SUMMARY OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS
REGENTS AGENDA
March 2022

ANN ARBOR CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval

1. New appointments and promotions for regular associate and full professor ranks, with tenure.
   (1) Levenstein, Margaret C., professor of information, with tenure, School of Information, effective August 29, 2022.
   (2) Murphy, Andrew, professor of political science, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022.

2. Reappointments of regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff.
   (1) Kardia, Sharon R., Millicent W. Higgins Collegiate Professor of Epidemiology, School of Public Health, effective April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027 (also associate dean for education, and professor of epidemiology, with tenure).
   (2) Kirkland, Anna R., professor of sociology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022 (also Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, professor of women’s and gender studies, with tenure, professor of political science, without tenure, and professor of health management and policy, without tenure, School of Public Health).
   (3) Klionsky, Daniel J., Alexander G. Ruthven Professor of Life Sciences, Life Sciences Institute, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027 (also professor of molecular, cellular, and developmental Biology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts).
   (4) Lindsay, Priscilla, Claribel Baird Halstead Collegiate Professor, School of Music, Theatre & Dance, effective September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2025 (also professor of theatre and drama, with tenure).
   (5) McCauley, Laurie K., William K. and Mary Anne Najjar Professor of Periodontics, School of Dentistry, effective April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027 (also dean, professor of dentistry, with tenure, School of Dentistry, and professor of pathology, without tenure, Medical School).
   (6) Pendse, Ravi, vice president for information technology and chief information officer, Office of the President, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.
   (7) Zimmerman, Marc A., Marshall H. Becker Collegiate Professor of Public Health, School of Public Health, effective April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027 (also professor of health behavior and health education, with tenure, School of Public Health, and professor of psychology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts).
ANN ARBOR CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval

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

(1) Beck, Robin A., acting director, Museum of Anthropological Archaeology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 (also professor of anthropology, with tenure).

(2) Braley, Tiffany J., M.D., M.S., Holton-Garrett Family Professor of Neurology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027 (also clinical associate professor, Department of Neurology).

(3) Chao, Xiuli, Ralph L. Disney Collegiate Professor of Industrial and Operations Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027 (also professor of industrial and operations engineering, with tenure).

(4) Dong, Pingsha, Robert F. Beck Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027 (also professor of naval architecture and marine engineering, with tenure, professor of mechanical engineering, without tenure, and professor of integrative systems and design, without tenure).

(5) Fearon, Eric R., M.D., Ph.D., associate dean for cancer programs, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 (also Emanuel N. Maisel Professor in Oncology, director, University of Michigan Rogel Cancer Center, professor of internal medicine, with tenure, professor of pathology, without tenure, and professor of human genetics, without tenure).

(6) Flynn, Michael, Fawwaz T. Ulaby Collegiate Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027 (also professor of electrical engineering and computer science, with tenure).

(7) Galaty, Michael, director, Museum of Anthropological Archaeology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 (also professor of anthropology, with tenure, and professor of classical studies, without tenure).

(8) Gauger, Paul G., M.D., Paul G. Gauger, M.D. as the Norman Thompson, M.D. Professor of Surgery, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027 (also professor of surgery, with tenure).
ANN ARBOR CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval

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

(9) Harms, Kelly L., M.D., Ph.D., Lewis and Lillian Becker Professor of Dermatology, Medical School, effective April 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027 (also clinical associate professor, Department of Dermatology).

(10) Jones Luong, Pauline, Edie N. Goldenberg Endowed Director of the Michigan in Washington Program, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022 through August 31, 2027 (also professor of political science, with tenure).

(11) Kumar, Purnima, William K. and Mary Anne Najjar Professor of Dentistry, School of Dentistry, effective May 1, 2022 through April 30, 2027 (also professor of dentistry, with tenure).

(12) Martins, Joaquim R.R.A., Pauline M. Sherman Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027 (also professor of aerospace engineering, with tenure).

(13) McCauley, Laurie K., provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective May 16, 2022 (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).

(14) O’Rourke, Robert W., M.D., William J. Fry Professor of Surgery, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027 (also professor of surgery, with tenure).

(15) Pulkkinen, Tuija I., George R. Carignan Collegiate Professor of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027 (also chair, Department of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, and professor of climate and space sciences and engineering, with tenure).

(16) Wang, Hom-Lay, Collegiate Professor of Periodontics, School of Dentistry, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027 (also professor of dentistry, with tenure).

(17) Wang, Xueding, Jonathan Rubin Collegiate Professor of Biomedical Engineering, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027 (also professor of biomedical engineering, with tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, and professor of radiology, without tenure, Medical School).
ANN ARBOR CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval

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

(18) Woolford, Susan J., M.D., associate professor of health behavior and health education, without tenure, School of Public Health, effective August 29, 2022 (also associate professor of pediatrics, with tenure, Medical School).

(19) Xu, Xian-Zhong Shawn, Ph.D., Bernard W. Agranoff Collegiate Professor in the Life Sciences, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027 (also professor of molecular and integrative physiology, with tenure).

4. Leaves of absence for regular instructional staff and selected academic administrative staff.

(1) Hampshire, Robert C., extension of an intergovernmental personnel assignment leave of absence, effective January 20, 2022 through January 19, 2023 (associate professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and associate professor of industrial and operations engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering).

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

(1) Establishment of an endowed professorship as the Shireen and Afzal Ahmad Professorship in South Asian Arts, Department of the History of Art, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective March 1, 2022.

(2) Establishment of a research professorship as the James W. Crudup Research Professorship, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

(3) Establishment of a research professorship as the Arthur W. Fleming, M.D. Research Professorship, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

(4) Establishment of a collegiate professorship as the Alice L. Hunt Collegiate Professorship in Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022.


(6) Establishment of a research professorship as the Maud T. Lane Research Professorship, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.
ANN ARBOR CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval

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

(7) Establishment of a research professorship as the Maud T. Lane Research Professorship in Surgical Oncology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

(8) Naming of an existing unendowed professorship as the Roderick Joseph Little Collegiate Professorship in Public Health, School of Public Health, effective March 1, 2022.

(9) Establishment of an endowed professorship as the Nancy S. and Michael B. McLelland Professorship in Nursing, School of Nursing, effective March 1, 2022.

(10) Establishment of an endowed department chair as the Ronald D. and Regina C. McNeil Department Chair in Robotics, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022.

(11) Change in name of an existing endowed professorship as the Richard H. Price Professorship in Organizational Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective March 1, 2022 (currently the Barger Family Professorship in Organizational Studies).

(12) Establishment of an endowed professorship as the Sara H. and Robert B. Rothschild Professorship in Global Nursing, School of Nursing, effective March 1, 2022.

(13) Establishment of an endowed professorship as the Richard and Marilyn Witham Professorship in Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

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

(1) Authorization for the president or the provost and executive vice president for academic affairs to approve necessary appointments, effective March 25, 2022 through May 18, 2022.

(2) Klein, Jacob S., James B. and Grace J. Nelson Visiting Professor of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

(3) Savoca, Nancy, John H. Mitchell Visiting Professor in Media Entertainment, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022 through December 31, 2022.
ANN ARBOR CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval

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

(4) Settles, Isis H., transfer of tenure to professor of psychology, with tenure, professor of Afroamerican and African studies, without tenure, and professor of women’s and gender studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022 (currently professor of psychology, with tenure, professor of Afroamerican and African studies, with tenure, and professor of women’s and gender studies, without 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
On the recommendation of the faculty of the School of Information, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Margaret C. Levenstein as professor of information, with tenure, School of Information effective August 29, 2022.

ACADEMIC DEGREES

Margaret Levenstein received a Ph.D. in economics from Yale University in 1991 and an A.B. from Barnard College, Columbia University in 1984.

PROFESSIONAL RECORD

Professor Levenstein is currently the director of the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) and a research professor at the Survey Research Center (SRC) of the Institute for Social Research (ISR) at the University of Michigan. She was also an adjunct professor of business economics and public policy at the Ross School of Business from 2010-2016. Professor Levenstein first joined ISR’s SRC in 2003 as the executive director of the Michigan Census Research Data Center (MCRDC), a joint project with the U.S. Census Bureau. Previously, Professor Levenstein was an associate professor of economics at University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and prior to that, an associate professor of economics and management at Albion College.

SUMMARY OF EVALUATION

Professor Levenstein’s research and teaching interests are focused on economics (industrial organization, competition policy, and business history), and social science data curation (data confidentiality protection and the improvement of economic statistics). In economics, her main contributions concern the detailed study of cartel arrangements, which contributes to antitrust economics, a major subfield of the industrial organization research area.
More recently, and in line with her role as the ICPSR director, Professor Levenstein has pivoted her work to focus on social science data curation. Her recent research examines the production, dissemination, and confidentiality protection of novel, non-designed data (naturally occurring data, such as digital traces) for social and economic measurement. Professor Levenstein has specific accomplishments of note in social science data curation infrastructure: standardizing the archiving and curation of restricted-access data; the Researcher Passport to enable researchers to access data across archives; the expansion or development of specialized data archives (such as the Minority Resource Data Archives; and the COA3D (Collect, Organize, Archive, Access, and Analyze Data) technological and social platform for data sharing which integrates standards, tools for managing data, and technological processes for discovering, analyzing, archiving, and disseminating data. Taken together these initiatives have or will influence data archiving internationally. Of great significance, Professor Levenstein is the project leader of a $38 million award to UM from the National Science Foundation for a project entitled “Research Data Ecosystem: A National Resource for Reproducible, Robust, and Transparent Social Science Research in the 21st Century.” The project will involve creation of a new data platform to help researchers across scientific disciplines to access, collect, store and secure information about human behavior and society. This will necessitate standardization and organization of hundreds of complex data sources, and building of novel software to facilitate researchers’ abilities to access, organize and contribute data.

Professor Levenstein has a demonstrated record of effective classroom teaching in a professional school which emphasizes high quality, engaged teaching. She has over twenty years of experience teaching economics content in the Ross School of Business where she taught in day, evening, and Executive MBA programs. Her earlier experience in the economics departments at Michigan, UMass-Amherst, and Albion included teaching at the undergraduate level. Professor Levenstein also has demonstrated expertise in curriculum development. Currently, she is responsible for shaping and managing a highly successful curriculum for the ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research. Finally, she has extensive experience in student mentoring and supervision, having served on 17 doctoral committees in the past.

Professor Levenstein serves on the boards of 19 other highly visible organizations including the Social Science Research Council, the Consortium of European Social Science Data Archives, and the Data Documentation Initiative (metadata standard for social science research data).

EXCERPTS FROM EXTERNAL LETTERS

Reviewer A: “[Professor Levenstein’s] work is influential within Industrial Organization and is internationally regarded. She is established himself [sic] as a preeminent, research active, Industrial Organization (IO) researcher internationally. She is particularly well known for her well regarded and influential work on cartels. Her work has had a large and internationally significant impact on Antitrust Economics.”

Reviewer B: “Michigan is a real leader in this emergent field and [Professor] Levenstein has played an important role through her leadership of ICPSR and her leadership in these new data initiatives to make Michigan a leader in this field.”
Reviewer C: “As a former iSchool [leader]…I would welcome the opportunity to have [Professor] Levenstein as part of my faculty.”

Reviewer D: “I believe that [Professor] Levenstein will add great value to the School of Information as a thought leader and teacher who will attract excellent colleagues and students who aim to forge human-centric data science theory and practice.”

Reviewer E: “…[appointing] [Professor] Levenstein to your faculty would be very meaningful given her impressive contributions and highly relevant national infrastructure research.”

SUMMARY

Professor Levenstein is an impressive leader, educator and researcher. We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Margaret C. Levenstein as professor of information, with tenure, School of Information, effective August 29, 2022.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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Thomas A. Finholt
Dean, School of Information

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Political Science and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Andrew Murphy as professor of political science, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022.

Academic Degrees:
Andrew Murphy attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he received his Bachelor of Arts in 1989. He earned his Master of Arts in 1991 and his doctorate in 1996 from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Professional Record:
Following fellowships at Villanova University (1997-2000) and the University of Chicago Divinity School (2000-2002), Professor Murphy was appointed an assistant professor in the Honors College of Valparaiso University in 2002. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2006. Professor Murphy joined Rutgers University as an associate professor in 2008 and was promoted to professor, with tenure, in 2016. Since 2019, he has been appointed as a professor, with tenure, at the Virginia Commonwealth University.

Summary of Evaluation:
Teaching: Professor Murphy has been a successful teacher at all levels of the undergraduate curriculum, excelling in both introductory and advanced courses, and in large lectures as well as small seminars. His strong teaching record with uniformly strong evaluations has garnered two awards for his excellent teaching. He has taught several graduate seminars on political thought and mentored many graduate students throughout his career. Professor Murphy’s courses will be very popular in the undergraduate curriculum at Michigan.

Research: Professor Murphy’s research takes up the intersections between politics and religion in both historical and contemporary contexts. His work is best described as “historically informed political theory.” One line of his work focuses on how William Penn’s political discourse in the seventeenth century shaped religious freedom in contemporary U.S. He has written four sole-
authored books and one co-authored book, all published at highly regarded university presses. In addition, Professor Murphy has published six edited books, twelve journal articles, and twenty-nine book chapters.

Recent and Significant Publications:

Service: Professor Murphy has a prolific service record. He has served in multiple leadership positions in national professional organizations on politics and religion. He has also contributed significant internal service, serving on search committees and tenure/promotion committees, among others. Professor Murphy’s leadership in participating in the creation of and serving as co-president of the Association for Political Theory is a clear marker of his field leadership and the kind of citizen we expect him to be at Michigan.

External Reviewers:
Reviewer A: “In both the volume and quality of his publications…he effortlessly exceeds the bar expected of Professorship, both at my institution and others. Moreover, he shows no signs of slowing down… I would congratulate the University of Michigan on bringing such an important and influential scholar to join its already excellent group of political theorists. His presence in your department…will quickly establish Michigan as a top destination for historically informed political theory and attract excellent doctoral students in the fields of religion and politics, too.”

Reviewer B: “Andrew is an academic of international standing and a senior figure in the study of religion and American politics. He is increasingly well-known beyond the United States, and is respected by historians and religious studies scholars, as well as political scientists.”

Reviewer C: “I am thoroughly impressed with the scholarly work of Andrew Murphy. This is hardly my view alone, given his standing in the field…Andrew Murphy, I confidently predict, will most certainly prove to be an excellent colleague…”

Reviewer D: “Andrew R. Murphy is the leading scholarly authority on the career of William Penn.”

Reviewer E: “His work is of the highest quality. He is both prodigiously productive and strikingly diverse and multidisciplinary. He works in equal measure and with equal success in contemporary political science and in the history of ideas.”
Reviewer F: “He has been a prolific scholar. But the most important thing for this appointment, I think, is that he has plenty of ‘work in progress.’ His next book will be on political martyrdom, which is a great topic these days. His peers clearly regard him as an important voice in the field.”

Summary of Recommendations:
Professor Murphy is a distinguished scholar with an impressive academic record and enormous impact on the field. His work is highly regarded by political theorists and he will bring a unique approach to the department, college, and university. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Andrew Murphy as professor of political science, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022.

Recommended by: 
Anne Curzan, Dean
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of English Language and Literature, Linguistics, and Education
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Recommendation endorsed by:
Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
Recommendations for approval of reappointments of regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff
I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Sharon R. Kardia as the Millicent W. Higgins Collegiate Professor of Epidemiology, School of Public Health, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027.

This professorship was established through the Provost Office and was named the Millicent W. Higgins Collegiate Professorship in Epidemiology in the February 2017 and is funded with school resources. 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. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Sharon Kardia received her B.S. degree from Carnegie-Mellon University in 1985. She received her M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Michigan in 1990 and 1991, respectively. From 1994 to 1998, she held the position of assistant research scientist at the University of Michigan Medical School. Professor Kardia joined the School of Public Health faculty as an assistant professor of epidemiology in 1998, was promoted to associate professor in 2003, and to professor in 2008. She served as the chair of the Department of Epidemiology from 2008 through 2012. Professor Kardia was appointed as the senior associate dean for administration in February 2012, and later appointed as the associate dean for education in October 2019.

Professor Kardia’s research interests and reputation are based on her important genetic epidemiology studies to understand the genetic contribution to common diseases, including cardiovascular diseases and risk factors, cancers, and addictive behaviors. She has an outstanding record of obtaining external funding for her research, including significant funding as a principal investigator from NIH.
Professor Kardia is an innovative teacher as well as a conscientious mentor to both masters and doctoral students. Her service activities at the national level have made important contributions to the field, while at the departmental level she has served on the most demanding committees. Since 2004, Professor Kardia has served as the director of the Life Sciences and Society Program, and she co-directed the Michigan Center for Genomics & Public Health from 2003-2011.

Professor Kardia is recognized as one of the most outstanding, innovative, and productive researchers in her field. Her reappointment as the Millicent W. Higgins Collegiate Professor of Epidemiology will be a well-deserved recognition of Professor Kardia’s outstanding service and leadership in the School of Public Health and in her profession.

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Sharon R. Kardia as the Millicent W. Higgins Collegiate Professor of Epidemiology, School of Public Health, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027.

RECOMMENDED BY:  
F. DuBois Bowman, Ph.D.  
Dean, School of Public Health

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  
Susan M. Collins  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Additional Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Anna R. Kirkland

CURRENT TITLES: Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, Professor of Women’s and Gender Studies, with tenure, Professor of Political Science, without tenure, Professor of Sociology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and Professor of Health Management and Policy, without tenure, School of Public Health

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 29, 2022

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Sociology and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and with the endorsement of the Department of Women’s and Gender Studies, Department of Political Science, and the School of Public Health, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Anna R. Kirkland as professor of sociology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022.

Anna R. Kirkland received her Bachelor of Arts from Davidson College in 1995 and her Master of Arts from the University of Virginia in 1997. She attended the University of California, Berkeley where she earned her Juris Doctorate in 2001 and her doctorate in 2003. Professor Kirkland joined our faculty as an assistant professor in 2004 and was promoted through the ranks to associate professor in 2010, and to professor, with tenure, in 2017.

Professor Kirkland is a sociolegal scholar whose research examines the relationships between health, law, and rights in the contemporary U.S. She has continued to place her research in leading journals in the sociology of law and in medical sociology. Her most recent work is about the implementation and politics of Section 1557, the non-discrimination clause of the Affordable Care Act, with a focus on transgender healthcare rights and insurance coverage and access. She is currently writing a book about civil rights in healthcare contexts in the contemporary U.S. Professor Kirkland is the author of Vaccine Court: The Law and Politics of Injury (New York University Press, 2016); Fat Rights: Dilemmas of Difference and Personhood (New York University Press, 2008); co-editor of Against Health: How Health Became the New Morality (New York University Press, 2010); and co-editor of Research Handbook on Sociolegal Studies of Medicine and Health (Edward Elgar Publishing, 2020).

Professor Kirkland teaches courses on gender and the law and health policy at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, as well as a law school seminar entitled “Law and Politics of Identity.” She is a strong mentor and advisor, having been involved in numerous doctoral committees and honors theses in her career. Professor Kirkland has continued to include sociology graduate students in her research, grant proposals, and has published with a few sociology doctoral students in recent years.
The department highly values Professor Kirkland’s involvement and collaboration in her research and teaching through this additional appointment.

Professor Kirkland has an extensive service record at the department, university, and professional levels. She has served as director of graduate studies (2019) and undergraduate studies (2011-2013) for the Department of Women’s and Gender Studies, as well as director (2017-2018) and undergraduate director (2014-2016) of the Science, Technology, and Society Program. She currently serves as director of the Institute for Research on Women and Gender (IRWG), co-chair of the LSA Preventing Sexual Harassment Working Group, chair of the lecturer review committee, and recently served on the Working Group on Readying Populations for the COVID-19 Vaccine. She frequently attends annual meetings of the American Sociological Association and other interdisciplinary conferences that have a focus on sociology. Professor Kirkland is a member of Michigan’s Institute for Healthcare Policy and Innovation and served as a committee member for the National Academies of Science, Medicine, and Engineering panel. She has also been called upon as an expert witness in two recent court cases.

We are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Anna R. Kirkland as professor of sociology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022.

Recommended by:

Anne Curzan, Dean
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of English Language and Literature, Linguistics, and Education
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Recommendation endorsed by:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

F. DuBois Bowman, PhD
Dean, School of Public Health

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Daniel J. Klionsky

CURRENT TITLES: Alexander G. Ruthven Professor of Life Sciences, Life Sciences Institute, and Professor of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Alexander G. Ruthven Professor of Life Sciences, Life Sciences Institute

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027

On the recommendation of Roger D. Cone, Ph.D., Asa Gray Collegiate Professor and Mary Sue Coleman Director of the Life Sciences Institute, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Daniel J. Klionsky as the Alexander G. Ruthven Professor of Life Sciences, Life Sciences Institute, for a five-year renewable term, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027.

Alexander G. Ruthven, president emeritus, served as the president of the University of Michigan from 1929 to 1951. The Alexander G. Ruthven Professorship in Life Sciences was established by the Regents in June 2007 with funding for this professorship provided by gift funds designated by President Mary Sue Coleman. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Daniel Klionsky earned his Bachelor of Arts at the University of California, Los Angeles, in 1980 and his Doctorate at Stanford University in 1986. After four years of post-doctoral training at the California Institute of Technology, Professor Klionsky began his teaching career as an assistant professor at the University of California, Davis in 1990. He was promoted to associate professor in microbiology in 1994 and to professor in 1997. Professor Klionsky was a fellow of the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation in 1997-1998. In 2000, he joined the University of Michigan as a professor in the Department of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology and was appointed as a professor of biological chemistry in the Medical School from 2001 to 2014.

Professor Klionsky has a distinguished record of publication and scientific discovery. He is the author of over 180 scholarly articles and essays published in the most prestigious biomedical journals. He has presented at over 165 invited lectures and seminars over the past thirty years at
major conferences in the United States, Japan, Germany, the Netherlands, Australia and France. He holds two biomedical patents.

Professor Klionsky is an extremely creative cell biologist who studies how proteins are moved around cells and how the organelles, machines within the cells, develop and do their work. Sorting the proteins out so that they go to the proper organelle and do the right job is essential to the proper functioning of the cell, but little is understood about it. His work also explores “autophagy,” the main protein disassembly and recycling system inside the cell, and how it responds to starvation conditions by cannibalizing parts of the cell. In 2004, Professor Klionsky edited the first textbook on autophagy, and that same year began the groundwork for launching the journal *Autophagy*, where he is the founding and current editor-in-chief. He is also the co-editor-in-chief of the journal *Autophagy Reports* (launched in 2022).

Over the last five years, Professor Klionsky published 35 research papers, 57 review articles and 40 editor’s corners (for the journal *Autophagy*). His research continues with structure-function analyses to uncover the molecular mechanism of autophagy, a process of cellular self-digestion that is associated with numerous diseases in humans. This work has included papers in *PNAS USA, Journal of Molecular Biology, Autophagy* and *Nature Communications*. In addition, his research has extended its focus on autophagy regulation. This work has included papers in *Molecular Cell, Autophagy, PNAS USA, PLoS Biology* and *Cell Research*. The last major area of focus concerns the analysis of human disease-related mutations in yeast. Professor Klionsky has been collaborating with several Medical School labs that are working on cancer and neurodegeneration. These researchers are identifying patient’s mutations in genes that affect autophagy and are asking for help in determining whether these mutations are the cause of the disease. Examining the corresponding mutation is much quicker using yeast because there is a range of assays that are not available in mammalian cells. This work has resulted in papers in journals such as *PNAS USA, Developmental Cell, Journal of Clinical Investigation, Autophagy, Nature Microbiology, Nature Cancer* and *Journal of Neurochemistry*. In addition, Professor Klionsky has received the following honors: Doctor Honoris Causa degree, University of Buenos Aires (2017), Election to the American Academy of Arts & Sciences (2019), Doctor Honoris Causa degree, University of Bordeaux (2019) and Clarivate Highly Cited Researcher (2021).

Professor Klionsky has received national recognition for his innovative teaching style of undergraduate biology called “active learning.” This unique method of teaching, where textbooks are optional, focuses on distributing his lecture notes to the class, lecturing on the topic and then quizzing the class the following day. In 2003, Professor Klionsky was named a Distinguished Teaching Scholar by the National Science Foundation. In 2006, he was named an education mentor in the Life Sciences by the National Academies and he also received a $1.5 million grant from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute to promote innovative teaching of introductory science at research universities. In 2009, he was named as an AAAS fellow. Most recently, Professor Klionsky has been selected as a recipient of the 2017 Distinguished Faculty Achievement Award, which honors senior faculty who have consistently demonstrated outstanding achievements in scholarly research and/or creative endeavors, have a record of sustained excellence in teaching and mentoring of students and junior colleagues, and, through service and other professional activities, have brought distinction to themselves and to the University of Michigan. To date, Professor Klionsky has published 23 pedagogical papers. In
2019, he received the following honor: University Housing Honored Instructor, University of Michigan.

We are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Daniel J. Klionsky as the Alexander G. Ruthven Professor of Life Sciences, Life Sciences Institute, for a five-year renewable term, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027.

Recommended by: Roger D. Cone, Mary Sue Coleman Director Life Sciences Institute Asa Gray Collegiate Professor in the Life Sciences, Vice Provost and Director of the Biosciences Initiative

Recommendation endorsed by: Susan M. Collins Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Anne Curzan, Dean Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of English Language and Literature, Linguistics and Education Arthur F. Thurnau Professor College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Priscilla Lindsay

CURRENT TITLES: Claribel Baird Halstead Collegiate Professor, and Professor of Theatre and Drama, with tenure, School of Music, Theatre & Dance

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Claribel Baird Halstead Collegiate Professor, School of Music, Theatre & Dance

TERM: Three Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2025

With the approval of the School of Music, Theatre & Dance Executive Committee, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Priscilla Lindsay as the Claribel Baird Halstead Collegiate Professor, School of Music, Theatre & Dance, effective September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2025.

The Claribel Baird Halstead Collegiate Professorship was established in September 1994 to honor Claribel Baird Halstead, an extraordinary member of the faculty in the Department of Theatre and Drama from 1948, until her retirement as professor emerita in 1974.

Priscilla Lindsay attended the University of Michigan where she received her B.A. in speech in 1971 and, a year later, her M.A. in theatre as a professional theatre program fellow. Following her formal training, she performed professionally at highly regarded venues such as the Alley Theatre in Houston, Tiffany’s Attic Dinner Theatre in Kansas City, and the Indiana Repertory Theatre. In 2010, Professor Lindsay joined the faculty at the University of Michigan when she was appointed as an associate professor, with tenure, and chair of the Department of Theatre and Drama. She was promoted to professor in 2015 and served as chair until 2020.

A highly accomplished actress, Professor Lindsay has performed many of the great female roles in plays ranging from the classics to contemporary theatre. Over the span of her career, she has appeared in more than 60 plays at the Indiana Repertory Theatre, The Alley Theatre in Houston, Missouri Repertory Theatre, Syracuse Stage, and a host of other nationally recognized companies. She has also directed numerous productions, including ones at the Indiana Repertory Theatre, the Pine Mountain Music Festival, and the Repertory Theatre of St. Louis. In addition to her stage acting, Professor Lindsay has had noteworthy success as a commercial voice-over artist. She has worked in this capacity for such leading corporations as Maytag, Gerber, Kraft, Kroger, the American Dairy Association, Meijer Stores, Sub-Zero, Merck Animal Health, Proctor & Gamble, among others.
Professor Lindsay’s, wealth of professional training, vast knowledge base and associations with several theatrical disciplines enable her to impart a thorough and informed sense of perspective to her students. She is a demanding and challenging teacher who is also able to be warm and empathetic in her relations with her students. She has high expectations for her students and challenges them to think beyond their initial thoughts and reactions. Professor Lindsay is enthusiastic and passionate about her students’ education; she is a sought-after advisor and mentor during and beyond our students' time at Michigan.

During Professor Lindsay’s training as a student at Michigan, she was fortunate to train with Professor Halstead. Therefore, it is especially fitting that Professor Lindsay be awarded this professorship in honor of her beloved professor, mentor and friend, Professor Claribel Baird Halstead.

We are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Priscilla Lindsay as the Claribel Baird Halstead Collegiate Professor, School of Music, Theatre & Dance, effective September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2025.

Recommended by: 

David Gier
Paul Boylan Collegiate Professor of Music and Dean, School of Music, Theatre & Dance

Recommendation endorsed by:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
The Executive Committee of the School of Dentistry is pleased to recommend the reappointment of Laurie K. McCauley as the William K. and Mary Anne Najjar Professor of Periodontics, School of Dentistry, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027.

The William K. and Mary Anne Najjar Professorship in Periodontics was established in February 2002. Dr. William K. Najjar practiced dentistry in Grand Rapids, Michigan after his 1955 graduation from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry with a DDS degree. Shortly after that time, Dr. Najjar founded the Janar Corporation which dealt in dental materials. As a result of the success and subsequent sale of the Janar Corporation to Johnson & Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. Najjar made a pledge to the School of Dentistry to establish this endowed professorship. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Laurie McCauley received her DDS in 1985, her MS in 1988, and her PhD in 1991 from The Ohio State University. She obtained diplomate status from the American Academy of Periodontology in 1992. She joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor in 1992, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 1996, and to professor in 2001. As a result of her teaching and collaborative research projects in the Department of Pathology, she was appointed as an associate professor of pathology, without tenure, in 2002, and was promoted to professor of pathology, without tenure, in 2009, in the Medical School. In 2013, Professor McCauley became the dean of the School of Dentistry.

Professor McCauley leads an active research program in hormonal controls and cellular mechanisms of bone remodeling, parathyroid hormone anabolic actions in bone and prostate cancer skeletal metastasis. She has over 160 peer reviewed publications, eight book chapters and
has been continually funded by the National Institutes for three decades. She has achieved many prestigious honors including membership in the National Academy of Medicine, the Edward B. Shils Award for Outstanding Leadership as a Health Educator, the Stephen M. Krane Award from the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research (ASBMR) for recognition of outstanding achievements in basic, translational, or clinical research in inflammation and/or skeletal matrix biology, the Paul Goldhaber Award from Harvard School of Dental Medicine, the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research Fellowship award, and the Norton M. Ross Award for Excellence in Clinical Research from the American Dental Association.

Professor McCauley has been a generous contributor to the School of Dentistry through her support of scholarships, lectureships and new school resources. We are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Laurie K. McCauley, as the William K. and Mary Anne Najjar Professor of Dentistry, School of Dentistry, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027.

Respectfully submitted:

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Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Ravi Pendse as vice president for information technology and chief information officer, Office of the President, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

As vice president for information technology and chief information officer (VPIT-CIO), Mr. Pendse will continue to provide university-wide leadership and strategic direction for information technology.

Since the time of his initial appointment as VPIT-CIO in 2018, Mr. Pendse has created a customer-focused, collaborative and inclusive team across the entire IT enterprise. With the support of his leadership, the IT organization played a pivotal role in the university’s navigation of the COVID-19 pandemic through quick deployment of tools for on-line learning and meetings, the development of applications such as ResponsiBLUE to support health screenings and providing timely support to meet the demands of tens of thousands of faculty, staff and students who were working and learning remotely. He launched an initiative for enhancing the use of data in university decision making (Michigan INsights on Demand or MIND) that is improving the effectiveness of data-informed decision making across campus. He has also led transformational efforts in extending Wi-Fi on campus, enhancing IT security and improving research computing. Mr. Pendse has also made great strides in improving the focus on diversity, equity and inclusion throughout the IT organization including vendor relationships.

Prior to joining the University of Michigan, Mr. Pendse served as the vice president for computing and information services and chief information officer at Brown University. In this position, Mr. Pendse was a member of president’s cabinet and oversaw the technology infrastructure throughout Brown’s campus. Prior to joining Brown University, Mr. Pendse was at Wichita State University, rising through the ranks from a teaching fellow to a tenured professor and vice president for information technology and chief information officer (1992-2013). Mr. Pendse began his academic career as an assistant professor in the College of Engineering and Technology at Northern Arizona University (1989-1992).
Mr. Pendse holds a B.S in electronics and communication engineering from Osmania University in Hyderabad, India. He received his M.S. and Ph.D. in electrical engineering from Wichita State University.

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Ravi Pendse as vice president for information technology and chief information officer, Office of the President, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Sue Coleman
Mary Sue Coleman
President

March 2022
I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Marc A. Zimmerman as the Marshall H. Becker Collegiate Professor of Public Health, School of Public Health, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027.

This professorship was established through the Provost Office and was named the Marshall H. Becker Collegiate Professorship in Public Health in February 1995 and is funded with school resources. Marshall H. Becker, an internationally renowned medical sociologist, was a professor of health behavior and health education from 1977 to 1993. He inspired generations of students to pursue the important study of health behavior. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Marc Zimmerman received a Bachelor of Science from the University of Massachusetts in 1976, a Master of Science from the University of Oregon in 1980, and a Ph.D. in 1986 from the University of Illinois. From 1986 to 1988, he held the position of assistant professor in the School of Public Affairs at the American University in Washington D.C. Following a Congressional Fellowship from the American Association for the Advancement of Science (1988-1989), Professor Zimmerman joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as assistant professor of health behavior and health education in 1989, and rose through the ranks to professor in 2001. He was appointed as an associate professor in the Department of Psychology in 1999 and was promoted to professor in 2002. Professor Zimmerman served as the chair of the Department of Health Behavior and Health Education from 2005 to 2013.

Professor Zimmerman is an outstanding faculty member, leader, and colleague who demonstrates excellence in teaching, research, and service. His courses consistently receive excellent evaluations, and he is a conscientious mentor to both masters and doctoral students.
Professor Zimmerman’s research focuses on health and resiliency of adolescents, on empowerment theory and most recently he has expanded to be one of the only researchers studying firearm injury prevention. His work on adolescent health examines how positive factors in adolescents’ lives help them overcome risks they face. His research includes analysis of adolescent resiliency for risks associated with alcohol and drug use, violent behavior, precocious sexual behavior, and school failure. He is also studying developmental transitions and longitudinal models of change. Professor Zimmerman’s work on empowerment theory includes measurement and analysis of psychological and community empowerment. The research includes both longitudinal interview studies and community intervention research. Professor Zimmerman is the director of the Prevention Research Center of Michigan and the CDC-funded Youth Violence Prevention Center. He is the editor of *Youth and Society*, a member of the editorial board for *Health Education Research*, and editor emeritus of *Health Education and Behavior*.

Professor Zimmerman has a well-established national and international reputation in the field of health behavior and health education and in his parent discipline of community psychology. His reappointment as the Marshall H. Becker Collegiate Professor of Public Health will be a well-deserved recognition of his valuable contributions.

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Marc A. Zimmerman as the Marshall H. Becker Collegiate Professor of Public Health, School of Public Health, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027.

**RECOMMENDED BY:**

F. DuBois Bowman, Ph.D.
Dean, School of Public Health

**RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:**

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Anne Curzan, Dean
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of English Language and Literature, Linguistics, and Education
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

March 2022
Recommendations for approval of joint or additional appointments
or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected
academic and administrative staff
ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Robin A. Beck

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Anthropology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Acting Director, Museum of Anthropological Archaeology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts are pleased to recommend the appointment of Robin A. Beck as acting director, Museum of Anthropological Archaeology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Robin Beck received his B.A. from the University of North Carolina in 1991, his M.A. from the University of Alabama in 1997, and his Ph.D. from Northwestern University in 2004. Professor Beck began his instructional career as a visiting assistant professor of anthropology at Northwestern University in 2005. In 2006, he was hired as an assistant professor of anthropology at the University of Oklahoma. He joined the Michigan faculty in 2010 as an assistant professor of anthropology and assistant curator in the Museum of Anthropological Archaeology and was promoted to associate professor and associate curator in 2014, and to professor in 2020. He was appointed as the associate director of the Museum of Anthropological Archaeology in 2017, and served as the acting director of the museum in winter 2020.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Robin A. Beck as acting director, Museum of Anthropological Archaeology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Anne Curzan, Dean
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of English Language and Literature, Linguistics, and Education
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Tiffany J. Braley, M.D., M.S.

CURRENT TITLE: Clinical Associate Professor, Department of Neurology, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Holtom-Garrett Family Professor of Neurology, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027

On the recommendation of Dawn Kleindorfer, M.D., the Robert W. Brear Professor and chair of the Department of Neurology and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Tiffany J. Braley, M.D., M.S. as the Holtom-Garrett Family Professor of Neurology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

The Holtom-Garrett Family Professorship in Neurology was established in November 2006 through a generous gift agreement from Mr. Richard T. Garrett. It is intended to advance the understanding of multiple sclerosis, to improve the care of those who suffer from it, and to hasten the day when it is possible to prevent or cure this dreaded disease. The appointee will be a faculty member who is designated to serve as a leader of multiple sclerosis research, education and clinical care initiatives at the University of Michigan Medical School. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Tiffany J. Braley received her M.D. degree from Wayne State University in 2004. She completed an internship in internal medicine at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital and a residency in neurology and fellowship in multiple sclerosis at the University of Michigan. In 2011, she received a masters’ degree in clinical research design and statistical analysis from the School of Public Health. Dr. Braley joined the faculty in 2008 as a clinical lecturer in neurology and rose to the rank of clinical associate professor in 2018.

Dr. Braley has developed a prolific, collaborative research program focused on the evaluation and management of some of the most disabling symptoms of multiple sclerosis (MS) and related neurological disorders, with an emphasis on the intersection between sleep disorders, fatigue, cognitive dysfunction, and pain. Her research has been supported by funding from the NIH, the Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, and the American Academy of Sleep Medicine Foundation. In collaboration with the sleep division, she founded the Michigan Medicine Multidisciplinary Multiple Sclerosis Fatigue and Sleep Clinic. This first of its kind clinic provides a unique service to our patients and an educational experience
for our trainees, while facilitating Dr. Braley’s innovative research. Her partnerships with the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation faculty have directly impacted the Division of Multiple Sclerosis’ clinical and research efforts, by facilitating the development of real-world patient-centered approaches to MS care.

Dr. Braley is the director of the multiple sclerosis and clinical neuroimmunology fellowship program at the Medical School and prioritizes the training of fellows to deliver high quality, comprehensive clinical care to all patients with MS and related disorders. She mentors clinical research trainees across a wide range of backgrounds, within and outside our institution, and considers the training of the next generation of researchers in multiple sclerosis and the neurological sciences to be of the utmost importance. She was appointed as the division director for the Neuro-Immunology (Multiple Sclerosis) Division of the Department of Neurology in 2022.

Dr. Braley is an outstanding clinician-educator who focuses on multiple sclerosis research and treatment. She is an ideal candidate for this prestigious professorship. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Tiffany Braley, M.D., M.S. as the Holtom-Garrett Family Professor of Neurology, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

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

Recommendation endorsed by: Susan M. Collins Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Xiuli Chao as the Ralph L. Disney Collegiate Professor of Industrial and Operations Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027.

The Ralph L. Disney Collegiate Professorship in Industrial and Operations Engineering was established in February 2022 to honor Ralph L. Disney, a former faculty member at the University of Michigan. The professorship is funded by the College of Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Xiuli Chao received his B.S. in mathematics in 1983 from Shandong University. He received his M.S. and Ph.D. in industrial engineering and operations research from Columbia University in 1986 and 1989, respectively. Following graduation, Professor Chao was appointed as an assistant professor at the New Jersey Institute of Technology. He was promoted to associate professor in 1994, and to professor in 1999. He joined the North Carolina State University as a professor in 2000. In 2007, Professor Chao joined the University of Michigan faculty as a professor in the Department of Industrial and Operations Engineering. He is currently on leave working in Amazon’s Supply Chain Optimization Technology (SCOT). Professor Chao has also held visiting positions at the University of California at Irvine, Columbia University, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, and National University of Singapore.

Professor Chao’s research interests include queueing, scheduling, financial engineering, inventory control, supply chain management, and stochastic and online optimization. Professor Chao is the co-developer of Lekin Scheduling System. He is the co-author of two books, Operations Scheduling with Applications in Manufacturing and Services (Irwin/McGraw-Hill, 1998), and Queueing Networks: Customers, Signals, and Product Form Solutions (John Wiley & Sons, 1999). Professor Chao received the 1998 Erlang Prize from the Applied Probability Society of Institute for Operations Research and Management Sciences (INFORMS), and the 2005 David Baker Distinguished Research Award from the Institute of Industrial and Systems
Engineers (IISE). He also received the 2014 Jon and Beverly Holt Award for Excellence in Teaching from College of Engineering. Professor Chao has consulted for many companies in logistics, and supply chains management. He is a fellow of both IISE and INFORMS.

Professor Chao’s academic achievements fully merit his appointment to this professorship. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Xiuli Chao as the Ralph L. Disney Collegiate Professor of Industrial and Operations Engineering, College of Engineering, March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027.

RECOMMENDED BY:  

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Pingsha Dong

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, with tenure, Professor of Mechanical Engineering, without tenure, and Professor of Integrative Systems and Design, without tenure, College of Engineering

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Robert F. Beck Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Pingsha Dong as the Robert F. Beck Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027.

The Robert F. Beck Collegiate Professorship in Engineering was established in February 2022 to honor Robert F. Beck, a former faculty member at the University of Michigan. The professorship is funded by the College of Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Pingsha Dong received his B.S.E. (1978) and M.S. E. (1980) in welding engineering from the Harbin Institute of Technology, China. He received his M.S. (1984) and Ph.D. (1988) in mechanical engineering from the University of Michigan. He remained here to complete a post-doctoral research fellowship between 1989 and 1990. Between 1990 and 2008, Professor Dong held several positions with the Edison Welding Institute (1990-1994) and Battelle Memorial Institute (1994-2008). During this time, he also held appointments as an adjunct assistant professor and adjunct associate professor with The Ohio State University. In 2008, he was appointed as a professor and the Northrop Grumman Endowed Chair in Shipbuilding at the University of New Orleans, LA. In 2013, Professor Dong joined the University of Michigan faculty as a professor. In addition to his faculty appointments here, he is the program director for the Global Automotive and Manufacturing Engineering in the Integrative Systems and Design Program.

Professor Dong’s research and teaching interests include integrated multi-scale modeling and reduced-order analysis methods for the design and manufacture of advanced lightweight and high-performance structures. A particular emphasis is placed on novel computational methods for modeling advanced material joining and metal additive manufacturing processes and their impacts on final structural performance, e.g., fatigue and fracture control strategies. His ongoing
funded research activities include: (1) high-speed method for directly joining plastics directly to metals for manufacture of multi-materials lightweight structures; (2) solid-state rapid deposition technique for additive manufacture of bimetal components without introducing detrimental intermetallic compounds; (3) fracture mechanics modeling of randomly distributed defects in additively-manufactured metal components; and (4) smart modular design for manufacturing and assembly methods for advanced lightweight marine structures.

Professor Dong’s research activities have led to the development of a number of new graduate level courses over the recent years. These include: (1) Fatigue of Structures (NA514/ME599/ISD599) focusing on advanced structural durability modeling methods and engineering applications; (2) Residual Stresses and Distortions in Modern Manufacturing (NA515/ME583/ISD599) focusing on integrated and reduced-order modeling techniques for advanced manufacturing processes, e.g., fusion- and solid-state-based additive manufacturing; and (3) Defect Assessment for Marine Structures (NA513) focusing on advanced fracture mechanics methods for developing quantitative quality definitions for new builds and ensuring safe operation of in-service structures.

Some of Professor Dong’s research outcomes have been adopted by the ASME Division 2 and API 579/ASME FFS-1 Codes and Standards mandated by over 50 countries worldwide. Professor Dong has published over 260 peer-reviewed papers in archive journals and major conference proceedings, including over 25 plenary/keynote lectures at major international conferences. He has received numerous prestigious national and international honors and awards, including the AWS Comfort A. Adams Lecture Award (2019), the SNAME Helmer L. Hann Awards (2012 and 2007), the IIW Evgeny Paton Prize (2008), R&D Magazine’s R&D 100 Award (2006), TIME Magazine’s Math Innovator (2005), Aviation Week and Space Technology’s Aerospace Laurels Award (2004), the SAE Henry Ford II Distinguished Award for Excellence in Automotive Engineering (2003), the AWS R.D. Thomas Memorial Award, and the ASME G.E.O Widera Literature Award (2002), among others. In addition, Professor Dong is also a fellow of the ASME, AWS, and IIW.

Professor Dong’s academic achievements fully merit his appointment to this professorship. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Pingsha Dong as the Robert F. Beck Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027.

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  
Susan M. Collins  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
The University of Michigan
Regents Communication

Action Request: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

Name: Eric R. Fearon, M.D, Ph.D.

Current Titles: Emanuel N. Maisel Professor in Oncology, Director, University of Michigan Rogel Cancer Center, Professor of Internal Medicine, with tenure, Professor of Pathology, without tenure, and Professor of Human Genetics, without tenure, Medical School.

Additional Title: Associate Dean for Cancer Programs, Medical School

Effective Date: March 1, 2022

With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Eric R. Fearon, M.D, Ph.D. as associate dean for cancer programs, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

Eric R. Fearon received his M.D. and Ph.D. in biology from Johns Hopkins University in 1990. He completed two years of post-doctoral fellowship training in the Division of Hematology, Department of Medicine, at Johns Hopkins before being appointed faculty at Yale as an assistant professor in 1992. In 1995, he moved to Ann Arbor and joined the University of Michigan. He was appointed as an associate professor, with tenure, in the Department of Internal Medicine and associate professor, without tenure, in the Departments of Human Genetics and Pathology. He was also appointed as the Emanuel N. Maisel Professor of Oncology. In 2001, Dr. Fearon was promoted to professor.

Dr. Fearon has been a successfully funded researcher in the field of molecular analysis of human cancer pathogenesis. His research program seeks to address the means by which specific oncogene and tumor suppressor gene defects contribute to the pathogenesis of colon and other cancers and to develop novel strategies for early detection and treatment of colorectal adenomas and carcinomas.

Dr. Fearon has a substantial record of service contributions to the institution. Since 1995, he has served as the associate director for basic research for the comprehensive cancer center. In 2010, he was appointed as the division chief of molecular medicine and genetics for the Department of Internal Medicine, and since 2016, Dr. Fearon has served as the director of the University of Michigan Rogel Cancer Center. In this new role, Dr. Fearon will play a strategic role in working with Michigan Medicine senior institutional leaders and department leadership in faculty recruitment and retention. He will lead strategic initiatives to strengthen and grow collaborative cancer research, education, and community outreach activities across a broad and diverse collection of schools and colleges, departments and centers and institutes.
We are, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Eric R. Fearon, M.D, Ph.D. as associate dean for cancer programs, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

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

Recommendation endorsed by: Susan M. Collins
Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Michael Flynn

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, with tenure, College of Engineering

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Fawwaz T. Ulaby Collegiate Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Michael Flynn as the Fawwaz T. Ulaby Collegiate Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027.

The Fawwaz T. Ulaby Collegiate Professorship in Electrical and Computer Engineering was established in February 2022 to honor Fawwaz T. Ulaby, a former faculty member at the University of Michigan. The professorship is funded by the College of Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Michael Flynn received his Ph.D. degree from Carnegie Mellon University in 1995. From 1995 to 1997, he was a member of Technical Staff with Texas Instruments, Dallas, TX. During the four-year period from 1997 to 2001, he was with Parthus Technologies, Cork, Ireland. Professor Flynn joined the University of Michigan faculty in 2001 as an assistant professor. He was promoted to associate professor in 2006 and to professor in 2012. His technical interests are in data conversion, RF circuits, analog computing, and biomedical systems.

Professor Flynn is a 2008 Guggenheim Fellow. He is the recipient of the 2016 University of Michigan Faculty Achievement Award and the 2020 Rackham Distinguished Graduate Mentoring Award. He has also received the 2011 Education Excellence Award and the 2010 College of Engineering Ted Kennedy Family Team Excellence Award from the College of Engineering at the University of Michigan. He received the 2005-2006 Outstanding Achievement Award from the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at the University of Michigan. In addition, he received the NSF Early Career Award in 2004. Professor Flynn served as the editor-in-chief of the IEEE Journal of Solid-State Circuits from 2013 to 2016. He is a former distinguished lecturer of the IEEE Solid-State Circuits Society. He served as an associate editor of the IEEE Journal of Solid-State Circuits (JSSC) and of the IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems. Professor Flynn is the chair of the Data Conversion

Professor Flynn’s academic achievements fully merit his appointment to this professorship. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Michael Flynn as the Fawwaz T. Ulaby Collegiate Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering, College of Engineering, March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027.

RECOMMENDED BY:  

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  

Susan M. Collins  
Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

March 2022
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Academic Administrative Appointment

NAME: Michael Galaty

CURRENT TITLES: Director, Museum of Anthropological Archaeology, Professor of Anthropology, with tenure, and Professor of Classical Studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Director, Museum of Anthropological Archaeology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Michael Galaty as director, Museum of Anthropological Archaeology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

Michael Galaty received his Bachelor of Arts from Grinnell College in 1991. He attended the University of Wisconsin where he completed his Master of Arts in 1994 and doctorate in 1998. He joined the faculty of Millsaps College in 1999 as an assistant professor of anthropology, was promoted to associate professor in 2004, and to professor in 2009. He moved to Mississippi State University in 2013 as professor of anthropology and head of the Department of Anthropology (2013-2017). From 2015-2017, he served as the director of the Cobb Institute of Archaeology at Mississippi State University. Professor Galaty came to Michigan in 2017 as professor of anthropology and director of the Museum of Anthropological Archaeology.

We are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Michael Galaty as director, Museum of Anthropological Archaeology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Anne Curzan, Dean
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of English Language and Literature, Linguistics, and Education
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
On the recommendation of Justin B. Dimick, M.D., the Frederick A. Coller Distinguished Professor and chair of the Department of Surgery and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Paul G. Gauger, M.D. as the Norman Thompson, M.D. Professor of Surgery, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

The Norman Thompson, M.D. Professorship in Surgery was established in November 2001 through departmental resources and a generous gift from Elizabeth Upjohn Mason, in appreciation of the very special care and friendship Dr. Thompson gave to her and her late husband, Burton Upjohn. This professorship will recognize Dr. Thompson’s 40 years of extraordinary dedication to the highest quality of patient care, the education and training of medical students and residents, and his many contributions to endocrine surgery research. This professorship is intended to recognize an outstanding tenured faculty member within the Section of General Surgery for superior achievement in the field of endocrine surgery. The recipient will also serve as the chief of endocrine surgery. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Paul G. Gauger received his M.D. degree in 1991 from the University of Missouri. He completed a residency in surgery, a fellowship in surgical critical care, a fellowship in extracorporeal life support and in liquid ventilation at the University of Michigan. Dr. Gauger also completed a fellowship in endocrine surgery at the Royal North Shore Hospital in Australia. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 1999 as an assistant professor of surgery. He was additionally appointed in the Department of Medical Education in 2003. He rose through the ranks to professor in 2010. Dr. Gauger was appointed as the William J. Fry Professor of Surgery in 2009.

Dr. Gauger has served as the division chief for endocrine surgery since 2012. He co-founded and directed the Norman W. Thompson Fellowship in Endocrine Surgery and has made contributions to understanding issues such as intraoperative parathyroid hormone monitoring during
parathyroidectomy, treatment of thyroid cancer, adrenal imaging and surgery, and management of Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia Type I pancreaticoduodenal disease.

Dr. Gauger served as the associate program director for the general surgery residency from 2001-2011, and as the program director from 2011-2021. He has concentrated on improving graduate medical education in surgery during a very dynamic time in its evolution. He was the founding executive director of the University of Michigan Clinical Simulation Center - a multidisciplinary educational resource devoted to the development and assessment of procedural skills and other high-level patient care skills and team-based skills necessary for clinical competency. Much of his academic work has concentrated on the development of new curricula and assessment methods, particularly in the area of surgical skills. Dr. Gauger is the ambulatory care clinical chief of the University of Michigan Medical Group, and has received numerous awards, including the William W. Coon Award for Excellence in Resident Teaching. He is an associate editor of the *World Journal of Endocrine Surgery*. He has published 129 per-reviewed articles and has been invited to present his research at numerous international venues, including England, New Zealand and Italy.

Dr. Gauger is an excellent clinician who specializes in the treatment of benign and malignant diseases of the thyroid, parathyroid, and adrenal glands. He is an outstanding educator with a focus on graduate medical education. He is an appropriate candidate for this prestigious professorship. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Paul G. Gauger, M.D. as the Norman Thompson, M.D. Professor of Surgery, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

Recommended by:  

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

Recommendation endorsed by:  

Susan M. Collins  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Kelly L. Harms, M.D., Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLE: Clinical Associate Professor, Department of Dermatology, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Lewis and Lillian Becker Professor of Dermatology, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: April 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027

On the recommendation of Christopher K. Bichakjian, M.D., professor and chair of the Department of Dermatology and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Kelly L. Harms, M.D., Ph.D. as the Lewis and Lillian Becker Professor of Dermatology, Medical School, effective April 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

The Lewis and Lillian Becker Professorship in Dermatology was established in April 2005 through a generous gift and pledge from Lewis and Lillian Becker. It is intended to facilitate programs to advance and accelerate medical research related to skin cancer epidemiology, therapy, education, and biology. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Kelly L. Harms received her Ph.D. degree in cell biology in 2007, and her M.D. degree in 2008 from the University of Alabama. She completed a transitional internship in internal medicine, a dermatology residency, post-doctoral training in skin cancer and a Mohs micrographic surgery fellowship all at the University of Michigan. She joined the faculty in 2014 as a clinical lecturer and rose through the ranks to a clinical associate professor in 2021. Dr. Harms is the chief of the Division of Cutaneous Surgery and Oncology, the medical director of the Cancer Center Mohs Ambulatory Care Unit, and the assistant program director of the Micrographic Surgery and Dermatology Oncology Fellowship.

Dr. Harms’ clinical focus is on cutaneous oncology at the Rogel Cancer Center. She is regarded as an outstanding Mohs surgeon, and is renowned for her expertise in the management of Merkel cell carcinoma (MCC), a rare and highly aggressive form of skin cancer. Her research investigating molecular changes, prognostic factors and clinical outcomes in MCC has helped establish a revised disease staging system that better reflects our knowledge of the clinical behavior of MCC. This staging system for Merkel cell carcinoma has supported improved treatment outcomes for patients with this life-threatening form of skin cancer, since its adoption by the American Joint Commission on Cancer in 2016.
Dr. Harms has published 27 peer-reviewed articles and is a clinical research panelist for the First International Workshop for MCC Research at the National Cancer Institute. Through her current service as a member of the Non-melanoma Skin Cancer Panel of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network, she is engaged in ongoing efforts to improve treatment outcomes for patients living with skin cancer. She is active in curricular planning and has co-designed and coordinated a comprehensive dermatologic surgery lecture and workshop series for the dermatology residency to supply training in fundamental cutaneous surgery skills. As a member of the Michigan Dermatological Society Continuing Medical Education Committee, Dr. Harms organizes educational activities for physicians at Michigan Medicine and throughout the state of Michigan.

Dr. Harms is an outstanding clinician-educator with substantial leadership commitments whose expertise in skin cancer, and cutaneous oncology aligns perfectly with this professorship. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Kelly. L. Harms, M.D., Ph.D. as the Lewis and Lillian Becker Professor of Dermatology, Medical School, effective April 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

Recommended by: Recommended endorsement by:

Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D. Susan M. Collins
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs Provost and Executive Vice Dean, Medical School President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
The University of Michigan
Regents Communication

Action Request: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

Name: Pauline Jones Luong

Current Title: Professor of Political Science, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Additional Title: Edie N. Goldenberg Endowed Director of the Michigan in Washington Program, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Effective Dates: August 29, 2022 through August 31, 2027

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Political Science and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Pauline Jones Luong as the Edie N. Goldenberg Endowed Director of the Michigan in Washington Program, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

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 the appointment will coincide with the term of the directorship.

Pauline Jones Luong received her Bachelor of Arts from the University of California at Berkeley in 1990. She attended Harvard University where she received her Master of Science in 1992 and her doctorate in 1998. Professor Jones began her instructional career as an assistant professor at Yale University in 1998. She was appointed as an associate professor, with tenure, at Brown University in 2004 and joined the Michigan faculty as a professor, with tenure, in 2012.

Professor Jones Luong is the most prominent and accomplished political scientist working on Central Asia in the discipline and ranks with the top scholars in comparative politics more generally. She is currently engaged in two major research projects. One explores the influence of religion on political attitudes and behavior in Muslim majority states with an emphasis on the relationship between religious regulation, religiosity, and political mobilization. The other focuses on identifying the factors that affect the extent to which people are complying with social distancing policies to combat the COVID-19 pandemic, and the impact that these policies are having on individuals and communities around the world. Professor Jones Luong’s articles have been published in several leading academic and policy journals, including the American Political Science Review, Annual Review of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, Current History, Foreign Affairs, Politics and Society, Europe-Asia Studies, and Resources Policy. She has authored five books: Institutional Change and Political Continuity in Post-Soviet Central Asia: Power, Perceptions, and Pacts (Cambridge 2002); The Transformation of Central Asia: States and Societies from Soviet Rule to Independence (Cornell 2003); Oil is Not a Curse: Ownership Structure and Institutions in the Soviet Successor States (Cambridge 2010); Islam, Society, and Politics in Central Asia (University of
Pittsburgh Press, 2016); and, most recently, The Oxford Handbook on Politics in Muslim Societies (Oxford University Press, forthcoming). Additionally, her research has received generous support from several prestigious sources, including the McArthur Foundation, the Carnegie Corporation of New York, the Mellon Foundation, and the National Science Foundation.

Professor Jones Luong is a committed teacher and mentor, having taught an array of courses in the graduate and undergraduate curriculum. At the graduate level, she teaches the comparative politics field seminar, special topics in comparative politics, and the department’s highly regarded course on qualitative methods. At the undergraduate level, she teaches the research design course for students considering writing a senior thesis as well as a set of special topics courses. Her small upper-level undergraduate courses are especially highly rated. Professor Jones Luong also individually mentors undergraduate and graduate students, many of whom have gone on to compete successfully for Fulbright-Hays and National Science Foundation grants.

Professor Jones Luong has an active service record. She has served as the director of the digital Islamic studies curriculum since 2012, and previously served as the director of the International Institute (2014-2020) and the director of the Islamic Studies Program (2012-2014). Within the department, Professor Jones Luong served for three years as the diversity ally, directed the Emerging Scholars Program, served on a faculty search committee, and chaired a tenure review committee. Professionally, she has been on the editorial boards of major journals (currently Slavic Review, Comparative Political Studies, and Post-Soviet Affairs), served on various American Political Science Association award committees, and served as a section chair. She has also done work for a variety of other organizations, including the Center for Security and International Studies, the Social Science Research Council, and the United States Institute of Peace.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Pauline Jones Luong as the Edie N. Goldenberg Endowed Director of the Michigan in Washington Program, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective August 29, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

RECOMMENDED BY: [Signature]
Anne Curzan, Dean
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of English Language and Literature, Linguistics, and Education
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY: [Signature]
Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
The dean and the Executive Committee of the School of Dentistry are pleased to recommend the appointment of Purnima Kumar as the William K. and Mary Anne Najjar Professor of Dentistry, School of Dentistry, for a five-year renewable term, effective May 1, 2022 through April 30, 2027.

The William K. Mary Anne Najjar Professorship in Dentistry was established in February 1985. Dr. William K. Najjar practiced dentistry in Grand Rapids, Michigan after his 1955 graduation from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry with a DDS degree. Shortly after that time, Dr. Najjar founded the Janar Corporation which dealt in dental materials. As a result of the success of the subsequent sale of the Janar Corporation to Johnson and Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. Najjar made a pledge to the School of Dentistry to establish this endowed professorship. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Purnima Kumar earned her BDS in 1987 from Annamalai University, her Masters of Dental Surgery (MDS) in periodontology from Tamil Nadu Dr. M.G.R. Medical University, and her PhD in oral biology in 2005 from The Ohio State University. She was appointed as an assistant professor in 2006, was promoted to associate professor in 2012, and to professor in 2015 at The Ohio State University. She will join the faculty at the University of Michigan School of Dentistry in May 2022.

Professor Kumar is a leader in utilizing state of the art developments in microbial genomics, bioinformatics and metagenomics analyses in our understanding of the oral microbial flora in periodontal diseases, in smokers, during pregnancy and in peri-implant inflammation. She is at the national and international forefront, paving the way for other researchers and clinicians in the area of microbial etiology of periodontal disease. Professor Kumar’s research is funded through the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the National Cancer Institutes and the oral healthcare industry. She has authored over 100 papers and book chapters and serves as the co-editor of

She is a diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology and a fellow of The Hedwig van Ameringen Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine (ELAM) program. Professor Kumar’s philosophies and productivity parallel the University of Michigan School of Dentistry’s core values of compassion, leadership, excellence, responsibility, trust, creativity and inclusion. She is a role model for all levels of student scholars and junior faculty, alike. She is an advocate and strong leader for diversity, equity and inclusion.

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Purnima Kumar as the William K. and Mary Anne Najjar Professor of Dentistry, School of Dentistry for a five year term, effective May 1, 2022 through April 30, 2027.

Recommended by: 

Laurie K. McCauley
Dean, School of Dentistry

Recommendation endorsed by:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Joaquim R.R.A. Martins as the Pauline M. Sherman Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027.

The Pauline M. Sherman Collegiate Professorship in Aerospace Engineering was established in February 2022 to honor Pauline M. Sherman, a former faculty member at the University of Michigan. The professorship is funded by the College of Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Joaquim Martins received his M.Eng. in aeronautics in 1995 from Imperial College, London, UK. He received his M.Sc. and Ph.D. in aeronautics and astronautics from Stanford University in 1997 and 2002, respectively. Following graduation, Professor Martins was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Toronto Institute for Aerospace Studies. He was promoted to associate professor in 2008. In 2009, Professor Martins joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an associate professor and was promoted to professor in 2015.

Professor Martins heads the Multidisciplinary Design Optimization Laboratory. His research involves developing numerical methods for design optimization and applying those methods to the design of aircraft and other engineering systems, including wind turbines, cars, watercraft, and spacecraft. He has co-authored 140 peer-reviewed journal articles and 170 conference papers. Professor Martins is a co-author of Engineering Design Optimization, a textbook published by Cambridge University Press. He teaches a graduate-level course (Multidisciplinary Design Optimization) on which the textbook is based. He also teaches Aircraft Design, which is an undergraduate capstone course.

Professor Martins directs the Collaborative Center in Aerospace Vehicle Design funded by the Air Force Research Laboratory. This center involves four other co-investigators, seven Ph.D. students, and five AFRL researchers. In addition, he is a co-investigator in the Airbus-Michigan
Center for Aero-Servo-Elasticity of Very Flexible Aircraft, contributing software for wing design optimization. He is also currently funded by NASA and Hyundai Motor Company.

Professor Martins is a fellow of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) and a fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society. He has served as an associate editor for the *AIAA Journal, Optimization and Engineering*, and *Structural and Multidisciplinary Optimization*. He is currently an associate editor for the *Journal of Aircraft*.

Professor Martins’ academic achievements fully merit his appointment to this professorship. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Joaquim R.R.A. Martins as the Pauline M. Sherman Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027.

**RECOMMENDED BY:**

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

**RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:**

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

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

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, 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

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 16, 2022

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Laurie K. McCauley as provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective May 16, 2022.

Dean McCauley has served as the dean of the School of Dentistry since 2013. During her almost nine-year tenure, she has galvanized the school around a shared vision which focuses on five domains: people, education, research and discovery, patient care and responsible growth and sustainability. With Dean McCauley’s leadership and support, the school has been ranked #1 in the U.S. for seven consecutive years by QS World University Rankings and #1 in the world for five consecutive years by Shanghai Ranking Consultancy. Dean McCauley oversaw a transformative $142M expansion and renovation project of the school’s clinical and education facilities with funding secured from the State of Michigan, institutional and donor sources. She is one of the longest serving deans among the university’s current academic leadership group, is the chair of the health sciences deans council and has been the academic co-lead on the planning efforts for the university’s next major capital campaign.

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 was promoted to 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 has
had several visiting scientist/professor appointments including the Institut de Genetique et de Biologie Moleculaire et Cellulaire, the Ecole Normale Superieure de Lyon, and the Center for Experimental Therapeutics and Reperfusion Injury, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School.

For over 25 years, Dean McCauley has led an active research program in hormonal controls of bone remodeling, parathyroid hormone anabolic actions in bone, and prostate cancer skeletal metastasis. She is a member of the National Academy of Medicine and among her many other recognitions are the inaugural Paula Stern Achievement award (ASBMR), a distinguished scientist award (International Association for Dental Research), a distinguished alumna award (The Ohio State University), and the Norton M. Ross Award for Excellence in Clinical Research (American Dental Association).

Dean McCauley’s proven leadership skills, depth of experience, and demonstrated commitment to the University of Michigan make her ideally suited for the responsibilities of provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective May 16, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Sue Coleman
President

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Robert W. O’Rourke, M.D.

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Surgery, with tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: William J. Fry Professor of Surgery, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027

On the recommendation of Justin B. Dimick, M.D., the Frederick A. Coller Distinguished Professor and chair of the Department of Surgery and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Robert W. O’Rourke, M.D. as the William J. Fry Professor of Surgery, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

The William J. Fry Professorship in Surgery was established in August 2008 through endowed funds, pledges, and departmental resources, and is intended to support the research and clinical efforts of a tenured member of the faculty in the Department of Surgery. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Robert W. O’Rourke received his M.D. degree from the University of California, Los Angeles in 1993. He completed a residency in surgery and a fellowship in transplantation immunology at the University of California, San Francisco, and a clinical fellowship in advanced minimally invasive surgery at the Legacy Health System in Portland, Oregon. Dr. O’Rourke was appointed as an assistant professor in the Department of Surgery at the Oregon Health and Science University in 2003 and was promoted to associate professor in 2008. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2013 as an associate professor of surgery. He was promoted to professor in 2017. Dr. O’Rourke was appointed as the chief of the Division of Surgery and the director of Bariatric Surgery at the Ann Arbor Veterans Affairs Healthcare System (AAVAHS) in 2018.

Dr. O’Rourke’s clinical and scientific career is focused on the treatment of patients with obesity and metabolic disease, specifically on type 2 diabetes. His primary clinical focus is minimally invasive and bariatric surgery. He has extensive experience in laparoscopic and open gastric bypass, sleeve gastrectomy, gastric banding, and revisional bariatric surgery, as well as minimally invasive esophageal, gastric, and hernia surgery. Through his leadership roles at the AAVAHS, he collaborates with internal medicine colleagues, other AAVAHS general surgeons and staff to bolster diversity, equity and inclusion reporting systems and education at that institution and guiding the VA general surgery team through the COVID pandemic.
Dr. O’Rourke’s research focuses on adipose tissue inflammatory and metabolic dysfunction in the context of obesity and its role in regulating the pathogenesis of systemic metabolic diseases including type 2 diabetes, dyslipidemia, and cancer. The overarching goal of this work is to develop novel cellular and molecular adipose tissue-based therapies for diabetes and other metabolic diseases. His laboratory has expertise in a wide range of advanced molecular and cellular biology laboratory techniques, including sophisticated in vitro human adipocyte 2D and 3D culture systems and metabolic phenotyping, in vivo murine models of obesity, and application of -omics technology to these models, including single cell RNA sequencing and proteomics. Subspecialty areas of expertise include the role of macrophages and NK cells in regulating adipose tissue inflammation and metabolism, and the role of the extracellular matrix in regulating adipocyte metabolic dysfunction in the context of diabetes.

Dr. O’Rourke is active in surgery resident and medical student education, and he served as the medical student facilitator at the AAVAHS for three years. He is a member of multiple national surgical societies, and has been a member of multiple institutional and national committees, including the Research Committee for the American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery. Dr. O’Rourke is an associate editor for SOARD, and is an editorial board member for Obesity Surgery.

Dr. O’Rourke is an exceptional surgeon, educator, clinician and researcher. He is a fitting candidate for this professorship. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Robert W. O’Rourke, M.D. as the William J. Fry Professor, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

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

Recommendation endorsed by:
Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Tuija I. Pulkkinen

CURRENT TITLES: Chair, Department of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, and Professor of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

ADDITIONAL TITLE: George R. Carignan Collegiate Professor of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Tuija I. Pulkkinen as the George R. Carignan Collegiate Professor of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027.

The George R. Carignan Collegiate Professorship in Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering was established in February 2022 to honor George R. Carignan, a former faculty member at the University of Michigan. The professorship is funded by the College of Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Tuija Pulkkinen received her Ph.D. degree in theoretical physics in 1992 from the University of Helsinki in Finland. She joined the University of Michigan in 2018 as a professor and chair of the Department of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering. She has worked previously as the dean and vice president for research and innovation at Aalto University, and as a research professor at the Finnish Meteorological Institute.

Professor Pulkkinen has held numerous positions in international and national scientific organizations including presidency of the European Geosciences Union and member of the Council of the Committee for Space Research (COSPAR). She is the co-chair of the Committee for Solar and Space Physics under the Space Studies Board, and she chaired the recent NASA Heliophysics Senior Review. She has also served in several other functions for the NAS, research funding organizations, and university assessments. Professor Pulkkinen is a member of the National Academy of Sciences, Royal Astronomical Society, and Finnish Academy of Sciences and Letters, and fellow of the American Geophysical Union. She is the recipient of the James B. Macelwane medal of the American Geophysical Union and the Julius Bartels Medal of the European Geosciences Union.
Professor Pulkkinen’s research interests focus on the plasma physics of the Sun-Earth system. Using the University of Michigan Space Weather Modeling Framework, her research currently targets to resolve the physical processes responsible for driving the plasma dynamics and energetic particle acceleration in the near-Earth space. In particular, she is interested in quantifying the entry of energy from the interplanetary medium into the Earth’s space environment that is responsible for the space weather hazards posed as well as to spacecraft in orbit as ground-based (power transmission and other) infrastructure. Graduate students and post-doctoral scientists in her research group are involved both in numerical simulations and analysis of observations made by NASA Earth-orbiting satellite missions as well as by ground-based auroral and magnetic instruments.

Professor Pulkkinen’s academic achievements fully merit her appointment to this professorship. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Tuija I. Pulkkinen as the George R. Carignan Collegiate Professor of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, College of Engineering, March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2027.

RECOMMENDED BY:  

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  

Susan M. Collins  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Hom-Lay Wang

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Dentistry, with tenure, School of Dentistry

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Collegiate Professor of Periodontics, School of Dentistry

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027

The dean and the Executive Committee of the School of Dentistry are pleased to recommend the appointment of Hom-Lay Wang as the Collegiate Professor of Periodontics, School of Dentistry, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027.

The Collegiate Professorship in Periodontics was established in December 2006. The intent of the professorship is that it be used as a rotating title to be awarded to a selected School of Dentistry senior faculty member. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Hom-Lay Wang received his BDS in 1983 from Taipei Medical College, Taiwan. He received his DDS degree in 1989, his Masters of Science and a specialty certificate in periodontology in 1987 from Case Western Reserve University. He received his PhD from Hiroshima University, Hiroshima Japan in 2008. Professor Wang joined the University of Michigan as an assistant professor of dentistry in 1989. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 1997, and to professor in 2002. In 1995, he was appointed as the director of graduate periodontics and currently serves in this position.

Professor Wang is extensively involved in clinical and didactic teaching. He has taught and directed virtually every offering in the periodontics program. Numerous students mentored by Professor Wang have received distinguished national awards. He has been instrumental in bridging the link to understanding the relationship between biological and clinical disciplines. His excellent teaching and mentoring at the didactic, clinical and research levels are demonstrated by the consistently high performance of his students on the Michigan Periodontal and American Academy of Periodontology Board Exams as well as awards such as the Outstanding Periodontal Educator Award from the American Academy of Periodontology (2017), the William J. Gies Annual Periodontology Award from the William J. Gies Foundation for the Advancement of Dentistry of the American Dental Education Association (2018), and the Distinguished Faculty Research Mentoring Award from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry (2019).
Professor Wang’s research focuses on guided tissue regeneration, implantology, and oral plastic surgeries. He has published extensively (more than 900 manuscripts), and he has presented at national and international meetings and seminars around the globe. In addition, he has co-authored several book chapters. He has attracted a substantial amount of gift and grant funding to support student activities and research projects. Professor Wang is a gifted clinical investigator, student research mentor and continues to excel in his research.

Professor Wang’s service to the profession is highly regarded and sets the bar for many professors in his specialty. He has served with distinction on several editorial boards and as an associate editor and an editor-in-chief for prestigious journals. He has a strong service record at the School of Dentistry, serving as the director of graduate periodontics, organizing several scientific and clinical meetings and actively participating in the Dental Faculty Associates clinic.

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Hom-Lay Wang as the Collegiate Professor of Periodontics, School of Dentistry for a five year term, effective April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2027.

Recommended by:

Laurie K. McCauley  
Dean, School of Dentistry

Recommendation endorsed by:

Susan M. Collins  
Provost and Executive Vice  
President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUESTED: Additional Appointment to an Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Xueding Wang, Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Biomedical Engineering, with tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, and Professor of Radiology, without tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Jonathan Rubin Collegiate Professor of Biomedical Engineering, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027

On the recommendation of Mary-Ann Mycek, Ph.D., professor and interim chair of the Department of Biomedical Engineering, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Xueding Wang, Ph.D. as the Jonathan Rubin Collegiate Professor of Biomedical Engineering, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

This professorship was established in the Provost Office and was named the Jonathan Rubin Collegiate Professorship in Biomedical Engineering in February 2022. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Xueding Wang received his Ph.D. degree in biomedical engineering in 1974 from Texas A & M University. He completed a fellowship in medical imaging at the University of Michigan and was appointed as a research investigator in the Department of Radiology in 2005. Dr. Wang was appointed as an assistant professor in 2008 and was additionally appointed in the Department of Biomedical Engineering in 2009. He rose through the ranks to a professor in 2018.

Dr. Wang has developed broad expertise in ultrasound-based imaging and effectively connects to investigators in a range of departments. His research is primarily focused on novel biomedical imaging and therapy technology, especially those involving light and ultrasound for which he has become internationally renowned. His research program advances the fundamentals of the technology while also applying the existing systems to clinical problems. A major part of his research focuses on the development of photoacoustic imaging, a novel laser-induced ultrasound imaging technology, and its clinical applications in inflammatory arthritis, cancer, inflammatory bowel disease, and eye diseases. Dr. Wang also investigates molecular level diagnostic and novel therapeutics facilitated by functional probes and contrast agents. Through collaborations, he has also invented a new therapeutic technology named photo-mediated ultrasound therapy. This technology is being developed into a new tool to treat neoangiogenesis-associated eye diseases such as wet age-related macular degeneration, and diabetic retinopathy. His research has been
supported by the NIH, foundations and industry. He has published 164 peer-reviewed articles, and numerous invitations to present his research internationally, including in Canada, China, Russia and Portugal. He is an associate editor of *Medical Physics*, *Photoacoustics*, and *Ultrasonic Imaging*.

Dr. Wang is a nationally and internationally renowned researcher focused on the development of photoacoustic imaging. His work is impactful in clinical applications and the potential for future treatments for arthritis, cancer, inflammatory bowel disease and eye diseases. He is a fitting candidate for this professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Xueding Wang, Ph.D. as the Jonathan Rubin Collegiate Professor of Biomedical Engineering, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

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Recommended by:

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

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

Recommendation endorsed by:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
ACTION REQUEST: Joint Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Susan J. Woolford, M.D.

CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of Pediatrics, with tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Associate Professor of Health Behavior and Health Education, without tenure, School of Public Health

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 29, 2022

With the support of the Executive Committees of the Medical School and the School of Public Health, we are pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Susan J. Woolford, M.D. as associate professor of health behavior and health education, without tenure, School of Public Health, effective August 29, 2022.

Susan Woolford received her M.D. from the College of Human Medicine at Michigan State University. She was appointed as clinical instructor in the Department of Pediatrics and Human Development at the Sparrow Hospital Health System in 1995. During the same year, she completed an internship in the same department followed by her residency in 1998. In 2004, Dr. Woolford joined Michigan Medicine as a clinical lecturer in pediatrics in the Ambulatory Care Program. In 2006, she was appointed as a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Pediatrics. Later that same year, she completed a fellowship and was appointed as a faculty member in the Child Health Evaluation and Research (CHEAR) Unit in the Department of Pediatrics. Dr. Woolford was promoted to assistant professor in 2010, and in 2015 was appointed as a faculty member in the Community Engaged Program Michigan Institute for Clinical Health and Research (MICHR). In 2018, she was appointed as the faculty lead of the Summer Immersion Program in Health Disparities in the Education and Mentoring Group of MICHR. In 2019, she was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in the Department of Pediatrics.

Dr. Woolford’s research focuses on the use of mHealth interventions to enhance provider-patient communication about weight-related lifestyle habits. As a faculty member in the CHEAR, she leads the Student Internship Program. She also leads the Summer Immersion Program focused on health disparities at MICHR. Dr. Woolford is a collaborator with School of Public Health faculty Marc Zimmerman, Barbara Israel and Ken Resnicow, on a variety of research projects, mostly related to pediatric obesity and injury prevention.

A joint appointment in the Department of Health Behavior and Health Education would allow the forging of additional connections within the department and allow Dr. Woolford to become more involved in educational activities with students. Specifically, a joint appointment would
allow Dr. Woolford to offer research opportunities and deliver lectures from a general pediatrics perspective. Moving forward, it is anticipated that she would continue her current collaborations and expand them to include more work with the Prevention Research Center especially as it relates to community engagement in Flint with the Healthy Flint Research Coordinating Center and with faith-based organizations. Furthermore, a joint appointment in the Department of Health Behavior and Health Education will allow her to offer students independent study opportunities through both CHEAR and MICHRA.

We are pleased to recommend joint appointment of Susan J. Woolford, M.D. as associate professor of health behavior and health education, without tenure, School of Public Health, effective August 29, 2022.

Recommended by:  

[Signature]
F. DuBois Bowman, Ph.D.  
Dean, School of Public Health

Recommendation endorsed by:  

[Signature]
Susan M. Collins  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

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

March 2022
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Xian-Zhong Shawn Xu, Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Molecular and Integrative Physiology, with tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Bernard W. Agranoff Collegiate Professor in the Life Sciences, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027

On the recommendation of Roger D. Cone, Ph.D., vice provost and director of the Life Sciences Institute, and the Asa Gray Professor, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Xian-Zhong Shawn Xu, Ph.D. as the Bernard W. Agranoff Collegiate Professor in the Life Sciences, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

The Bernard W. Agranoff Collegiate Professorship in the Life Sciences was established in February 2012 to honor Bernard W. Agranoff, M.D., who was a professor of biochemistry at the University of Michigan from 1960-2003. Dr. Agranoff co-authored the book, Basic Neurochemistry, which is considered to be the authoritative treatise on neurochemistry. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Dr. Xu is a nationally and internationally recognized expert in neuroscience and physiology. He has emerged as a leader in the field and is recognized for his multidisciplinary approach combining functional imaging, molecular genetics, behavior analysis and electrophysiology. He works with the model organism C. elegans due to its simplicity and amenability to genetic manipulation. Dr. Xu’s research is funded by multiple NIH grants, and he has published 69 peer-reviewed articles. He received the Basic Science Research Award from the Medical School in 2011, and has developed C. elegans as a new model in several studies that were published in high-profile journals.

Dr. Xu continues to be an outstanding investigator, and educator. His mentees have progressed to faculty positions and received numerous awards. This professorship enables him to contribute greatly to the Department of Molecular and Integrative Physiology, the Medical School and the university. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Xian-Zhong Shawn Xu, Ph.D. as the Bernard W. Agranoff Collegiate Professor in the Life Sciences, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2027.

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

Recommendation endorsed by: Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
Recommendations for approval of leaves of absence for regular instructional staff and selected academic administrative staff
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Extension of Leave for a Faculty Member

NAME: Robert C. Hampshire

CURRENT TITLES: Associate Professor of Public Policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and Associate Professor of Industrial and Operations Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering

TYPE OF LEAVE: Intergovernmental Personnel Assignment

DATE OF CURRENT LEAVE: January 20, 2021 through January 19, 2022

TIME EXTENSION REQUESTED: January 20, 2022 through January 19, 2023

It is recommended that Robert C. Hampshire be granted an extension of an intergovernmental personnel assignment leave of absence, effective January 20, 2022 through January 19, 2023.

Professor Hampshire is currently on leave from the Ford School, serving as the chief science officer and principal deputy assistant secretary for research and technology at the U.S. Department of Transportation. This leave provides a unique opportunity for Professor Hampshire to leverage his academic expertise for policy impact.

We request approval of this extension of an Intergovernmental Personnel Assignment leave of absence for Professor Robert C. Hampshire.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Michael S. Barr
Joan and Sanford Weill Dean, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

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

March 2022
Establishing and renaming professorships and selected academic and administrative positions.
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Shireen and Afzal Ahmad Professorship in South Asian Arts, Department of the History of Art, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2022

With the approval of the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Shireen and Afzal Ahmad Professorship in South Asian Arts, Department of the History of Art, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective March 1, 2022.

The College of Literature, Science, and the Arts has received a generous gift pledge of $2.75 million from Drs. Shireen and Afzal Ahmad who wish to continue their distinguished record of supporting the study and appreciation of South Asian arts, architecture, and visual cultures within the Department of the History of Art. While Drs. Shireen and Afzal Ahmad prefer to support scholars specializing in modern and contemporary South Asian arts and visual cultures, they are keen to help the department continue its commitment to and excellence in both historical and modern art historical study. Successful candidates for the professorship will be those at the rank of associate professor or professor, with tenure, whose area of specialization will enhance the knowledge and research that would elevate the stature of South Asian art and promote its integration into mainstream narratives. The incumbent will be expected to facilitate appropriate collaborative initiatives in synergy with the South Asia Institute in Chicago. Appointment periods may be up to five years and may be renewed.

In recognition of this significant gift from Drs. Shireen and Afzal Ahmad, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Shireen and Afzal Ahmad Professorship in South Asian Arts, Department of the History of Art, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective March 1, 2022.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Anne Curzan, Dean
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of English Language and Literature, Linguistics, and Education
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Research Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: James W. Crudup Research Professorship, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2022

On the recommendation of Justin B. Dimick, M.D., M.P.H., the Frederick A. Coller Distinguished Professor and chair of the Department of Surgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the James W. Crudup Research Professorship, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

This professorship is being established through a split of excess funds from the George D. Zuidema Professorship in Surgery. It is intended to support the research, clinical and outreach efforts of a distinguished faculty member in the Department of Surgery whose work focuses on burn surgery. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

James Crudup was born in Forest, Mississippi in 1927. He married Juanita Glover in 1940, and they have four children. Mr. Crudup moved to Inkster, Michigan, in 1950 and worked for the Clippert Brick Company, driving an 18-wheeler. When Clippert Brick Company closed, he was hired by C. Gardner Child, M.D. to run a newly created animal research laboratory in Medical Science I. Mr. Crudup had no formal college education or medical degree. However, after watching surgeons perform complex operations on animals and through his own research and exploratory surgeries, he became an expert at multiple procedures, including heart, liver, and pancreas transplants. He implanted artificial veins and arteries, repaired intestines, inserted catheters to deliver drugs into livers and tested new techniques in plastic surgery. In addition to providing animals and technical support for surgery residents, Mr. Crudup also became a master teacher. He contributed to scientific papers, pioneered microsurgery, and kidney transplantation in rats.

Throughout his tenure, Mr. Crudup respected the animals being used for research. In 1984, he received the University of Michigan Jody C. Ungerleider Memorial Award for outstanding contributions toward the humane treatment of laboratory animals. In 1989, the Department of Surgery created the James W. Crudup Award for Excellence in Surgical Research, which honors a surgical resident annually. He returned to Forest, Mississippi in 1989. In honor of his contributions at the University of Michigan, his hometown declared July 8, 2006 “Dr. James ‘Jimmy’ Crudup Day.” He was also awarded an honorary degree from Tougaloo University in Jackson, Mississippi. In 2007, he received a Community Honoree award from the Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning.
Mr. Crudup made a significant impact on the training of numerous surgeons in the surgical animal laboratory. This prestigious professorship will honor his contributions and further research within the Department of Surgery. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the establishment of the James W. Crudup Research Professorship, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

Recommended by: 

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

Recommendation endorsed by:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice
President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Research Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Arthur W. Fleming, M.D. Research Professorship, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2022

On the recommendation of Justin B. Dimick, M.D., M.P.H., the Frederick A. Coller Distinguished Professor and chair of the Department of Surgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the Arthur W. Fleming, M.D. Research Professorship, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

This professorship is being established through a split of excess funds from the George D. Zuidema Professorship in Surgery. It is intended to support the research, clinical and outreach efforts of a distinguished faculty member in the Department of Surgery whose work focuses on diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Dr. Arthur W. Fleming graduated from the University of Michigan Medical School in 1965 and was a two-time class president. He received his general surgery and thoracic training at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. After a 17-year career at that institution, Dr. Fleming was appointed as the chair of the Department of Surgery at Charles Drew University and the chief of surgery at the King-Drew Medical Center. Dr. Fleming had an extremely successful academic surgical career highlighted by being the first president of the Society of Black Academic Surgeons, receiving 47 awards, publishing more than 70 papers and giving more than 100 presentations.

This professorship will honor Dr. Fleming’s contributions and advance work in diversity, equity and inclusion within medicine. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the establishment of the Arthur W. Fleming, M.D. Research Professorship, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

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

Recommendation endorsed by:  
Susan M. Collins  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Collegiate Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Alice L. Hunt Collegiate Professorship in Engineering, College of Engineering

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2022

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Alice L. Hunt Collegiate Professorship in Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022.

The professorship will be funded by the College of Engineering.

Alice Hunt was, for many years, an instructor in engineering drawing in the engineering college. Her initial appointment to the faculty at the University of Michigan dates to February 27, 1889, when she was designated as an assistant to Professor C. E. Dennison. In October of that year, her title changed to assistant in drawing. At a later date, Ms. Hunt was promoted to instructor in engineering drawing, which she held until her retirement in February 1919.

The College of Engineering is pleased to have an opportunity to honor Alice Hunt by establishing a collegiate professorship in her name. The initial term of appointment will be for five years with the possibility of renewal.

RECOMMENDED BY: RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

Susan M. Collins  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Charles S. and Ann S. Hutchins Professorship of Practice in Engineering, College of Engineering

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2022

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Charles S. and Ann S. Hutchins Professorship of Practice in Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022.

The College of Engineering is the recipient of a generous gift from Charles S. Hutchins to establish and support an endowed professorship to be known as the Charles S. and Ann S. Hutchins Professorship of Practice in Engineering. The professorship is intended to support persons who have accumulated extensive experience within a relevant professional discipline, in the private or public sectors, that would provide a unique background and wealth of knowledge that is of particular value as it is shared with the university’s students and other faculty.

Appointments to the Charles S. and Ann S. Hutchins Professorship of Practice in Engineering will be made by the dean of the College of Engineering. Appointments will be made for up to five years and may be renewed.

Charles S. (Chuck) Hutchins earned his B.S.E. in machine design in 1957 from the University of Michigan and joined Buhr Machine Tool Company that same year. He quickly became Buhr’s numeric control (NC) expert, leading the company to becoming a pioneer in the application of NC to the production of machine tool parts. Mr. Hutchins has been at the forefront of innovation in machine tool and NC technology for more than 35 years. He is the inventor of the “Compact II” programming system that gave birth to computer-aided manufacturing (CAM) and is a driving force behind the open architecture control movement. His work has profoundly influenced the productivity of thousands of companies and has enhanced the lives of tens of thousands of machinists. In 1966, Mr. Hutchins saw an opportunity to develop an NC language processor on a time-sharing computer, and by 1967, he began developing the Compact II NC programming language. In 1969, he became the co-founder of Manufacturing Data Systems, Inc. (MDSI), the company which pioneered CAM. At its height, Manufacturing Data Systems, Inc., was one of Ann Arbor’s largest employers, with a huge corporate campus on Plymouth Road and offices in Europe and Asia. MDSI was sold in 1981 to Schlumberger for $210 million. Today Mr. Hutchins is the single largest individual supporter of the UM Solar Car Team and recent author of the book *Hot Tech Cold Steel: How Computer-Aided Manufacturing Caught Fire in Ann Arbor and Spread Around the World.*
The College of Engineering is grateful to Charles S. Hutchins for his generosity and support. In recognition of this significant gift, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Charles S. and Ann S. Hutchins Professorship of Practice in Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

March 2022

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Research Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Maud T. Lane Research Professorship, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2022

On the recommendation of Justin B. Dimick, M.D., M.P.H., the Frederick A. Coller Distinguished Professor and chair of the Department of Surgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the Maud T. Lane Research Professorship, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

This professorship is being established from funds generated from the Maude T. Lane Professorship in Surgical Immunology, which was established in December 1955 through a bequest from the estate of Maude T. Lane, a grateful patient of C. Gardner Childs, III, M.D. It is intended to support the research, clinical and outreach efforts of a faculty member in the Department of Surgery whose primary focus is oncology. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the Maud T. Lane Research Professorship, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

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

Recommendation endorsed by: Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Research Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Maud T. Lane Research Professorship in Surgical Oncology, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2022

On the recommendation of Justin B. Dimick, M.D., M.P.H., the Frederick A. Coller Distinguished Professor and chair of the Department of Surgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the Maud T. Lane Research Professorship in Surgical Oncology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

This professorship is being established from funds generated from the Maude T. Lane Professorship in Surgical Immunology, which was established in December 1955 through a bequest from the estate of Maude T. Lane, a grateful patient of C. Gardner Childs, III, M.D. It is intended to support the research, clinical and outreach efforts of a faculty member in the Department of Surgery whose primary focus is oncology. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the Maud T. Lane Research Professorship in Surgical Oncology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

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

Recommendation endorsed by: Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
ACTION REQUEST: Naming of an Existing Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Roderick Joseph Little Collegiate Professorship in Public Health, School of Public Health

TERM: Five-Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2022

The School of Public Health seeks to name an existing unendowed collegiate professorship for Roderick J. Little, who chaired the Department of Biostatistics at the University of Michigan from 1993 – 2001 and from 2007-2009. Professor Little is currently the Richard D. Remington Distinguished University Professor of Biostatistics, School of Public Health, Professor of Statistics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, Research Professor, Survey Research Center, Institute for Social Research, and Senior Fellow, Michigan Society of Fellows.

This professorship was established through the Provost Office. A stipend funded by school resources will accompany this professorship.

Roderick J. Little received his B.A. in mathematics from Cambridge University, followed by his M.S. in statistics and operations research and then his Ph.D. in statistics from Imperial College, London University.

Prior to his appointment as a professor of biostatistics at the University of Michigan, he was a professor of biomathematics at the University of California at Los Angeles. He was appointed as the Richard D. Remington Distinguished University Professor of Biostatistics in 2013.

Professor Little is one of the world’s foremost statisticians and inventors of many methods for performing statistical analyses. He co-authored the book, Statistical Analysis with Missing Data, one of the most highly cited books in all of statistics. Professor Little has over 280 publications, mainly on methods for the analysis of data with missing values and model-based survey inference, and the application of statistics to diverse scientific areas, including medicine, demography, economics, psychiatry, aging, and the environment.

Professor Little is an elected member of the International Statistical Institute, a fellow of the American Statistical Association and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and a member of the Institute of Medicine of the U.S. National Academies. He was the vice president of the American Statistical Association from 2010-2012. In 2005, Professor Little was awarded the American Statistical Association’s prestigious Wilks Medal for research contributions, and he gave the President’s Invited Address at the Joint Statistical Meetings. He was selected by the
Committee of Presidents of Statistical Societies as the Fisher Lecturer at the 2012 Joint Statistics Meetings.

A distinguished faculty member will be nominated to receive this honor. The initial term of the appointment will be for five years with the possibility of renewal.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
The University of Michigan
Regents Communication

Action Request: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

Proposed Name: Nancy S. and Michael B. McLelland Professorship in Nursing, School of Nursing

Term: Three to Five Years, Renewable

Effective Date: March 1, 2022

The School of Nursing is pleased to recommend the establishment of the Nancy S. and Michael B. McLelland Professorship in Nursing, School of Nursing, effective March 1, 2022. The school is the recipient of a generous gift of $2,500,000. The donor desires the School of Nursing to establish an endowed professorship named the Nancy S. and Michael B. McLelland Professorship in Nursing. As nurses are critical to the provision of healthcare in their communities and dedicated to teaching, learning, and sharing practices that promote the well-being of all patients, this professorship will be used to enhance the school’s mission to make a positive impact on future generations of nurses that contributes to the nursing profession through dedicated leadership, focused education, research, and programs that enhance nursing practice and care.

Appointments to the Nancy S. and Michael B. McLelland Professorship in Nursing will be made by the dean of the School of Nursing upon the recommendation of the department chair, with the approval of the School Executive Committee. Based on historical practice, appointments to this endowed professorship will be made for a three- to five-year term and may be renewed.

In recognition of this significant gift, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Nancy S. and Michael B. McLelland Professorship in Nursing, School of Nursing, effective March 1, 2022.

Recommends By:

Patricia D. Hurn
Dean and Professor
School of Nursing

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Department Chair

PROPOSED NAME: Ronald D. and Regina C. McNeil Department Chair in Robotics, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2022

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Ronald D. and Regina C. McNeil Department Chair in Robotics, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022.

The Ronald D. and Regina C. McNeil Department Chair in Robotics is funded with gifts provided by Ronald D. and Regina C. McNeil together with The Ronald D. & Regina C. McNeil Foundation, Inc. Distributions are to be used to carry out the intended work of the Department of Robotics.

The Ronald D. & Regina C. McNeil Foundation, Inc. is a private 501(c)3 organization founded in 2002 in support of education. The founders, Ronald Dean McNeil and Regina Clark McNeil, are both natives of Detroit, Michigan and graduates of Detroit Cass Technical High School, which is where they met.

Mr. McNeil earned his Bachelor of Science degree in finance and business economics from Wayne State University. In December 2007, Mr. McNeil retired from Allstate after 31+ years of distinguished service. He was a member of Allstate’s Board of Directors from 1994 to his retirement and a member of the Senior Management Team. Mr. McNeil exercised fiscal responsibilities totaling $30 billion and leadership responsibilities for 70,000 employees. Mr. McNeil is a member of the Leadership Advisory Board at the University of Michigan College of Engineering.

Dr. McNeil is a self-described educator. She earned her Master of Arts and Doctoral degrees, respectively, from Wayne State University and the University of Minnesota. Before her retirement in 1992, she taught high school mathematics and undergraduate statistics. Dr. McNeil worked also with the Educational Testing Service as an associate research scientist. Since her retirement, Dr. McNeil has devoted herself to philanthropic endeavors. She is a member of the Dean’s Advisory Council at the University of Michigan School of Education.

Mr. and Dr. McNeil believe that education is an essential element in a successful life plan and challenge themselves and others to “Reach Beyond Your Grasp.” The Foundation has funded many endowments and scholarship programs in Michigan, and Lanai, Hawaii.
In recognition of this significant gift from Ronald D. and Regina C. McNeil, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Ronald D. and Regina C. McNeil Department Chair in Robotics, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2022.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice
President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Change in Name of an Existing Endowed Professorship

CURRENT TITLE: Barger Family Professorship in Organizational Studies, College of
Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDED TITLE: Richard H. Price Professorship in Organizational Studies, College
of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2022

We are pleased to recommend a change in name of an existing endowed professorship from the
Barger Family Professorship in Organizational Studies, to the Richard H. Price Professorship in
Organizational Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective March 1, 2022.

The Barger Family Professorship in Organizational Studies was established in June 2005. The
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts received a generous gift of $2 million from David
Barger, which has grown to a market value of $4.5 million, for the purpose of establishing the
professorship to support the director of the Organizational Studies Program. This change in name is
at David Barger’s request, to honor Richard Price’s vision in creating the Organizational Studies
Program. Appointments to the professorship will coincide with the term of the directorship.

We are pleased to recommend a change in name of an existing endowed professorship from the
Barger Family Professorship in Organizational Studies, to the Richard H. Price Professorship in
Organizational Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective March 1, 2022.

Recommended by: 

Anne Curzan, Dean
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of
English Language and Literature, Linguistics,
and Education
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Recommendation endorsed by:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice
President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
The School of Nursing is pleased to recommend the establishment of the Sara H. and Robert B. Rothschild Professorship in Global Nursing, School of Nursing, effective March 1, 2022.

The school is the recipient of a generous gift of $2,500,000. The donor desires the School of Nursing to establish an endowed professorship named the Sara H. and Robert B. Rothschild Professorship in Global Nursing. As the understanding of health and wellness issues transcend geographical and national borders, this professorship will be used to enhance the school’s mission to make a positive impact on future generations of nurses that contributes to the nursing profession through dedicated leadership, focused education, research, and programs that enhance nursing practice and care to diverse populations.

Appointments to the Sara H. and Robert B. Rothschild Professorship in Global Nursing will be made by the dean of the School of Nursing upon the recommendation of the department chair, with the approval of the School Executive Committee. Based on historical practice, appointments to this endowed professorship will be made for a three- to five-year term and may be renewed.

In recognition of this significant gift, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Sara H. and Robert B. Rothschild Professorship in Global Nursing, School of Nursing, effective March 1, 2022.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Patricia D. Hurn
Dean and Professor
School of Nursing

March 2022
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Richard and Marilyn Witham Professorship in Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2022

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 establishment of the Richard and Marilyn Witham Professorship in Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

The Richard and Marilyn Witham Professorship in Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences is being established through a generous gift from Richard N. and Marilyn K. Witham. It is intended to support a faculty member who is the director of the clinical research program in the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences and honors Dr. Grant Comer. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Richard Witham has over 40 years of business experience as an entrepreneur who concentrates on manufacturing precision springs and wire forms, as well as injected molded plastics and automation, serving the plastics, electronics and medical device industries. He started his original business, and has owned several companies. He has experience in mergers and acquisitions, as well as new company startups. Mr. Witham previously owned and was the president of Michigan Company, Engineered Plastic Corporation, Automated Industrial Motion, Rimar Development and Motion Dynamics. He was the president of the Hines Corporation from 1997-2002, and was the executive vice president of the Precisions Products Group of CLARCOR. He is a graduate of Michigan State University and Harvard’s Executive SCM program.

Marilyn Witham is devoted to her family, friends and her home. She is an avid reader and is involved in the Greater Muskegon Service League and Women Who Care. She is past the president of Hackley Hospital Women’s Auxiliary. Mrs. Witham received treatment at the Kellogg Eye Center under the care of Dr. Hakan Demirci and Dr. Grant Comer and is grateful for her care.
This prestigious professorship will support research to advance cures for ocular diseases and honor the generosity of the benefactors. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the establishment of the Richard and Marilyn Witham Professorship in Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Medical School, effective March 1, 2022.

Recommended by:  

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

Recommendation endorsed by:  

Susan M. Collins 
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
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: Recess appointment approval for the period between regularly scheduled meetings

ACTION REQUESTED: Authorization for approving necessary appointments

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 25, 2022 through May 18, 2022

During the period between this board meeting and the next regularly scheduled board meeting, it is requested that the Regents authorize the president or the provost and executive vice president for academic affairs to make such recess appointments and/or changes as may become necessary. All such appointments will be reported to the Regents at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Appointment to an Endowed Visiting Professorship

NAME: Jacob S. Klein

RECOMMENDED TITLE: James B. and Grace J. Nelson Visiting Professor of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: August 29, 2022 through December 31, 2022

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Philosophy and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Jacob S. Klein as the James B. and Grace J. Nelson Visiting Professor of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

The James B. and Grace J. Nelson Endowment for the Teaching of Philosophy was established in 1940 by a generous gift from James B. Nelson and increased by subsequent gifts from Mr. and Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Julia Jean Nelson Stokes. The James B. and Grace J. Nelson Visiting Professorship in Philosophy was approved by the Regents in August 1991.

Jacob Klein received his Bachelor of Arts from Hillsdale College in 2000 and his Master of Arts from Virginia Tech University in 2002. He attended Cornell University where he earned his doctorate in philosophy in 2010. Professor Klein joined the faculty at Colgate University as an assistant professor in 2009. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2015.

Professor Klein’s research interests are in ancient ethics and moral psychology, especially as they relate to questions about the objectivity of norms and values. He is recognized as an expert on Hellenistic philosophy in general and on Stoicism in particular. In addition to his many publications, Professor Klein has published two papers on some of the central features of Stoic ethical theory. One of the papers argues for an epistemic account of the value and disvalue the Stoics assign to so-called indifferents; the other, “The Stoic Argument from oikeiosis” (in The Routledge Handbook of Hellenistic Philosophy, Routledge, 2020), reconstructs the Stoic theory of oikeiosis to show how it supports Stoic claims about the human good. The latter was selected by The Philosopher’s Annual as one of the ten best articles published in philosophy in 2016. He is currently working on a book manuscript, The Ethics of the Older Stories, that connects the conclusions of these papers to the Stoic theory of motivation and the details of Stoic moral psychology. He is also in the process of co-editing The Oxford Handbook of Hellenistic Philosophy (Oxford University Press, forthcoming) and writing a book on the Stoics for Routledge’s Great Philosophers series (Routledge, forthcoming).
At Colgate University, Professor Klein teaches a core course entitled “Legacies of the Ancient World” and an introductory course on philosophical problems. He teaches 300-level courses on the topics of contemporary metaethics, contemporary epistemology, ancient philosophy, and ancient and modern skepticism, as well as 400-level courses on ancient Stoicism, ancient ethical theory, and noncognitivism in ethics. During his time at Michigan, Professor Klein will teach two courses for the department. The first is a 300-level undergraduate course on metaethics, which concerns the nature of ethical theories and moral judgements. The second is a graduate seminar on Plato’s Republic, a foundational text in the history of philosophy. Both courses will greatly enrich the department’s teaching during the fall term. Professor Klein has a strong professional service record, having served as a referee for top journals in his field, a dissertation committee member, and organizer for multiple national and international conferences.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Jacob S. Klein as the James B. and Grace J. Nelson Visiting Professor of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Anne Curzan, Dean
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of English Language and Literature, Linguistics, and Education
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Susan M. Collins
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Appointment to an Endowed Visiting Professorship

NAME: Nancy Savoca

RECOMMENDED TITLE: John H. Mitchell Visiting Professor in Media Entertainment, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: August 29, 2022 through December 31, 2022

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Film, Television, and Media and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Nancy Savoca as the John H. Mitchell Visiting Professor in Media Entertainment, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

The John H. Mitchell Visiting Professorship in Media Entertainment was established by the Regents in October 2021 as the result of a generous gift from the Patricia W. Mitchell Trust. Visiting scholars are highly experienced in the media industry and teach an undergraduate course in the Department of Film, Television, and Media. Appointment periods are for the fall term only and may not be renewed.

Nancy Savoca is an American film director, producer, and screenwriter. She earned her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from New York University (NYU) Tisch School for the Arts in 1982. In the same year, she earned the Haig P. Manoogian Award from NYU in recognition of her short films.

Deemed as a pioneer in the independent women’s cinema movement in the U.S., Ms. Savoca’s work explores themes of gender and ethnic identity, civil rights, immigration, and family relationships. Several of her films (which include critically acclaimed titles such as True Love, Dogfight, Household Saints, Dirt, Union Square, and If These Walls Could Talk) have become recognized texts in film studies courses and her work has been analyzed in monographs and journal articles. For example, Jonathan J. Cavallero’s Hollywood’s Italian American Filmmakers: Capra, Scorsese, Savoca, Coppola, and Tarentino (University of Illinois Press, 2011) positions Ms. Savoca with legendary directorial masters and contrasts her nuanced onscreen depictions of female Italian Americans in True Love and Household Saints with the more masculine, violent images associated with films like The Godfather, GoodFellas, and True Romance. Diana Isabel Arredondo Rio’s Black and Brown Communication: Latino and African American Communication (ABC-CLIO, Inc., 2003) delves into Ms. Savoca’s movie The 24-Hour Woman, a film that has both a Latina and African American women as the leads and depicts how women juggle children and work in a busy television newsroom environment.
Ms. Savoca’s work in television includes the HBO production, *If These Walls Could Talk*, a three-part look at abortion rights. She served as co-writer for all three segments and directed the pieces starring Demi Moore and Sissy Spacek. The film was the highest rated original movie in HBO history, received Emmy and Golden Globe nominations for best television drama and, as one of the principal creators, earned Ms. Savoca a Lucy Award from Women in Film for “innovation in television.”

An educator since 1989, Ms. Savoca has given classes, lectures, and workshops in the U.S. and abroad, including the Netherlands, Germany, the Republic of Georgia, Argentina, Columbia, Costa Rica, and Cuba. From 2009-2011, she served as an adjunct professor at NYU’s Graduate Film Program and at the City College of New York where she was an artist-in-residence. From 2014-2018, she served as a master teacher in Cinema Arts for National Young Arts in the U.S. During her time at Michigan, Ms. Savoca will teach “Before You Say ‘Action:’ Preparing to Shoot.” Centering on the director’s pre-production work, the class will engage students in script analysis, researching, rehearsing actors, and planning with crew members. The class will include guest speakers (professional actors, cinematographers, production designers, editors, and producers) who will discuss the process of pre-production and the importance of teamwork and communication.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Nancy Savoca as the John H. Mitchell Visiting Professor in Media Entertainment, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

RECOMMENDED BY: 
Anne Curzan, Dean 
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of English Language and Literature, Linguistics, and Education 
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor 
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts 

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY: 
Susan M. Collins 
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs 

March 2022
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Transfer of Tenure for a Faculty Member

NAME: Isis H. Settles

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Psychology, with tenure, Professor of Afroamerican and African Studies, with tenure, and Professor of Women’s and Gender Studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Professor of Psychology, with tenure, Professor of Afroamerican and African Studies, without tenure, and Professor of Women’s and Gender Studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 29, 2022

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Psychology and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and with the endorsement of the Department of Afroamerican and African Studies and the Department of Women’s and Gender Studies, we are pleased to recommend the transfer of tenure for Isis H. Settles from professor of psychology, with tenure, professor of Afroamerican and African studies, with tenure, and professor of women’s and gender studies, without tenure, to professor of psychology, with tenure, professor of Afroamerican and African studies, without tenure, and professor of women’s and gender studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022.

Isis H. Settles received her Bachelor of Arts from Harvard University in 1993. She attended the University of Michigan where she completed her Master of Arts in 1997 and her doctorate in 2001. Professor Settles began her instructional career as an assistant professor at Michigan State University in 2001 and was promoted through the ranks to professor in 2016. Professor Settles joined the Michigan faculty as a professor, with tenure, in 2016.

Professor Settles’ research focuses on two related processes: the experiences, perceptions, and consequences of unfair treatment directed at devalued social group members, and protective factors and coping strategies used by members of these devalued social groups to counteract experiences of mistreatment. She is currently working on two major research projects to examine the experiences of faculty of color in academia and the role of diversity in interdisciplinary team dynamics. She has published extensively in a number of journals including Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology, the Psychology of Women Quarterly, and Sex Roles. She has also contributed chapters to several handbooks including the Oxford Handbook of Multicultural Identity; Meaning-Making, Internalized Racism, and African American Identity; and the Handbook of the Psychology of Women. Professor Settles is a fellow of the Society for the
Psychology of Women and the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues. She has received several awards including the 2014 Excellence in Diversity Award from Michigan State University and the 2006 Carolyn Payton Early Career Award from the American Psychological Association for her research on Black women. Her research has been funded by the National Institute of Mental Health and the National Science Foundation. Professor Settles is also currently the PI of two large NSF-funded grants.

Professor Settles has taught undergraduate and graduate courses on issues related to the psychology of women, basic theories of personality, social identities, and gender differences and similarities, to name a few. Retaining an additional appointment in the Department of Afroamerican and African Studies will allow her to continue to engage with the department and maintain the cross-listing of her course, “Psychology of the Black Experience.” Professor Settles serves as mentor and advisor to many graduate students in addition to a post-doctoral scholar.

Professor Settles’s service record is extensive. She has served on numerous committees within both departments, most recently serving on the diversity committee within the Department of Psychology. She currently serves on the STRIDE committee (2018-present), RISE committee (2020-present), and as the associate director of ADVANCE (2019-present). Professionally, Professor Settles is affiliated with the American Psychological Association, the Association for Psychological Science, and the Association for Women in Psychology, and serves as reviewer for top journals in the field.

We are very pleased to recommend the transfer of tenure for Isis H. Settles from professor of psychology, with tenure, professor of Afroamerican and African studies, with tenure, and professor of women’s and gender studies, without tenure, to professor of psychology, with tenure, professor of Afroamerican and African studies, without tenure, and professor of women’s and gender studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 29, 2022.

Recommended by:  

Anne Curzan, Dean  
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of English Language and Literatures, Linguistics, and Education  
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Recommendation endorsed by:  

Susan M. Collins  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2022