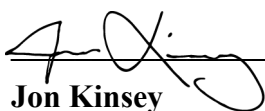
Professor Mehdian received a Ph.D. (1987) degree from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL. He joined Temple University, then transferred to The Ohio State University, and later to Western New England University, before becoming a professor of finance in the School of Management at the University of Michigan-Flint in 2004. He was instrumental in developing international academic partnerships with Romanian universities. He developed and led study abroad courses in countries such as Russia, China, India, Japan, Taiwan, and Germany. Professor Mehdian is the 2007, 2019 and 2026 recipient of the Fulbright Senior Research Scholar award. He is also an Honorary Professor of Finance at the Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania.

Professor Mehdian's research focused on behavioral finance, event study analyses, digital assets pricing, and financial markets and institutions. His research has made a significant impact in the field of finance, with 82 scholarly articles published in prestigious journals. His work has been featured in renowned publications such as the *Journal of Banking and Finance*, *Journal of Financial Services Research*, *Journal of Business Finance and Accounting*, *Real Estate Economics*, *Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics*, *Journal of Real Estate Research*, *Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance*, *Emerging Markets Review*, *Finance Research Letter*, *Global Finance Journal*, and *Emerging Market Finance and Trade*. He also served as the vice president of the Midwest Finance Association from 2008 to 2016.

Professor Mehdian received the University of Michigan-Flint's Faculty Scholarly and Creative Achievement award in 2001 and the School of Management's Service Award in 2014 and 2015. He was also awarded Erasmus+ Scholarships in 2016, 2017, and 2019. He is a Certified Practicing Accountant (Australia) and a Michigan Association of CPAs member.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Seyed M. Mehdian, professor emeritus of finance**.

Requested by:



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