ANN ARBOR CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval

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

   (1) Braley, Tiffany J., M.D., M.S., associate professor of neurology, with tenure, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

   (2) Liu, Yufeng, professor of statistics, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 25, 2025.

   (3) Shanbhag, Uday V., professor of industrial and operations engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 26, 2024.

2. Reappointments of regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff.

   (1) Anthony, Denise L., Rubin Department Chair of Health Management and Policy, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025 (also professor of health management and policy, with tenure, School of Public Health, professor of sociology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and professor of information, without tenure, School of Information).

   (2) Hafez, Khaled S., M.B.B.Ch., Ph.D., Valassis Professor of Urologic Oncology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2029 (also clinical professor, Department of Urology).

   (3) Lisabeth, Lynda D., senior associate dean for faculty affairs, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2026 (also professor of epidemiology, with tenure).

   (4) Needham, Belinda, chair, Department of Epidemiology, School of Public Health, effective August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025 (also John G. Searle Professor of Public Health, and associate professor of epidemiology, with tenure).

   (5) Stefanopoulou, Anna G., William Clay Ford Professor of Technology, College of Engineering, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029 (also professor of mechanical engineering, with tenure, and professor of electrical engineering and computer Science, without tenure).

   (6) Thün, Geoffrey, associate vice president for research–social sciences, humanities and the arts, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2029 (also professor of architecture, with tenure, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning).
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3. Joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff.

(1) Bonar, Erin, Ph.D., Kathy Fant Brzoznowski Research Professor of Behavioral Health Technology Innovations, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of psychiatry, with tenure).

(2) Cai, Dawen, Ph.D., Crosby-Kahn Collegiate Professor of Cell and Developmental Biology, Medical School, effective July 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028 (also associate professor of cell and developmental biology, with tenure, Medical School, and associate professor of biophysics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts).

(3) Desai, Gaurav G., Frederick G. L. Huetwell Professor, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2029 (also chair, Department of English Language and Literature, and professor of English language and literature, with tenure).

(4) Garner, Jennifer A., John G. Searle Assistant Professor of Nutritional Sciences, School of Public Health, effective March 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026 (also assistant professor of nutritional sciences).

(5) Hawkins, Jaclynn M., Ph.D., M.S.W., associate professor of learning health sciences, without tenure, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 (also associate professor of social work, with tenure).

(6) Herrenkohl, Leslie Rupert, Annemarie Sullivan Palincsar Endowed Professor of the Learning Sciences, Marsal Family School of Education, effective March 1, 2024 through February 28, 2029 (also professor of education, with tenure).

(7) Ivy, Julie Simmons, Vivian L. Carpenter Collegiate Professor of Industrial and Operations Engineering, College of Engineering, effective March 1, 2024 through February 28, 2029 (also chair, Department of Industrial and Operations Engineering, and professor of industrial and operations engineering, with tenure).

(8) Liang, Tian, the Robert W. Browne Early Career Professor of Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry, effective March 1, 2024 through February 28, 2027 (also assistant professor of dentistry).

(9) Mashour, George A., M.D., Ph.D., senior associate dean for faculty and faculty development, Medical School, effective May 1, 2024 (also professor of anesthesiology, with tenure, professor of neurosurgery, without tenure, and professor of pharmacology, without tenure).
3. Joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff.

(10) Maust, Donovan T., M.D., M.S., Willard C. Blackney Jr. and Geraldine LaTendresse Blackney Research Professor of Geriatric Psychiatry, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028 (also associate professor of psychiatry, with tenure).

(11) Meyer, Michael R., chair, Department of Astronomy, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029 (also professor of astronomy, with tenure, and professor of physics, without tenure).

(12) Mian, Shahzad I., M.D., chair, Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, effective March 1, 2024, and as the F. Bruce Fralick Professor of Ophthalmology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024, through June 30, 2029 (also professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences, with tenure).

(13) Omenn, Gilbert S., M.D., professor of environmental health sciences, without tenure, School of Public Health, effective January 1, 2024 (also Harold T. Shapiro Distinguished University Professor, professor of computational medicine and bioinformatics, with tenure, professor of internal medicine, without tenure, and professor of human genetics, without tenure, Medical School).

(14) Owen-Smith, Jason D., associate vice president for research-institutional capabilities and research intelligence, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective March 1, 2024 (also professor of sociology, with tenure, professor of organizational studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and professor of public policy, without tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy).

(15) Reich, Peter B., Filibert Roth Collegiate Professor of Environment and Sustainability, School for Environment and Sustainability, effective April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2029 (also professor of environment and sustainability, with tenure).

(16) Rosenzweig, Anthony, M.D., Stanley and Judith Frankel Professor of Heart and Brain Health, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of internal medicine, with tenure, and professor of pharmacology, without 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.

(17) Walton, Maureen A., Ph.D., M.P.H., Toby Brzoznowski Research Professor of Behavioral Health Technology Innovations, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of psychiatry, with tenure).

(18) Watkins, Daphne C., Letha A. Chadiha Collegiate Professor of Social Work, School of Social Work, effective April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2029 (also University Diversity and Social Transformation Professor, and professor of social work, with tenure).

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

(1) Establishment of a research professorship as the Reed Dunnick Research Professorship in Radiology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

(2) Establishment of an endowed professorship as the Albert D. Early Professorship in Tax Law, Law School, effective March 1, 2024.

(3) Establishment of a research professorship as the Daniel R. Goldstein, M.D. Research Professorship, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

(4) Establishment of two endowed professorships as the John D. MacArthur Professorship, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective March 1, 2024.

(5) Change in name of an existing collegiate professorship as the William Martel Legacy Professorship in Radiology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 (currently the William Martel Collegiate Professorship in Radiology).

(6) Establishment of a research professorship as the William Martel Research Professorship in Radiology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

(7) Correction of the name of an existing research professorship as the Betty Spurway Nixon Leukemia Research Professorship, Medical School, effective February 1, 2024 (currently the Betty Spurway Nixon Leukemia Research Professorship).
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4. Establishing and renaming professorships and selected academic and administrative positions.

(8) Establishment of an endowed professorship as the Pris Rogers Professorship in Strategic Communications, Department of Communication and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective March 1, 2024.

(9) Establishment of an endowed professorship as the Tishman Professorship in Environmental Justice, School for Environment and Sustainability, effective April 1, 2024.

(10) Change in name of an existing collegiate professorship as the Galen B. Toews, M.D. Legacy Professorship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 (currently the Galen B. Toews, M.D. Collegiate Professorship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine).

(11) Establishment of a research professorship as the Rachel Upjohn Research Professorship in Depression, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

(12) Establishment of a research professorship as the Rachel Upjohn Research Professorship in Psychiatry, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

5. 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 29, 2024 through May 15, 2024.

(2) Beehner, Jacinta C., transfer of tenure as professor of psychology, with tenure, and professor of anthropology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 26, 2024 (currently professor of psychology, with tenure, and professor of anthropology, with tenure).

(3) Day, Michele M., chair, Naval Officer Education Program, effective August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2027.

(4) Kinsey, Jon, vice president and secretary of the university, effective May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2029.
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6. Other personnel transactions for regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff.

(1) Transfer of faculty appointments and tenure in the College of Business, effective July 1, 2024:
From the Department of Management Studies to the Department of Management and Marketing:
Aaron C. Ahuvia, to professor of management studies, with tenure
Frederic Brunel, to dean, College of Business, and professor of marketing, with tenure
Elif Izberk-Bilgin, to associate professor of management studies, with tenure Jung Hyun Lee, to associate professor of organizational behavior, with tenure Janice C. Molloy, to associate professor of human resources and organizational behavior, with tenure Crystal J. Scott, to associate professor of marketing, with tenure Karen S. Strandholm, to associate professor of strategic management, with tenure
From the Department of Management Studies to the Department of Information and Operations Management:
Charu Chandra, to professor of operations management, with tenure Yi-Su Chen, to associate professor of management studies, with tenure Lee A. Freeman, to associate professor of information systems management, with tenure Yi Guo, to associate professor of management studies, with tenure Jun He, to associate professor of information systems management, with tenure Barbara D. Klein, to professor of management information systems, with tenure Zhixin J. Liu, to professor of decision sciences, with tenure Young K. Ro, to professor of management studies, with tenure Hung-Chung Su, to associate professor of management studies, with tenure

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

(1) Blume, Brian D., Hagerman Professor of Entrepreneurship and Innovation, School of Management, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026 (also professor of organizational behavior/human resources, with tenure).

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

Recommendations for approval of new appointments and promotions for regular associate and full professor ranks, with tenure
ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval

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

TITLE: Associate Professor of Neurology, Medical School

TENURE STATUS: With Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2024

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 associate professor of neurology, with tenure, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

Academic Degrees:
Tiffany Braley received her M.D. in 2004 from Wayne State University School of Medicine, Detroit, MI, and her M.S. in 2011 from the University of Michigan School of Public Health, Ann Arbor, MI.

Professional Record:
In 2008, Dr. Braley was appointed as a clinical lecturer in the Department of neurology, and in 2011, was appointed as a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Neurology. In 2018, she was promoted to clinical associate professor at the University of Michigan.

Summary of Evaluation:
Dr. Braley’s research focuses on the intersection between sleep, neuroimmunology, and neurologic disorders, with an emphasis on sleep-based methods to improve neurological outcomes in people with multiple sclerosis and other neurological conditions. She has examined the prevalence and risk factors for sleep disorders in Multiple Sclerosis (MS) and has conducted clinical trials to treat symptoms. She is very well funded with current funding as a multi-principal/principal investigator totaling more than $6M. Current funding includes a multi-principal investigator (contact PI) on two National Institutes of Health (NIH) R01’s where she wrote the proposal, designed the study, and provided study oversight, data interpretation, and dissemination of findings. She is the principal investigator on a Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) grant, the principal investigator for a pharma-sponsored clinical trial, and co-investigator on an additional R01. Previous funding sources include the NIH, PCORI, MICHRI, and several foundations. Her work is innovative, with two active patents. She has published 49 peer-reviewed manuscripts in top-tier journals such as the Journal of Sleep Medicine, PLoS One, and Neurology. She has been invited to present her work on 12 occasions nationally and internationally including in the United Kingdom and Spain. Her research has been recognized by several awards including a Publication of Distinction from Lancet Neurology as the “Most Impactful Clinical Studies in Sleep Research
in 2021,” and the Sleep Science Award from the American Academy of Neurology. In 2022, she was appointed as the Holton-Garrett Family Professor of Neurology.

Dr. Braley has an excellent service record institutionally and nationally. Institutionally, she is the director of the Division of Multiple Sclerosis and Neuroimmunology in the Department of Neurology. In 2018, she created an initiative to enhance partnerships between Michigan Medicine and community animal welfare organizations. She is a member of the Neurology Faculty Recruitment Committee and an interviewer for the Medical School Admissions Committee. She has reviewed for MICHRI seed grants and the Sleep Disorders Center Gilmore Fund. Nationally, she is a member of multiple committees for national organizations, including the National MS Society, the American Academy of Neurology, the Human Animal Support Services (HAAS), and a past member of the Americas Committee for Treatment and Research in MS. She is a standing grant reviewer for the National MS Society grant review and fellowship application committees, reviews draft final research reports for PCORI, and has served on a special emphasis panel for NIH/NCCIH. She is an ad hoc manuscript reviewer for six journals including the *Multiple Sclerosis Journal*, *Sleep*, and *Neurology (Green Journal)*. She has reviewed abstracts for multiple national annual meetings, including the American Academy of Neurology. Internationally, she has served as an ad hoc scientific reviewer for MS Research Australia.

**Recent and Significant publications:**


Dunietz GL, Chervin RD, MD, Burke JF, Conceicao AS, and Braley TJ, “Obstructive Sleep Apnea Treatment and Dementia Risk in Older Adults,” *Sleep*. 2021; Sep13;44(9):zsab076. doi: 10.1093/sleep/zsab076. PMC8436135


Dr. Braley has an extensive teaching portfolio that includes didactic teaching and as a clinical and research mentor for learners at all levels. Learners include residents, clinical fellows, post-doctoral fellows, medical students, graduate students, and undergraduate students. She is also the mentor for a fellow who has a grant from the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Her teaching evaluations are very good to excellent, and letters from past mentees were provided and comment on the outstanding quality of her mentorship. Since 2014, she has been director of the Multiple Sclerosis/Clinical Neuroimmunology Fellowship Program. In July 2023, she became the associate director of the Neurology R25 UM Clinical Neuroscientist Training Program. She is a preceptor for multiple Medical School and resident rotations. She teaches in the neurology biennial faculty review course and has given numerous grand rounds presentations at the University of Michigan.
She was the co-chair and co-founder of the “Old Dogs New Tricks” Review CME Course Curriculum from 2016-2020.

**External Reviewers:**

Reviewer A: “Dr. Braley has been remarkably productive as a clinical researcher. She currently has 7 funded grants with a mix of NIH, Foundation, and industry sponsorship. This includes 2 R01’s and 1 PCORI funded project. She has a demonstrated consistent record of funding since 2008. Her work has lead to her recognition nationally with an emerging international reputation, noted by a recent award by Lancet Neurology (2021) as the top 10, ‘Most impactful Clinical Studies in Sleep Research.’ Nationally she is a recognized and sought speaker for her research. She has served as a grant reviewer for several programs, including the NIH and both the US and Australia National MS Societies.”

Reviewer B: “No other researcher has contributed as much to our understanding of sleep disorders among patients with MS than Dr. Braley. She was the first to report on the link between MS lesions and sleep disordered breathing. In addition, she has demonstrated that MS fatigue is often secondary to unrecognized OSA. Most recently, using longitudinal data from the Nurses Health Study she has helped clarify the pathway between sleep disorders and cognitive dysfunction among women with MS… Evidence for her impact includes her numerous publications and her success in applying for competitive grant awards.”

Reviewer C: “She mentors medical students, residents, and MS fellows and directs the fellowship program. She gives several invited scientific talks per year. Tiffany Braley is outstanding regarding clinical paper output and funding.”

Reviewer D: “I would evaluate her as outstanding and as an asset to any academic neurology department. There is a creativity and breadth to the ideas and funding sources which suggest she will continue to be successful…Dr. Braley has achieved national recognition; has strong independent research funding from federal and other diverse sources; she is involved and has leadership roles in the relevant professional societies; she has a steady, productive, and high-quality publication record; and she has been sought out as a lecturer on a national level. She also contributes to the educational mission through extensive mentorship and the clinical mission by directing her division…”

Reviewer E: “Dr. Braley’s publication record, research funding, and reputation as reflected in her invited lectures mainly on a local to national level put her in the top 25% of her peers in academia. She is establishing [an] international presence and already has very strong institutional leadership roles as fellowship director and director of the MS Center. I have no doubt she will continue to grow in her national presence.”

Reviewer F: “Dr. Braley is highly regarded nationally as an expert in multiple sclerosis (MS) and related disorders… She has since become ‘the expert’ on this topic, both nationally and internationally. Recently, the rigor and quality of her research were awarded by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society (NMSS) and the scientific journal The Lancet.”
Summary:
Dr. Braley is an exceptional researcher with a national reputation and a growing international presence in the field of multiple sclerosis. She has an impressive record of grant funding, is an active and highly valued teacher, a respected and productive scientist, and a strong institutional citizen. Therefore, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Tiffany J. Braley, M.D., M.S. as associate professor of neurology, with tenure, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

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

Recommendation endorsed by: Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Statistics and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Yufeng Liu as professor of statistics, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 25, 2025.

Academic Degrees:
Yufeng Liu received his B.S. from Nankai University in 1999. He then attended The Ohio State University where he earned his M.S. in 2001 and his Ph.D. in 2004.

Professional Record:
He began his instructional career as an assistant professor at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2004. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2009, and to professor in 2013.

Summary of Evaluation:
Teaching: Professor Liu has an excellent teaching record, with consistently high student evaluations. He has been teaching both undergraduate and graduate statistical machine learning courses in recent years which closely match with the most popular courses in the department. Professor Liu’s expertise and teaching experience dovetails with the department’s teaching priorities and the recent exponential growth in statistics and data science majors, minors, and master’s programs. He also has an outstanding advising record, having graduated twenty-four Ph.D. students—fifteen of whom received prestigious student paper awards—and serving on a vast number of Ph.D. committees. His mentoring has also extended to working with North Carolina high school teachers on curriculum development, and he has established a collaboration with a HBCU to promote student research there.
Research: Professor Liu has made many foundational contributions in statistical machine learning, including classification and clustering, multiple response prediction, graphical models, and reinforcement learning. The themes of his work focus on challenging modern issues, such as big data, model misspecifications, complex treatments, and valid statistical inference. He is highly engaged in applications and has made impactful contributions to genomics, neuroscience, and precision medicine. His research on individual treatment regimens enables greater parity in healthcare by allowing treatment to be targeted not just to the average or the majority group, but to individual patients. Professor Liu’s work appears in both top statistics and machine learning venues such as the Journal of the American Statistical Association, Annals of Statistics, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, and NeurIPS, as well as in top scientific journals such as Nature, Nucleic Acids Research, and Neuroimage. Professor Liu is incredibly productive, with approximately 140 publications in journals and competitive refereed conference proceedings, and he is very well funded, with a long track record of large NSF and NIH grants. Notably, he has served as a PI on an NIH R01 grant more than once and received the 2008 NSF CAREER award. In recognition of his high reputation and scholarly achievements, he has been elected a fellow of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics (IMS) and the American Statistical Association (ASA).

Recent and Significant Publications:

Service: Professor Liu has an outstanding record of editorial work, grant reviews, conference organizing, and extensive committee service and leadership. He has chaired several important department committees, including faculty search and tenure review committees, and served as the director of graduate admissions (2023-2024). Professor Liu is an area editor for The Annals of Applied Statistics, associate editor for the Journal of the American Statistical Association, associate editor of The New England Journal of Statistics in Data Science, editor of STAT, and associate editor of the Journal of Multivariate Analysis. He has served as a grant review panelist for both the NIH and NSF numerous times and has been active in the ASA, IMS, International Statistical Institute, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

External Reviewers:
Reviewer A: “[Professor Liu] will bring to your faculty an outstanding record of contributions to science through ground-breaking statistical methodological research; extensive editorial service; and mentoring of the next generation.”
Reviewer B: “Based on his record and scholarly achievements, Dr. Liu is clearly in the top tier of his peers in the areas he works on, which are increasingly popular and growing in importance.”

Reviewer C: “Dr. Liu stands as a prominent expert in the fields of machine learning and data science… Driven by a keen interest in cross-disciplinary research, he is poised to continue excelling and emerging as an international leader in his respective fields.”

Reviewer D: “The breadth of Professor Liu’s research is impressive… His research is high quality and involves a mixture of theory and methodology.”

Reviewer E: “Yufeng Liu is one of the leading researchers in statistical machine learning and its applications… Liu is emerging as one of the most important contributors in [precision medicine].”

Reviewer F: “…Dr. Liu is an internationally recognized leading figure in statistics and belongs to the very top tier in his age cohort.”

Summary of Recommendations:
Professor Liu is an outstanding, world-class statistician of rare productivity and breadth, who has made great contributions to core theory, methodology, and applications. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Yufeng Liu as professor of statistics, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 25, 2025.

RECOMMENDED BY: RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Anne Curzan, Dean Laurie K. McCauley
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of Provost and Executive Vice
English Language and Literature, Linguistics, and Education President for Academic Affairs
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

March 2024
On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Uday V. Shanbhag as professor of industrial and operations engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 26, 2024.

ACADEMIC DEGREES

Professor Shanbhag received his B.Tech (1993) in aerospace engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, an S.M. in operations research and another S.M. in technology and policy program (both in 1998) from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He received his Ph.D. (2006) in management science and engineering from Stanford University.

PROFESSIONAL RECORD

Following graduation, Professor Shanbhag was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2012. He joined the Pennsylvania State University in 2012 as an associate professor and was promoted to professor in 2016. He was awarded a chaired professorship in 2017.

SUMMARY OF EVALUATION

Professor Shanbhag’s research interests lie in the development of analytical tools and scalable computational schemes for optimization and equilibrium problems, with a focus on addressing uncertainty, non-smoothness and nonconvexity. Much of his research finds application in the realm of power systems and markets, where he has examined a range of questions, including the examination of strategic interactions in multi-settlement markets under uncertainty, the location of electrical substations and dynamic competitive equilibrium models. More recently, he has begun working on a broad class of nonconvex and stochastic statistical learning problems.
Professor Shanbhag has a strong publication record. His publications appear in high-quality journals such as *Mathematics of Operations Research*, *SIAM Journal of Optimization*, *INFORMS Journal on Computing*, and *Mathematical Programming*. His CV lists several refereed conference proceedings and nearly 50 invited colloquia and plenary talks. He has served as the PI or co-PI on 17 federal grants, and an additional five from industry and internal sources. He is supported by grants from the DoE, AFOSR, and ONR, and has received eight NSF awards.

Professor Shanbhag has an established record of significant service contributions. He is active in societies in his area such as the Institute for Operations and Management Science (INFORMS), the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM), and the Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers (IISE). He is an associate editor for *SIAM Journal on Optimization*, *Optimization Letters*, and *Computational Optimization and Applications*. Within INFORMS, he has held organizing roles for international conferences and served as a member of prize committees.

**PUBLICATIONS**


**EXCERPTS FROM EXTERNAL REVIEWS**

REVIEWER A: “Uday is a leader in the field of optimization, and his peer cohort leader in stochastic variational inequalities. Any top university would be happy to have him as a faculty member—I know for a fact that [my institution] would.”

REVIEWER B: “He occupies a niche area of expertise that is needed in every industrial, systems, and operations engineering department. He is already a leader in our field; most importantly, with him on board, he will instantly bring increased recognition, prestige, and excitement to your institution.”
REVIEWER C: “...Uday is a highly visible and respected member of the international mathematical programming and information engineering communities, with a lot to offer in addition to a strong pipeline of research destined for top journals.”

REVIEWER D: “Apart from his exceptional research achievements, Dr[.] Shanbhag is an outstanding teacher and mentor, having successfully supervised over 14 PhD students, many of whom secured excellent positions in academia and industry.”

REVIEWER E: “Uday impressed me greatly with the breadth of his knowledge and the depth of his focus. Now, he is widely recognized as a leader in the field. His records are truly impressive. He has published 58 refereed journal papers, most of which appeared in top-tier journals, in addition to over 50 other forms of publications. He is a prolific author. At the same time, the impact of his works is deep and strong.”

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATION

Professor Shanbhag has a proven record of research excellence and a strong record of collegial interactions with peers. We are presented with a unique opportunity to hire a truly outstanding candidate whose research is in areas of strategic importance to the Department of Industrial and Operations Engineering. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Uday V. Shanbhag as professor of industrial and operations engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 26, 2024.

RECOMMENDED BY:  
Steven L. Ceccio, Ph.D.  
Interim Dean  
Vincent T. and Gloria M. Gorguze Professor of Engineering  
College of Engineering

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  
Laurie K. McCauley  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
Recommendations for approval of reappointments

of regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff
I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Denise L. Anthony as the Rubin Department Chair of Health Management and Policy, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025.

Denise Anthony earned her Bachelor of Arts at Indiana University of Pennsylvania in 1990 and her doctorate from the University of Connecticut in 1997. Prior to her arrival at the University of Michigan, she served in increasingly impactful positions at Dartmouth, including chair of sociology and vice provost for academic initiatives. Professor Anthony’s work focuses on how social dynamics of cooperation, trust, and privacy shape behavior related to information technologies and the implications for data produced and shared via those technologies. Professor Anthony was appointed as the chair of the Department of Health Management and Policy in 2021, and during her time in that role, she has led a renewed focus on the student experience, launched a strategic planning process, and ensured that the department continues its longstanding ranking among the top health management and policy programs. In addition, Professor Anthony has seized on the department’s exceptional alumni base to generate new opportunities for students and increase overall philanthropic giving.
I am very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Denise L. Anthony as Rubin Department Chair of Health Management and Policy, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025.

Recommended by:

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

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

Andrea Forte
Dean, School of Information

March 2024
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Khaled S. Hafez, M.B.B.Ch., Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Valassis Professor of Urologic Oncology, and Clinical Professor, Department of Urology, Medical School

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Valassis Professor of Urologic Oncology, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2029

On the recommendation of Ganesh S. Palapattu, M.D., the George F. and Sandy G. Valassis Professor and chair of the Department of Urology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Khaled S. Hafez, M.B.B.Ch., Ph.D. as the Valassis Professor of Urologic Oncology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2029.

The Valassis Professorship in Urologic Oncology was established in February 1996 through a trust created by George F. and Nancy P. Valassis. Mr. Valassis was a 1952 graduate of the University of Michigan School of Business. He had a strong interest in the area of urologic cancer research, treatment, and diagnosis and desired to support the university’s efforts and research programs in this area. The appointment period is five years and may be renewed.

Dr. Hafez joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2004 as a clinical assistant professor and rose through the ranks to a clinical professor in 2014. He is the associate chair for education for the Department of Urology. In this role, he has co-developed a unique open surgical curriculum, and mentored junior faculty. Dr. Hafez has engaged in global outreach through five medical missions in the past five years to Uzbekistan and Egypt. These trips have saved many lives, as well as enhanced the learning experience for senior residents. His research focuses on advanced kidney cancer. Dr. Hafez collaborates with other specialties to better define perioperative care in complex and challenging cases while studying the surgical management of kidney tumors with extension to the vena cava.

Dr. Hafez has been very productive with 59 peer-reviewed articles and 122 non-peer reviewed articles to his credit, as well as 10 book chapters. His success is evident through receipt of the Gold Humanism Honor Society Faculty Award in 2018 and the Julian Wan Award for Excellence in Resident Mentorship in 2017 and 2019. I am very pleased, therefore, to recommend the
reappointment of Khaled S. Hafez, M.B.B.Ch., Ph.D. as the Valassis Professor of Urologic Oncology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2029.

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

Recommendation endorsed by: Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Lynda D. Lisabeth as senior associate dean for faculty affairs, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2026.

Lynda Lisabeth received her B.S., M.P.H., and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Michigan in 1995, 1997, and 2003, respectively. She joined the Department of Neurology as a research investigator in 2003, was promoted to research assistant professor in 2005, to research associate professor in 2011, and to research professor in 2015. In 2006, she was appointed as an assistant professor of epidemiology in the School of Public Health. She was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2010, and to professor in 2015. She served as the interim chair of the Department of Epidemiology from 2014 to 2015. She was appointed as the senior associate dean for faculty affairs in July 2018.

Professor Lisabeth studies the epidemiology of stroke in the United States with a focus on stroke health disparities in the Mexican American population. She conducts population-based stroke surveillance in a bi-ethnic community in south Texas, where data collection has been ongoing since 2000. Professor Lisabeth has been involved in strategic planning efforts for the National Institute for Neurologic Disorders and Stroke surrounding the advancement of stroke research and the elimination of stroke disparities. She has also participated in numerous activities for the American Heart Association (AHA) including chairing the Statistics Committee for the AHA Heart and Stroke Statistics Update and serving as an invited author for the AHA statement on the Factors Influencing to Decline in Stroke Mortality and the AHA Guidelines for the Primary Prevention of Stroke in Women. She has an outstanding publication record as well as a consistent and sustained history of grant funding.

Professor Lisabeth is an innovative teacher and her courses consistently receive excellent evaluations. She is also a dedicated mentor to her 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.
Under her leadership, Professor Lisabeth has made progress on many critical fronts, including launching a $2 million faculty salary market adjustment program and hiring the school’s largest cohort of faculty with 19 tenure track hires in the past year. Her dedication to fostering a supportive and mentoring environment is felt across the entire school. She has set a dynamic tone for the future and we look forward to working with her going forward.

Professor Lisabeth is an outstanding faculty member, leader, and colleague. I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Lynda D. Lisabeth as senior associate dean for faculty affairs, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2026.

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  
Laurie K. McCauley  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Academic Administrative Appointment

NAME: Belinda Needham

CURRENT TITLES: Chair, Department of Epidemiology, John G. Searle Professor of Public Health, and Associate Professor of Epidemiology, with tenure, School Public Health

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Chair, Department of Epidemiology, School of Public Health

EFFECTIVE DATES: August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Belinda Needham as chair, Department of Epidemiology, School of Public Health, effective August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025.

Belinda L. Needham received a B.S. in sociology from Texas A&M University in 1999. She received a M.A. in 2002, and a Ph.D. in 2006, both in Sociology and from the University of Texas at Austin.

Professor Needham served as an assistant professor in the Department of Sociology, University of Alabama at Birmingham from 2008-2012. She joined the University of Michigan School of Public Health faculty in 2012 as a research assistant professor, was promoted to assistant professor in 2014, and to associate professor, with tenure, in 2019.

Professor Needham was appointed as the chair of the Department of Epidemiology in September 2021 and hit the ground running. As the chair, Professor Needham’s confidence, steady leadership, and empathy have allowed her to lead a department that carried a significant burden of effort and responsibility during the worst days of the pandemic. Despite this, she has kept the morale of the epidemiology department high, and I have been impressed with her achievements which have included a focus on strategic planning, policy review and revision, and student success initiatives.

I am very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Belinda Needham as chair, Department of Epidemiology, School of Public Health, effective August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025.

Recommended by: Recommendation endorsed by:

F. DuBois Bowman, Ph.D. Laurie K. McCauley
Dean, School of Public Health Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Anna G. Stefanopoulou as the William Clay Ford Professor of Technology, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029.

This professorship was originally established as the William Clay Ford Professorship in Product Manufacturing in October 1989 by a grant from the Ford Motor Company to provide funds for research and educational initiatives in expanding the presence of manufacturing-related research and course work in business and engineering. It was renamed in November 1995 as the William Clay Ford Professorship in Manufacturing. This professorship was renamed again in June 2019 to the William Clay Ford Professorship in Technology to reflect Ford Motor Company’s research interests at the College of Engineering are broader than manufacturing. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Anna Stefanopoulou received a Diploma in naval architecture and marine engineering from the National Technical University of Athens in 1991. She received M.S. degrees in naval architecture and marine engineering, and electrical engineering and computer science from the University of Michigan in 1992 and 1994, respectively. She remained at the University of Michigan to earn her Ph.D. in electrical engineering and computer science in 1996. Between 1995 and 1997, Professor Stefanopoulou served as a technical specialist for the Ford Motor Company. She was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of California, Santa Barbara in 1998. She joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an associate professor in 2000 and was promoted to professor in 2006. She served as the director of the Automotive Research Center from 2009 to 2018 and the director of the University of Michigan Energy Institute from 2018 until its termination in 2021.

Professor Stefanopoulou is a fellow of the ASME (2007), the IEEE (2009), and the SAE (2018). She was an elected member of the executive committee of the ASME Dynamics Systems and
Control Division (DSCD) and the board of governors of the IEEE Control Systems Society (CSS). She is the founding chair of the ASME DSCD Energy Systems Technical Committee and the past chair of the Transportation Committee in ASME DSCD, member of the SAE Dynamic System Modeling Standards Committee and served as an associate editor of journals and member of multiple award committees in the IEEE and ASME societies. She was a member of the 2016 National Research Council (NRC) committee on fuel-efficient technologies and their cost-effectiveness in meeting the 2025 US national vehicle fuel economy standards. She also was a member of the 2020 NRC committee on the fuel economy standards “Beyond-2025.” In 2022, she was appointed by the U.S. Department of Energy as one of the three academic members of the Li-Bridge committee that brought together the leading U.S. experts in lithium battery technology to develop a strategy for establishing a robust and sustainable supply chain for lithium battery technology in North America.

Within the last few years, Professor Stefanopoulou has been recognized with several internal and external awards. These include a 2018 Rackham Distinguished Graduate Mentor Award, the 2018 College of Engineering Vulcans Educational Excellence Award, the 2019 American Automatic Control Council Control Engineering Practice Award, the 2018 ASME Charles Stark Draper Innovative Practice Award, and the 2016 IEEE Control System Society Control System Technology Award.

Professor Stefanopoulou’s academic achievements fully merit her reappointment. I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Anna G. Stefanopoulou as the William Clay Ford Professor of Technology, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029.

RECOMMENDED BY:  

Steven L. Ceccio, Ph.D.  
Interim Dean  
Vincent T. and Gloria M. Gorguze Professor of Engineering  
College of Engineering  

March 2024  

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  

Laurie K. McCauley  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
The Office of the Vice President for Research is pleased to recommend the reappointment of Geoffrey Thün as associate vice president for research–social sciences, humanities and the arts, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2029.

Geoffrey Thün earned a B.A. from the University of Western Ontario, a B.S. and Professional B.Arch from the University of Waterloo, and an Post-Professional M.UD from the University of Toronto. He served as an adjunct assistant professor at Ryerson University in 2004, joined the University of Waterloo as an adjunct assistant professor later in 2004 and was appointed an assistant professor in 2006. Professor Thün joined the University of Michigan in 2009 as an associate professor of architecture, he was granted tenure in 2014, and was promoted to professor in 2020. His work and research interests span across territories of design research, education and practice in architectural design, environmental design, technology, computation, material innovation, complex systems, and urban design. His academic research has attracted external funding from a wide range of federal and non-federal sponsors.

Professor Thün has been active in administration, serving as the associate vice president for research–social sciences, humanities and the arts since 2021. He served as the senior associate dean (2020-2021) and as associate dean for research and creative practice at A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning from 2014 through 2020. He has also served as the co-director of the Urban Collaboratory, a consortium of internationally recognized researchers and designers from different University of Michigan units who are focused on integrating smart-city technologies with urban design and who collaborate directly with city stakeholders to address targeted challenges that impact the livability of communities. Professor Thün is also founding partner and director of the research-based practice RVTR.
As a member of the Office of the Vice President for Research leadership team, Professor Thün’s primary responsibilities have been to support the research and creative practice efforts of faculty across and at the intersections of social sciences, humanities, and the arts. He also serves as a liaison to schools, colleges, institutes, and centers involved in scholarly and creative activities, provides leadership on task forces, and collaborates with other members of the Office of the Vice President for Research leadership team in fostering interdisciplinary initiatives. In addition, he provides support for several units and programs within the Office of the Vice President for Research including the Institute for Firearm Injury Prevention, the Michigan Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) program, the Research Catalyst and Innovation Program, and a partnership program between the Office of the Vice President for Research and the UM Arts Initiative entitled Arts Research: Incubation and Acceleration (ARIA).

With his strong commitment to research and creative practice along with his demonstrated administrative leadership, Professor Thün has been an invaluable asset to the Office of the Vice President for Research in his role as associate vice president for research–social sciences, humanities and the arts. I am pleased that he has agreed to continue to serve in this capacity and I strongly recommend his reappointment.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Cunningham
Vice President for Research and Innovation

March 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

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Recommendations for approval of joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Research Professorship

NAME: Erin Bonar, Ph.D.

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Kathy Fant Brzoznowski Research Professor of Behavioral Health Technology Innovations, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028

On the recommendation of Gregory W. Dalack, M.D., the Daniel E. Offutt III Professor and chair of the Department of Psychiatry, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Erin Bonar, Ph.D. as the Kathy Fant Brzoznowski Research Professor of Behavioral Health Technology Innovations, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028.

The Kathy Fant Brzoznowski Research Professorship in Behavioral Health Technology Innovations was established in February 2024 and stems from a generous gift from Toby and Kathy Brzoznowski. This professorship honors Kathy Fant Brzoznowski, a passionate and devoted mental health advocate. This professorship will support a faculty member whose research focuses on behavioral health technology innovations. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Erin Bonar received her B.S. in psychology from Northern Kentucky University. She then received both her M.A. and Ph.D. in clinical psychology at Bowling Green State University in 2007 and 2011 respectively. Dr. Bonar then completed a post-doctoral research fellowship in Alcoholism Research at the University of Michigan Addiction Research Center in 2013. Dr. Bonar joined the University of Michigan in 2013 as an assistant professor in the Department of Psychiatry and followed up with an additional appointment as an adjunct assistant professor in the Department of Psychology in the College of Literature, Science and the Arts in 2014. She rose through the ranks to become a professor, with tenure, and adjunct professor in the Department of Psychology in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts in 2023.

Dr. Bonar is widely known and sought after for her expertise in substance use disorders. She has 139 peer-reviewed publications, serves on 1 NIH study section and one specialty journal editorial board. Dr. Bonar is a recipient of several honors and awards including receiving the Top 5% of Reviewers for 2020 for Drug and Alcohol Dependence in 2021. Being extremely successful in garnering funding, Dr. Bonar has been the PI or co-PI on over 35 grants, totaling to over $94 million in total costs. Dr. Bonar’s research has developed innovative, scalable, technology-driven behavioral interventions with the potential to reduce the harmful consequences of cannabis,
alcohol, and opioid use/misuse among adolescents, emerging adults, and adults. Her interventions work aims to reduce the public health burden associated with substance use and related consequences. She extends this work with an additional emphasis on efforts to understand and reduce sexual assault and gender-based violence, often in the setting of substance use, particularly on college campuses. Moreover, during a time of rapid transition to telemedicine due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Bonar led the publication of critical recommendations for telehealth adoption in the field to sustain and expand the treatment of substance use disorders, which was published in *JAMA Psychiatry*. She lists 140 peer reviewed publications, and a number of institutional and national committee service.

Clinically, Dr. Bonar uses motivational interviewing principles to promote therapeutic alliance regardless of how challenging some patients with addiction can be. Her teaching/mentoring roles have been areas in which she has excelled, providing close mentoring to a diverse group of interprofessional learners including those with gender or racial/ethnic minority status. Her research has focused on some of the most vulnerable with substance use issues, including minority, and LGBTQ+ individuals.

Dr. Bonar is a worthy recipient of this professorship, and outstanding, generative, and highly productive faculty member. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Erin Bonar, Ph.D. as the Kathy Fant Brzoznowski Research Professor of Behavioral Health Technology Innovations, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028.

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

Recommendation endorsed by:  
Laurie K. McCauley  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
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ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Dawen Cai, Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Associate Professor of Cell and Developmental Biology, with tenure, Medical School, and Associate Professor of Biophysics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Crosby-Kahn Collegiate Professor of Cell and Developmental Biology, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: July 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028

On the recommendation of Pierre A. Coulombe, Ph.D. the G. Carl Huber Professor and chair of the Department of Cell and Developmental Biology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Dawen Cai, Ph.D. as the Crosby-Kahn Collegiate Professor of Cell and Developmental Biology, Medical School, effective July 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028.

The Crosby-Kahn Collegiate Professorship in Cell and Developmental Biology was established May 2008 through support from the Crosby-Kahn Collegiate Professorship Fund which was established in 1994. Drs. Crosby and Kahn are remembered fondly by those who trained in neurosurgery and in anatomy at the University of Michigan. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Dawen Cai completed his Ph.D. in 2007 at the University of Michigan. He then performed postdoctoral research with Dr. Joshua Sanes at Harvard University studying neuronal circuit reconstruction in the mouse central nervous system. In 2013, Dr. Cai became a faculty member at the University of Michigan Medical School as an assistant professor in the Department of Cell and Development Biology (CDB) and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2021. Dr. Cai was recruited for several reasons, a prominent one being that he is a bona fide transdisciplinary scientist with substantial expertise in engineering, computational biology, biophysics, high-end microscopy, neuroscience, and cell biology, all of which he applies to study the development and architecture of the central nervous system. Additionally, Dr. Li holds an additional appointment as an associate professor, without tenure, in the Program in Biophysics in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.

Dr. Cai has emerged as a nationally and internationally recognized leader in the application of very sophisticated technologies to genetically track the development, with single-cell resolution, of an organ as topographically complex as the brain. Dr. Cai has developed and perfected sophisticated genetic trickery to label and trace tens, hundreds, and eventually thousands of individual neurons at a time in the Drosophila and mouse brains. The work from his lab has been published in nearly all of the leading journals of multiple fields, ranging from general biology journals to specialized journals in biotechnology, neuroscience, and engineering. His vita lists 38 peer reviewed publications.
and has received one patent to date, as well as multiple active patent disclosures on the inventions from his laboratory. Dr. Cai has been extremely proficient and strategic at securing external funding for his program, having already secured multiple RF1 awards as the PI. He also is the recipient of traditional research grants from the National Institutes of Health and National Science Foundation.

Besides his research accomplishments, Dr. Cai is an exceptional mentor to his trainees. His trainees have gone on to successful careers in academia and industry. Based on his broad knowledge and gregarious personality, he is widely sought out as a member of thesis committees across multiple departments and programs at UM. Dr. Cai has served on important committees at the university including the Ph.D. admissions committees in both the CDB and Neuroscience graduate programs, the career choice committee in Biophysics, and the Biomedical Research IT committee and the Fast Forward Medical Initiative at the Medical School. Dr. Cai is a standing member of the NIH Brain Initiative review panel and is sought after to speak at national and international conferences on a regular basis.

Dr. Cai is a worthy recipient of this professorship, epitomizes the qualities and values of an educator and researcher, and is a highly respected leader in the field of neuronal circuit reconstruction. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Dawen Cai, Ph.D. as the Crosby-Kahn Collegiate Professor of Cell and Developmental Biology, Medical School, effective July 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028.

Recommended by: 

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

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 2024
On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Gaurav G. Desai as the Frederick G. L. Huetwell Professor, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2029.

As a result of a generous gift from the estate of Frederick G. L. Huetwell, the college was awarded four endowed professorships, which were established in April 1995. A fifth professorship incumbent was established in August 2012, a sixth professorship in May 2021, and a seventh professorship in December 2023. This professorship is used to attract and honor distinguished senior faculty in the social sciences and humanities. Appointments to this professorship are up to five years and may be renewed.

Gaurav Desai received his B.A. from Northwestern University in 1988 and his Ph.D. from Duke University in 1996. He was appointed as an instructor at Duke University (1990-1994) and as an assistant professor at the State University of New York, Albany (1994-1996), before being appointed as an assistant professor at Tulane University in 1996. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2002, and to professor in 2016. Professor Desai joined our faculty as a professor in 2016.

Professor Desai is an accomplished and prolific scholar of postcolonial studies, African and Asian Anglophone literature, and cultural and critical theory. He is a leading authority on the exploration of narratives of migration, diaspora, identity, domination, and resistance. In 2018, he was honored with the Distinguished Achievement Award for Outstanding Scholarship by the South Asian Literary Association in recognition of his ongoing life’s work. In addition to his impressive array of edited volumes, articles, and book chapters, Professor Desai has published two monographs: Subject to Colonialism: African Self-fashioning and the Colonial Library (Duke University Press, 2001) and Commerce with the Universe: Africa, India and the Afrasian Imagination (Columbia University Press, 2013). The latter won the Rene Wellek Prize in 2014 from the American Comparative Literature Association, was featured as a “Book of the Day” by Foreign Affairs, and was a finalist for several other awards. Among his many edited and co-edited volumes is Postcolonialisms: An Anthology of Cultural Theory and Criticism Rutgers (University Press, 2005), which has become a critical resource for the field of postcolonial studies, serving not only as a reference, but as an
introduction to the field and a platform for its further advances. Professor Desai has been the recipient of many of the most prestigious fellowships available to a humanist and, in 2021, he was elected as a senior fellow of the Michigan Society of Fellows.

Professor Desai is a thoughtful and engaging teacher and mentor. He has taught courses at all levels and was honored with an undergraduate teaching award at Tulane University. While his teaching commitments at Michigan have decreased due to the significant administrative service he has undertaken, he continues to co-teach the innovative course English 292: “Headlines, Pitching and How to Build a Skill Set for a Career in Journalism.” In continuing to teach in addition to his administrative work, he models the importance of undergraduate teaching.

Professor Desai has maintained an exemplary service record to the university and his profession. Since 2020, he has served as the chair of the Department of English Language and Literature where he is an ardent advocate for DEI and highly regarded by his faculty for his close attention to detail and his humane leadership. He served as the associate chair of the department from 2016-2020 and has been a member of several university and department committees, including the Diversity Scholars Network, the steering committee for the African Heritage and Humanities Initiative, the executive committees for the Institute for the Humanities and the African Studies Center, and the Senate Academic Affairs Advisory Committee. Professionally, Professor Desai currently serves on the editorial boards of Postcolonial Lives and the Journal of the African Literature Association and on nine advisory boards. He served as the vice president of the African Literature Association from 2021-2022 and as president from 2022-2023.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Gaurav G. Desai as the Frederick G. L. Huetwell Professor, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2029.

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:  
Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Jennifer A. Garner

CURRENT TITLE: Assistant Professor of Nutritional Sciences, School of Public Health

ADDITIONAL TITLE: John G. Searle Assistant Professor of Nutritional Sciences, School of Public Health

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026

With the approval of the Executive Committee of the School of Public Health, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Jennifer A. Garner as John G. Searle Assistant Professor of Nutritional Sciences, School of Public Health, effective March 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026.

The John G. Searle Assistant Professorship in Nutritional Sciences was established in September 2008. Securities to support this professorship were contributed to the university by John G. Searle, then chairman of the Board of G. D. Searle & Co. Appointments to this professorship are for three years and may be renewed.

Jennifer Garner received her B.Sc. in nutrition from Central Michigan University in 2013, a Registered Dietitian (RD) from Cornell University in 2015, and her Ph.D. in nutrition from Cornell University in 2018. Professor Garner was appointed as an assistant professor of food and nutrition policy at The Ohio State University in 2018. She joined the faculty at the University of Michigan Department of Nutritional Sciences in January 2024.

At The Ohio State University (OSU), Professor Garner has shown high levels of service to the college/school and university, in diverse roles including: Doctoral Studies and Graduate Studies Committees, the John Glenn College of Public Affairs Budget and Strategic Planning Committee and as a faculty facilitator for the OSU Inter-professional Education and Practice IPEP Seminar, Health Professions Colleges. She was also exceptionally active in national and regional service roles underscoring her leadership in public health nutrition research. Among these, Professor Garner was the co-chair of the Rural Food Access working Group for the Nutrition and Obesity Policy Evaluation Network (NOPREN), served on advisory Committees for multiple nutrition professional societies, including The Association of State Public Health Nutritionists and The Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior. She also has had multiple leadership roles in the national Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, most recently serving as the chair of the AMD Research Priorities and Strategies Taskforce.

As an assistant professor at OSU, Professor Garner developed and taught two courses that attracted OSU students from numerous disciplines: 1) Mixed Method Approaches for Policy-Related Research (graduate-level), and 2) Food Insecurity, and Food Assistance Programming and Policy in the U.S. (undergrad and grad elective). Both courses elicited overall course evaluation scores of 4.9-5.0 (of 5.0) for all terms. Sub-scores have ranged from 4.5-5.0, consistently exceeding all unit and university
averages. Peer reviews to date (n=3) have been positive, with one experienced colleague noting the “sound pedagogical design” of Professor Garner’s class sessions, “exemplar” teaching practices, and “active engagement” of student learners. Professor Garner also has demonstrated an exceptional commitment to research mentoring via practica and independent studies (11 credits in 2019-2020, 18 credits in 2020-2021, 20 credits in 2021-2022). All research trainees have noteworthy accomplishments, including international conference presentations (n=2), first authorship of abstracts for national conferences (n=8), presentations at national conferences (n=6), first authorship of peer-reviewed manuscripts (n=2), first authorship of manuscripts under review (n=2), and receipt of research and merit-related awards (n=6).

Professor Garner’s teaching and mentoring expertise is directly relevant to the Department of Nutritional Sciences needs and strategic priorities, including mentoring research trainees from the undergraduate to post-doctoral levels and engaging in course-based teaching on mixed methods, domestic food security and food policy and community nutrition. Additionally, Professor Garner is a Ph.D., R.D., providing a strong fit with the department’s newly established Future Education Model (FEM) in dietetics and Master of Science in clinical nutrition (MS-CN).

Professor Garner’s research focus on interventions will add expertise and balance to the department, potentially attract new kinds of students and will strengthen and extend the department’s and SPH’s collaborations across campus and with Michigan public health agencies. Overall, she is well placed to receive independent, external funding with ample grant experience (largely at the co-I and co-PI levels) that includes eight awarded grants and contracts since 2018 (five as the PI, three as a co-I, totaling $4,450,227 in direct funds). Professor Garner has published 20 career peer-review manuscripts (all published in Q1 or Q2 journals, IF: 2.502-12.008), and has six manuscripts under review in top journals (e.g., Food Policy and the American Journal of Public Health).

It is a pleasure to recommend the appointment of Jennifer A. Garner as John G. Searle Assistant Professor of Nutritional Sciences, School of Public Health, effective March 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026.

Recommended by: Recommendation endorsed by:

F. DuBois Bowman, Ph.D. Laurie K. McCauley
Dean, School of Public Health Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
ACTION REQUEST: Joint Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Jaclynn M. Hawkins, Ph.D., M.S.W.

CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of Social Work, with tenure, School of Social Work

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Associate Professor of Learning Health Sciences, without tenure, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2024

On the recommendation of Charles P. Friedman, Ph.D., Josiah Macy, Jr. Professor and chair of the Department of Learning Health Sciences, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, we are pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Jaclynn M. Hawkins, Ph.D., M.S.W. as associate professor of learning health sciences, without tenure, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

Professor Hawkins has a robust teaching portfolio with teaching interests in qualitative research methodology; health policy; introductory research methods; gender and racial/ethnic health disparities; community-based participatory research; and program evaluation, which are topics that are of value to DHLS (especially health equity topics). Her primary teaching activities have been as an instructor in Social Work courses, with 17 lectures given in three University of Michigan courses including courses 687, 400, 683, and 504, and nine lectures given in various Michigan State University courses.

Professor Hawkins’ research interests are focused on health disparities between Black men and non-Hispanic white men; and creating, implementing, and evaluating diabetes health interventions. Her work aligns with the knowledge-to-practice element of the learning health cycle. She has been successful in obtaining funding, with current funding as the principal investigator on a large foundation grant from the American Diabetes Association, an NIH R21, the Research Education Core which is part of the National Institute on Aging (NIA)-sponsored University of Michigan Older Americans Independence Center, co-director of the P30 funded Pilot and Feasibility Grants Program, through the Michigan Center for Diabetes Translational Research. She has authored 34 peer-reviewed manuscripts in top tier journals such as *PLoS One* and the *Journal of Social Work Education*. She has an additional 23 nationally refereed conference presentations.

Professor Hawkins has a strong service record. Nationally, she is currently the communications director for the Behavioral Health and Psychology Interest Group, on the advisory council of WIN ADA for the American Diabetes Association, and a board member of the Michigan Men’s
Health Foundation. She provides ad hoc peer review service for seven journals most of which are nationally prominent and two of which are international including Geriatrics, the International Journal of Aging Research, and the American Journal of Sociology. She is on the editorial board of Social Work Research. She is a member of seven professional organizations focused on the fields of social work, health services, and public health. Institutionally, she served on seven committees for the School of Social Work including their DEI Task Force, Executive Committee, and two search committees. She is also the co-director of the Michigan Center for Diabetes Translational Research (MCDTR) Pilot/Feasibility Program.

This joint appointment will help facilitate Professor Hawkins’ anticipated service role in the DLHS / MICH Implementation Science Network, which is projected to revolve around health equity issues and facilitate guest lecturing on health equity topics in the graduate degree program courses of the Department of Learning Health Sciences. We are pleased, therefore, to recommend the joint appointment of Jaclynn M. Hawkins, Ph.D., M.S.W. as associate professor of learning health sciences, without tenure, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

Recommended by: 

Recommendation endorsed by:

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

Laurie K. McCauley  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Beth Angell  
Dean and Professor of Social Work  
School of Social Work

March 2024
With the approval of the Executive Committee of the Marsal Family School of Education, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Leslie Rupert Herrenkohl as the Annemarie Sullivan Palinscar Endowed Professor of the Learning Sciences, Marsal Family School of Education, for a five-year renewable term, effective March 1, 2024 through February 28, 2029.

The Annemarie Sullivan Palinscar Endowed Professorship in the Learning Sciences was established in February 2024 as a result of University of Michigan alumna Eileen Lappin Weiser’s historic $14.7 million gift to establish The Eileen Lappin Weiser Learning Sciences Center in the Marsal Family School of Education. A stipend funded from the Lappin Weiser gift funds accompanies this professorship. Appointment periods may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Leslie Rupert Herrenkohl received a B.A. in psychology from Lafayette College (1988), a M.A. in developmental psychology (1991) and a Ph.D. in developmental psychology (1995) from Clark University. Professor Herrenkohl joined the University of Michigan Marsal Family School of Education in 2018. She was previously a professor of learning sciences and human development at the University of Washington where she was first appointed as an assistant professor in 1997, and received tenure in 2002.

Professor Herrenkohl is widely recognized as one of the leading learning sciences scholars in the world. She is a developmental psychologist and a learning scientist whose scholarship focuses on the cognitive and social dimensions of learning. She brings a holistic, critical sociocultural approach to examining how people learn concepts, develop practices, and transform their participation in activities that matter to them. Her current research focuses on human learning and pedagogical practice inside and outside of school, particularly in science related learning contexts. As a designer of learning environments, she supports powerful learning that is
conceptually rich, personally meaningful, and culturally relevant and sustaining. She creates learning environments inside and outside of school settings and then studies how people learn within them. Her research has been funded by the National Science Foundation, including her ongoing collaboration, STUDIO: Build Our World—an afterschool STEM program that provides low income, immigrant, and refugee youth opportunities to develop interests, identities, and motivations to pursue further STEM learning. She has presented about the STUDIO model in many venues including the U.S. Department of State’s International Visitor Leadership Program and the White House Summit on Next Generation High Schools.

Professor Herrenkohl serves on the editorial boards for the American Educational Research Journal, Cognition and Instruction, and Science Education. Her service is also reflected in her public scholarship in which she is deeply committed to partnering with education practitioners. These collaborations give her a deep appreciation for the need to integrate theory and practice and to conduct iterative research to better understand the impact of particular approaches and strategies.

We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Leslie Rupert Herrenkohl as the Annemarie Sullivan Palincsar Endowed Professor of the Learning Sciences, Marsal Family School of Education, for a five-year renewable term, effective March 1, 2024 through February 28, 2029.

Recommended by: 

Elizabeth Birr Moje, Dean
George Herbert Mead Collegiate Professor of Education, and Arthur F. Thurnau Professor
Marsal Family School of Education

Recommendation endorsed by:

Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Julie Simmons Ivy as the Vivian L. Carpenter Collegiate Professor of Industrial and Operations Engineering, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective March 1, 2024 through February 28, 2029.

The Vivian L. Carpenter Collegiate Professorship in Industrial and Operations Engineering was established in February 2024 to honor Vivian L. Carpenter, a former visiting faculty member of the college. The professorship is funded by the College of Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Julie Ivy received her B.S. (1991) and her Ph.D. (1998) in industrial and operations engineering from the University of Michigan. She also received her M.S. (1992) in industrial and systems engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology. Professor Ivy joined the University of Michigan faculty after 16 years on the NC State faculty and several years on the faculty of the Stephen M. Ross School of Business at the University of Michigan. She is a professor and chair of the Department of Industrial and Operations Engineering at the University of Michigan. She is also the Edgar S. Woolard Professor Emerita of the Edward P. Fitts Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering at North Carolina State University. She has extensive background in decision making under conditions of uncertainty using stochastic and statistical modeling.

Professor Ivy’s research seeks to model complex interactions and quantitatively capture the impact of different factors, objectives, system dynamics, intervention options and policies on outcomes with the goal of improving decision quality. In particular, Professor Ivy develops and applies systems science methods, including the analysis and modeling of large data sets, simulation modeling, decision theory, and stochastic modeling including Markov decision processes and partially observable Markov decision processes, to improve hunger relief and health decision making. This research has made an impact on how researchers and practitioners address complex societal issues, such as health disparities, public health preparedness, hunger relief, student performance, and personalized medical decision-making and has been funded by the CDC, NSF, and NIH.
Professor Ivy is an active member of the Institute of Operations Research and Management Science (INFORMS). She served as the 2007 chair (president) of the INFORMS Health Applications Society and the 2012-13 president for the INFORMS Minority Issues Forum. Professor Ivy was elected as a 2022 INFORMS fellow and as a 2023 Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers (IISE) fellow. In February 2023, Professor Ivy was nominated to the National Academies Board on Mathematical Sciences and Analytics (BMSA).

Professor Ivy’s service has focused on empowering women of color and underrepresented minorities in IE, OR, and STEM through INFORMS Minority Issues Forum (MIF), NSF ADVANCE grants, and various workshops supporting the professional development of minority graduate students, faculty, and working professionals over the past 25+ years. She was selected as an inaugural INFORMS 2021 MIF fellow and as a 2020 and 2021 INFORMS DEI ambassador. She received the INFORMS 2020 WORMS Award for the Advancement of Women in OR/MS.

Professor Ivy has held various academic administrative roles. She served as the inaugural director of the Master of Engineering Management (MEM) program, a growing premium tuition program revamped in 2021. She led efforts to expand and restart the joint degree with the NC State Colleges of Engineering and Management, in the area of Engineering Management. Professor Ivy directed the ISE Health Systems Engineering (HSE) certificate program from 2016 to 2023. The HSE program prepares ISE students for careers in healthcare by teaching students to utilize their ISE tools to address complex problems in healthcare delivery and has resulted in more than 70 students who have partnered with health organizations. In addition, Professor Ivy chaired the 2022-2023 NC State College of Engineering Reappointment, Promotion and Tenure Committee. Professor Ivy was one of 35 women selected for the 2022 BRIDGES Academic Leadership Program. After completion of the program, she was elected to represent her class on the 2023 BRIDGES Advisory Board.

Professor Ivy’s academic achievements fully merit her appointment to this professorship. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Julie Simmons Ivy as the Vivian L. Carpenter Collegiate Professor of Industrial and Operations Engineering, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective March 1, 2024 through February 28, 2029.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Steven L. Ceccio, Ph.D.
Interim Dean
Vincent T. and Gloria M. Gorguze Professor of Engineering
College of Engineering

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Early Career Professorship

NAME: Tian Liang

CURRENT TITLE: Assistant Professor of Dentistry, School of Dentistry

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Robert W. Browne Early Career Professor of Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry

TERM: Three Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 1, 2024 through February 28, 2027

The dean and the Executive Committee of the School of Dentistry are pleased to recommend the appointment of Tian Liang as the Robert W. Browne Early Career Professor of Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry, for a three-year renewable term, effective March 1, 2024 through February 28, 2027.

The Robert W. Browne Endowed Professorship in Dentistry as established in 1984 through a generous gift in the amount of $1,000,000. In 2002, with the permission of the donor, the Robert W. Browne Professorship in Dentistry fund was expanded to support the Robert W. Browne Professorship in Orthodontics, and in 2023, the Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry was established. The Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry is intended to support an early career faculty member as an independent researcher in the Department of Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry. The initial appointment is for three-years and may be renewed until appointment to associate professor level.

Tian Liang received his BDS in 2014 from Peking University School of Stomatology, Beijing, China. He received his PhD in oral biology from Texas A&M University, College of Dentistry. Professor Liang joined the laboratory of Professors Jan Hu and James Simmer at the University of Michigan School of Dentistry (2018-2023). His research during his post-doctoral training explored tooth development and associated genetic disorders. His effort concentrates on molecules that are fundamental to the development of dentin and enamel using transgenic mouse models and a battery of ultrastructural and molecular approaches. Professor Liang’s research promotes the elucidation of molecular mechanisms underlying dental disorders and the development of biomimetic of dental hard tissues to facilitate the development of therapeutic options for tooth regeneration in general and for patients affected by specific tooth related genetic disorders. Professor Liang was awarded a K99/R00 National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) Dual Degree Dentist Pathway to Independence Award (2022-2024). He has 14 peer reviewed manuscripts, and his is first author on nine of those.
Professor Liang was awarded the Enamel 10 New Investigators Award at the Tenth International Symposium on Dental Enamel (Enamel 10) (May 2022). He also earned the University of Michigan Post-Doctoral Association (UMPDA) Conference Award (February 2022), the Post-Doctoral Award from University of Michigan School of Dentistry (September 2021), and his work was displayed as the cover image for the University of Michigan School of Dentistry 2022 Research Day Brochure. While at the Texas A&M University, Professor Liang was awarded the First Place in Basic Science Graduate Student Oral Presentation at the Texas A&M University College of Dentistry (April 2017), the Young Investigator Award from the International Association of Dental Research (IADR), Mineralized Tissue Group (March 2017), the Young Investigators Award from world Chinese Association of Dental Research (wCADR) (March 2017), and the Outstanding Graduate Student Poster Presentation at Texas A&M University College of Dentistry (April 2016), and the Second Place in Basic Science, American Association of Dental Research (AADR) National Student Research group (NSRG) DENTSPY/Caulk Competition (March 2016).

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Tian Liang as the Robert W. Browne Early Career Professor of Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry for a three-year term, effective March 1, 2024 through February 28, 2027.

Recommended by:

Jacques E. Nairn
Dean, School of Dentistry

Recommendation endorsed by:

Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: George A. Mashour, M.D., Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Robert B. Sweet Professor in Anesthesiology, Chair, Department of Anesthesiology, Professor of Anesthesiology, with tenure, Professor of Neurosurgery, without tenure, Professor of Pharmacology, without tenure, Medical School,

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Senior Associate Dean for Faculty and Faculty Development, Professor of Anesthesiology, with tenure, Professor of Neurosurgery, without tenure, and Professor of Pharmacology, without tenure, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 1, 2024

With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of George A. Mashour, M.D., Ph.D. as senior associate dean for faculty and faculty development, Medical School, effective May 1, 2024.

George Mashour received his Ph.D. degree in 1999 in neuroscience and his M.D. in 2001 from Georgetown University. He was an intern and Fulbright Scholar at Harvard Medical School before completing a residency in anesthesiology. In 2007, he came to the University of Michigan as a clinical neuroanesthesiology fellow. He was appointed as an assistant professor in 2007 in The Departments of Anesthesiology and Neurosurgery, was promoted to associate professor in 2013, and to professor in 2017. He later received appointments in the Department of Pharmacology in the Medical School and in the College of Health Sciences on the UM-Flint campus.

Dr. Mashour has a substantial record of service contributions. He has been serving as the chair of the Department of Anesthesiology since 2019. Additionally, he served as the co-director of the Michigan Institute for Clinical and Health Research (2020-2023) and he was the associate dean for clinical and translational research for the University of Michigan Medical School (2015-2019). Dr. Mashour was also the founder and director of the Center for Consciousness Science (2014-2020).

I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of George A. Mashour, M.D., Ph.D. as senior associate dean for faculty and faculty development, Medical School, effective May 1, 2024.

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

March 2024

Recommendation endorsed by: Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Research Professorship

NAME: Donovan T. Maust, M.D., M.S.

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Willard C. Blackney Jr. and Geraldine LaTendresse Blackney Research Professor of Geriatric Psychiatry, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028

On the recommendation of Gregory W. Dalack, M.D., the Daniel E. Offutt III Professor and chair of the Department of Psychiatry, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Donovan T. Maust, M.D., M.S. as the Willard C. Blackney Jr. and Geraldine LaTendresse Blackney Research Professor of Geriatric Psychiatry, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028.

The Willard C. Blackney Jr. and Geraldine LaTendresse Blackney Research Professorship in Geriatric Psychiatry was established February 2024 through support from a generous gift from Geraldine LaTendresse Blackney. This professorship will recognize and support a faculty member whose research focuses on geriatric psychiatry. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Donovan Maust received his B.S. in biology and international relations at The College of William & Mary in 2001. He received his M.D. in 2007 from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and his M.S. in health and healthcare research in 2014 at the University of Michigan. Dr. Maust completed a psychiatry residency in 2011 at the University of Pennsylvania and then completed a clinical fellowship in geriatric psychiatry in 2012. Next, he completed a Health Resources and Services Administration post-doctoral fellowship in geriatric psychiatry at the University of Pennsylvania in 2013. Dr. Maust joined the University of Michigan in the Department of Psychiatry as an assistant professor in 2013 and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2019.

Dr. Maust is widely known, recognized as an international thought leader, and sought after for his expertise in appropriate care for older adults with late life mental health or cognitive disorders. His work has brought attention specifically to the issue of increasing potentially inappropriate antiepileptic prescribing in nursing homes, which was previously unrecognized. Dr. Maust’s research is internationally recognized and will used to develop protocols and interventions to help address prescribing misuse in this older population. In 2023, he secured substantial funding from the National Institute on Aging and the NIH to study and better understand the healthcare
workforce caring for those with dementia. He served as the PI or co-PI on multiple grants including nine R01s, two R03s, K99, three VA I01, three K08, K23, three P30, two R49, two U54, one RF1, K01, and several foundation or Medicaid Match awards. Dr. Maust currently lists 115 peer-reviewed publications, three book chapters, and has an h-index of 23. He currently sits on the editorial board of the *Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry*. Beyond his major role with research, Dr. Maust is a clinician at the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System serving on the psychiatry consultation-liaison team. Dr. Maust is also a highly valued mentor and teacher. He is the co-leader of the department of psychiatry geropsychiatry program and co-lead of the research education and achievements (REACH) committee, in the Center for Clinical Management Research, VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System.

Dr. Maust is a worthy recipient of this professorship, and outstanding, generative, and highly productive faculty member. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Donovan T. Maust, M.D., M.S. as the Willard C. Blackney Jr. and Geraldine LaTendresse Blackney Research Professor of Geriatric Psychiatry, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028.

Recommended by: 

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

Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Michael R. Meyer

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Astronomy, with tenure, and Professor of Physics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Chair, Department of Astronomy, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts are pleased to recommend the appointment of Michael R. Meyer as chair, Department of Astronomy, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029.

Michael Meyer received his Bachelor of Arts at Washington University, St. Louis in 1989, his Master of Science at the University of Missouri, St. Louis in 1991, and his Doctorate at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst in 1996. Professor Meyer began his research career as a member of the scientific staff at the Max-Planck-Institut für Astronomie in Heidelberg (1995-1997) and as a research fellow at the Steward Observatory, University of Arizona (1997-2000). He was appointed as an assistant professor and astronomer at the University of Arizona in 2000 and promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2006. In 2009, he accepted an appointment as a professor of star and planet formation at the Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule (ETH) in Zürich. He joined our faculty as a professor in 2016. Professor Meyer was additionally appointed as a professor, without tenure, in the Department of Physics in February 2024.

Professor Meyer has extensive international research experience in infrared astronomy, galactic astrophysics, and star and planet formation, as well as exoplanet research including instrumentation experience for several ground and space-based telescope instruments. He is a distinguished teacher and mentor who has spoken twice at Saturday Morning Physics and currently leads an effort to create an inclusive space for Pell Grant holders, first-generation college students, and community college transfer students. Professor Meyer currently serves as the chair of the executive committee of the NASA Exoplanet Analysis Group (ExoPAG), as well as on several other committees in his field and two International Science Definition Teams for the TMT Project. He has served on the Department of Astronomy’s DEI committee for three years—and has chaired the group twice—and as the department’s DEI representative for the college. In addition to his extensive service to the department as the undergraduate advisor, associate chair of the graduate program, and chair and member of several committees including the Extremely Large Telescope Initiative Committee, Professor Meyer has also served on the
Faculty Senate Assembly and as a member of the University of Michigan Space Institute Leadership Team from 2017-2020.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Michael R. Meyer as chair, Department of Astronomy, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029.

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:  
Laurie K. McCauley  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment and Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Shahzad I. Mian, M.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Interim Chair, and Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, with tenure, Medical School

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Chair, Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, F. Bruce Fralick Professor of Ophthalmology, and Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, with tenure, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2024

With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Shahzad I. Mian, M.D. as chair, Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, effective April 1, 2024, and as the F. Bruce Fralick Professor of Ophthalmology, Medical School, effective April 1, 2024, through June 30, 2029.

Shahzad Mian attended Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia to obtain an undergraduate degree in biology and chemistry, followed by medical school and an internal medicine internship year at the same location. He completed a residency in ophthalmology from 1997-2000 at Wills Eye Hospital at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia followed by a fellowship in cornea and refractive surgery at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary at Harvard Medical School in Boston. In 2002, he was appointed to the faculty at the University of Michigan as a lecturer in the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences. In 2004, Dr. Mian was appointed as an assistant professor, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2010, and to professor in 2016.

He has been involved extensively in administrative activities. Dr. Mian has served as the ophthalmology residency program director since 2004. He also served as the associate chair of education and vice chair of clinical sciences and learning for the department. He has played a vital role as an ambulatory care clinical chief. His research focuses on the role of lasers in corneal transplantation, keratoplasty techniques, and clinical studies in refractive surgery. He has been the recipient of numerous awards for both his research activities and his teaching contributions. In 2007, Dr. Mian was awarded the Leadership Development Program from the American Academy of Ophthalmology and the 2009 Achievement Award from the American Academy of Ophthalmology. Dr. Mian has been serving as interim chair of the department since January 2023.
Dr. Mian has made significant contributions to the Medical School through his administrative, teaching, and scholarly work. He is an appropriate candidate to serve in this administrative capacity. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Shahzad I. Mian, M.D. as chair, Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, effective April 1, 2024, and as the F. Bruce Fralick Professor of Ophthalmology, Medical School, effective April 1, 2024, through June 30, 2029.

Recommended by:  

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

Recommendation endorsed by:  

Laurie K. McCauley  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Joint Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Gilbert S. Omenn, M.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Harold T. Shapiro Distinguished University Professor, Professor of Computational Medicine and Bioinformatics, with tenure, Professor of Internal Medicine, without tenure, and Professor of Human Genetics, without tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Environmental Health Sciences, without tenure, School of Public Health

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2024

With the support of the Executive Committee of the Medical School and the School of Public Health, we are pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Gilbert S. Omenn, M.D. as professor of environmental health sciences, without tenure, School of Public Health, effective January 1, 2024.

Gilbert Omenn received his A.B. from Princeton University in 1961. He received his M.D. from Harvard Medical School in 1965, and his Ph.D. from the University of Washington in 1972. In 1971, Dr. Omenn was appointed as an assistant professor of medicine at the University of Washington and was promoted to associate professor in 1974. In 1975, he was appointed as the director of the Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program at the University of Washington. He was appointed as an investigator at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute in 1976. In 1979, Dr. Omenn was promoted to professor of medicine at the University of Washington. He was appointed as a professor of environmental health at the University of Washington in 1981. In 1997, Dr. Omenn was appointed as a professor in the Department of Internal Medicine and a professor in the Department of Human Genetics in the Medical School at the University of Michigan. At the same time, he was also appointed as a professor at the School of Public Health at the University of Michigan. In 2012, he was appointed as a professor in the Department of Computational Medicine and Bioinformatics in the Medical School. In 2015, Dr. Omenn was appointed as the Harold T. Shapiro Distinguished University Professor.

Dr. Omenn’s research is focused on cancer proteomics and informatics, specifically proteins implicated in pathways involved in cancer and environmental precision environmental health. He is a former Howard Hughes Medical Institute Investigator, a longtime National Cancer Institute-funded principal investigator, and a physician participating in the University of Michigan Precision Medicine Tumor Board, as well as the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences funded Michigan Lifestage Environmental Exposures and Disease (M-LEEaD) Center. Dr. Omenn is the associate director of the Career Development Program within the M-LEEaD Center that is housed in the Department of Environmental Health Sciences. As the associate director he serves as a bridge to the Clinical and Translational Science Awards funded by the Michigan Center for Clinical and Health Research (MICHR) for coordinating research training. He provides active, structured mentoring to the center scientists, and works with all center members, but especially early-stage investigators, to
encourage use of M-LEEaD core facilities and services. To ensure coordination and communication of research activities among center cores, programs, and membership, he attends monthly meetings of the administrative core, quarterly meetings of the internal advisory committee, and annual general assembly meetings.

Dr. Omenn collaborates and provides mentorship to several Department of Environmental Health Sciences faculty members and post-doctoral fellows. Multiple departments within the School of Public Health have drawn Dr. Omenn into productive roles, including occasional lectures in environmental health sciences and in epidemiology, plus connections between biostatistics and bioinformatics.

Dr. Omenn has acknowledged his affiliation with the School of Public Health and the Department of Environmental Health Sciences on a large number of research publications. He has been the director of the University of Michigan Center for Computational Medicine and Bioinformatics since 2005, in which many School of Public Health faculty are among the 122 affiliated faculty. Dr. Omenn occasionally participates as a guest lecturer in the Department of Environmental Health Sciences and School of Public Health courses. He also provides mentorship to two M-LEEaD Center Scientists per year, one of which was a recent Department of Environmental Health Sciences post-doctoral fellow, Rebekah Petroff, now American Association for the Advancement of Science and Technology Policy Fellow within the federal judicial branch.

We are pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Gilbert S. Omenn, M.D. as professor of environmental health sciences, without tenure, School of Public Health, effective January 1, 2024.

Recommended by:

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

Recommendation endorsed by:

Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

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

March 2024
ACTION REQUEST: Professional Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Jason D. Owen-Smith

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Associate Vice President for Research-Institutional Capabilities and Research Intelligence, Office of the Vice President for Research

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2024

The Office of the Vice President for Research is pleased to recommend the appointment of Jason D. Owen-Smith as associate vice president for research-institutional capabilities and research intelligence, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective March 1, 2024.

Jason Owen-Smith earned a B.A. in sociology and philosophy from New College of Florida, as well as a M.A. and Ph.D. in sociology from University of Arizona. After working as a post-doctoral fellow at Stanford University, he joined the University of Michigan in 2002 as an assistant professor of sociology and organizational studies in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2008, and to professor in 2014. Professor Owen-Smith was the interim director of Organizational Studies from 2010 to 2012, and the director of the Barger Leadership Institute from 2011 to 2018. Concurrently, Professor Owen-Smith was jointly appointed as a research professor in the Institute for Social Research in 2014, as a professor, without tenure, in the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, co-founded, and serves as the executive director of the Institute for Research on Innovation and Science since 2015. He joined the Office of the Vice President for Research as the executive director of the Research Analysis and Data Integration Office in 2020.

The Office of the Vice President for Research works with internal and external partners to catalyze, support, and safeguard research and scholarship across UM and seeks to strengthen and improve the university’s research competitiveness and ultimately, the societal impact of scholarship. Through the use of responsive, rigorously developed, integrated data, the associate vice president for research-institutional capabilities and research intelligence partners with the vice president for research and innovation and other members of university leadership to understand and address emerging problems and opportunities relevant to the university’s research, scholarly, and creative mission. This position reports to the vice president for research and innovation. Responsibilities include the oversight of the Research Analysis and Data...
Integration Office based in the Office of the Vice President for Research, production of data and visualizations to support the cyclical reporting needs of stakeholders, interpretation and reporting of long-term retrospective and prospective evaluation studies of programmatic investments in research by the university and other funders, and consultation with research leaders and research development professionals to contribute expertise to and support decision-making for both strategic purposes and specific projects or initiatives, including understanding and assessing existing institutional capabilities related to UM’s research mission.

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Jason D. Owen-Smith as associate vice president for research-institutional capabilities and research intelligence, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective March 1, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Rebecca Cunningham
Vice President for Research and Innovation

March 2024
ACTION REQUEST:  Additional Appointment to an Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

NAME:  Peter B. Reich

CURRENT TITLE:  Professor of Environment and Sustainability, with tenure, School for Environment and Sustainability

ADDITIONAL TITLE:  Filibert Roth Collegiate Professor of Environment and Sustainability, School for Environment and Sustainability

TERM:  Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES:  April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2029

On the recommendation of the dean and the Executive Committee of the School for Environment and Sustainability, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Peter B. Reich as the Filibert Roth Collegiate Professor of Environment and Sustainability, School for Environment and Sustainability, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2029.

This professorship was established in the Provost Office and was named the Filibert Roth Collegiate Professorship in Environment and Sustainability in February 2024. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Peter B. Reich received his BA from Goddard College (Plainfield, Vermont), his MS in forest ecology from the School of Forestry, Fisheries and Wildlife at the University of Missouri (Columbia, Missouri). He received his PhD in environmental biology and plant ecology from the Department of Natural Resources at Cornell University (Ithaca, New York). He joined the School for Environment and Sustainability at the University of Michigan as the director of the newly formed Institute for Global Change Biology in 2021. He was appointed as a professor, with tenure at the University of Michigan in September, 2023.

Professor Reich has an exemplary record of scholarship and research, including over 650 refereed publications (including more than 30 in Science, Nature, Nature sister-journals and PNAS in past five years) and over 40 book chapters, over ten million in current funding from multiple agencies, with strong funding throughout his career (>50 million). His i10 index is 698, with an h-index of 189 and over 15,685 citations in 2022 with 74,820 citations since 2018. His total listed on Google Scholar is an amazing 155,557. His ranking as #1 scientist in the world in the field of ecology and evolution, his impressive research and funding record speak for themselves.
Professor Reich has a multitude of prestigious awards, honors, and appointments, including (but not limited to): NAS fellow (2018), Foreign Member Polish Academy of Sciences (2018), Polish-US Science Award (PLUS) (2018), fellow of Ecological Society of America (2017), American Academy of Arts and Sciences member (elected 2011) in addition to the many professorships. Also noteworthy is his record developing “grass roots” initiatives and conducting high quality translational science, e.g., co-founder, writer and editor of MinuteEarth (2.2+ million subscribers).

Professor Reich developed the world’s largest open-access plant trait database (TRY), international consortium for forest functional diversity experiments (IDENT), and a global forest biodiversity initiative in seven + countries (GFBI). Professor Reich is professionally active, serving as a reviewer for dozens of agencies and journals.

Professor Reich has a demonstrated strong commitment to diversity. Since 2011, at least two-thirds of his post-doctoral researchers and graduate and undergraduate students have been members of under-represented groups (URG) in the sciences (including women, people of color, and members of LGBTQ communities). For the last 20 years, every search he has chaired resulted in a URG faculty hire. He has worked with, and unofficially mentored, dozens of scientists around the world with diverse ethnic, sexual orientation, religious, cultural, and economic backgrounds.

In recognition of his many accomplishments, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Peter B. Reich as the Filibert Roth Collegiate Professor of Environment and Sustainability, School for Environment and Sustainability, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2029.

RECOMMENDED BY:  
Jonathan T. Overpeck  
Samuel A. Graham Dean  
School for Environment and Sustainability

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  
Laurie K. McCauley  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Anthony Rosenzweig, M.D.

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Stanley and Judith Frankel Professor of Heart and Brain Health, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028

On the recommendation of Raymond Yung, MB, ChB, the Jeffrey B. Halter M.D. Collegiate Professor and interim chair of the Department of Internal Medicine, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Anthony Rosenzweig, M.D. as the Stanley and Judith Frankel Professor of Heart and Brain Health, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028.

The Stanley and Judith Frankel Professorship in Heart and Brain Health was established in February 2024 and stems from a generous gift from the Stanley and Judith Frankel Family Foundation. This professorship recognizes and honors Stanley and Judith Frankel and their commitment to funding research at Michigan Medicine, in particular research related to heart and brain health. The professorship is intended to recognize outstanding achievements of a faculty member with close ties to the Institute for Heart and Brain Health. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Anthony Rosenzweig earned his M.D. from Harvard Medical School in 1984, and later went on to complete his internship and residency in medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital in 1985 and 1987, respectively. He then completed a research fellowship in medicine in 1990 at Harvard Medical School. Subsequently, Dr. Rosenzweig completed his fellowship training in cardiology, at Massachusetts General Hospital. He completed additional research fellowships in genetics at Harvard Medical School and vascular biology at Brigham and Women’s Hospital in 1991 and 1994, respectively. At Harvard Medical School, Dr. Rosenzweig was appointed instructor of medicine from 1990, and rose through the ranks to become a professor of medicine in 2008. He was also appointed as a professor of biological and biomedical sciences at Harvard University concurrently. In 2015, he was appointed as the Paul Dudley White Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School. Dr. Rosenzweig was recruited to the University of Michigan in 2022 where he was appointed as a professor of internal medicine in the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine, and the inaugural director of the Heart and Brain Institute.
Dr. Rosenzweig is recognized as an international leader in the field of heart failure research and understanding the clinical implications of fundamental biological processes regulating cell growth, death, and regeneration in the heart. He is an active clinical researcher with more than 207 peer-reviewed articles and has been the PI, site PI, and co-investigator on several NIH and industry-sponsored projects. His writings and scholarly input are highly regarded. His national and international reputation is evident in his numerous invited talks and service on editorial boards for several leading cardiology journals.

Dr. Rosenzweig has served in numerous leadership positions throughout his career, including as the chief of cardiology and co-director of the Corrigan-Minehan Heart Center at the Massachusetts General Hospital between 2015-2022, director of the Program in Cardiovascular Gene Therapy at MGH between 1999-2006, associate editor of the New England Journal of Medicine between 2003-2013, and trustee of the Harvard Clinical Research Institute between 2008-2015. He is an active member of the American Society for Clinical Investigation, the American Association of Physicians, and the Association of University Cardiologists. Dr. Rosenzweig is also an excellent educator who, throughout his career, has dedicated tremendous time and effort to teaching and mentorship. He has personally supervised over 50 research fellows in his laboratory, most going on to full-time academic faculty positions with substantial research commitments. His dedication to research, clinical excellence, and teaching is evidenced by the numerous awards and honors he has received throughout his career, including the Roman W. DeSanctis Clinical Scholar Award, an Established Investigator Award of the American Heart Association, and the NHLBI Outstanding Investigator Award.

Dr. Rosenzweig is an exceptional candidate for this professorship and epitomizes the qualities and values of an educator and highly respected leader in the field of heart and brain health. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Anthony Rosenzweig, M.D. as the Stanley and Judith Frankel Professor of Heart and Brain Health, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028.

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

Recommendation endorsed by: Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
On the recommendation of Gregory W. Dalack, M.D., the Daniel E. Offutt III Professor and chair of the Department of Psychiatry, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Maureen A. Walton, Ph.D., M.P.H. as the Toby Brzoznowski Research Professor of Behavioral Health Technology Innovations, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028.

The Toby Brzoznowski Research Professorship in Behavioral Health Technology Innovations was established in February 2024 and stems from a generous gift from Toby and Kathy Brzoznowski. This professorship honors Toby Brzoznowski, an entrepreneur and visionary for mental health technology innovations. This professorship will support a faculty member whose research focuses on behavioral health technology innovations. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Maureen Walton received her M.P.H. in health promotion from San Diego State University in 1990, and a Ph.D. in community psychology from Michigan State University in 1993. Dr. Walton joined the Department of Psychiatry at University of Michigan in 1995 as a research associate in the Alcohol Research Center of the department, moving to a faculty appointment in 2003 as a research assistant professor, and rose through the ranks to become a professor, with tenure, in 2016. She serves as the associate chair for research and research faculty development in the Department of Psychiatry, the senior associate director of the Injury Prevention Center, and associate director for child research at the addiction center.

Dr. Walton conducts innovative research to maximize public health impact on the prevention and treatment of substance use, interpersonal violence, and injury with a focus on youth. She has expertise in harnessing technology for assessment and intervention delivery. Dr. Walton and colleagues have developed evidenced-based, single session behavioral interventions to reduce risky substance use among patients in medical settings. Dr. Walton’s research has been well-funded through NIH, foundation, and institutional grants. Listing 249 peer reviewed publications, Dr. Walton leads and collaborates with multidisciplinary teams on projects funded by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the Patient-
Centered Outcomes Research Institute, and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. Dr. Walton’s commitment to teaching and mentoring students and trainees is evident, currently serving as a faculty mentor with the Addiction Center’s T32 post-doctoral fellowship program funded by NIAAA.

Dr. Walton’s commitment as an educator and researcher, makes her a worthy recipient of this professorship. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Maureen A. Walton, Ph.D., M.P.H. as the Toby Brzoznowski Research Professor of Behavioral Health Technology Innovations, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024 through August 31, 2028.

Recommended by:  Recommendation endorsed by:

Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D. Laurie K. McCauley
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs Provost and Executive Vice Dean, Medical School President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
With the approval of the Executive Committee of the School of Social Work, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Daphne C. Watkins as the Letha A. Chadiha Collegiate Professor of Social Work, School of Social Work, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2029.

This professorship was established in the Provost Office and was named the Carol T. Mowbray Collegiate Professorship in September 2017, and was renamed as the Letha A. Chadiha Collegiate Professorship in February 2024. This esteemed professorship is a tribute to the illustrious professional and academic trajectory of Letha A. Chadiha, a distinguished figure in the field of social work and a revered member of the School of Social Work faculty. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Daphne Watkins earned her B.A. in anthropology from the University of North Carolina at Wilmington in 2002 and her Ph.D. in health education from Texas A&M University in 2006.

Professor Watkins joined the University of Michigan in 2006 as a National Institute of Mental Health T32 post-doctoral fellow at the Institute for Social Research (ISR). Her fellowship was entitled “Psychosocial Factors in Mental Health and Illness.” Following her post-doctoral fellowship, Professor Watkins held a K12 Career Development Award at the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology in the School of Medicine. Professor Watkins was appointed as an assistant professor in the School of Social Work in 2009. She was promoted to associate professor in 2015 and to professor in 2019. Professor Watkins has additional appointments at the University of Michigan Depression Center, the ISR Research Center on Group Dynamics, the Program for Research on Black Americans, and the Department of Family Medicine at the Medical School. From 2019 – 2024, she also assumed the role of director of the Vivian A. and James L. Curtis Center for Health Disparities Research and Training at the School of Social Work.
Professor Watkins’ research focuses on how gender differences and health disparities influence the mental health of Black Americans with the aim of increasing what we know about mental disorders and how they impact the health and health behaviors of Black men. Professor Watkins demonstrates exceptional conceptual creativity and coherence in her body of research. She has created a carefully constructed conceptualization of Black men’s mental health. She has built an interdisciplinary conceptual framework of mental health that integrates role socialization, intersectional understanding of the cultural positions of Black men given additional other social identities of age, education, and ethnicity; social support; and life stress. Her work is based on carefully conducted qualitative research with several samples of Black men, blended with careful quantitative analysis of national, population-based data sets.

Professor Watkins is the founding director of the Gender and Health Research (GendHR) Lab, the Certificate Program in Mixed Methods Research, and the award-winning Young Black Men, Masculinities, and Mental Health (YBMen) Project, a social media-based intervention to provide mental health education and social support for young Black men. Now in its tenth year, YBMen has reached young Black men in schools and colleges in various sites across the U.S. and globally. Professor Watkins teaches graduate-level courses on research methods, social equity and equality, and community-based interventions. She also serves on committees and advisory boards aimed at improving men’s health equity both domestically and globally.

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Daphne Watkins to the Letha A. Chadiha Collegiate Professors of Social Work, School of Social Work, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2029.

Recommended by:

Beth Angell
Dean and Professor of Social Work
School of Social Work

Recommendation endorsed by:

Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

Establishing and renaming professorships and selected academic and administrative positions.
On the recommendation of Vikas Gulani, M.D. Ph.D., the Fred Jenner Hodges Professor and chair of the Department of Radiology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the Reed Dunnick Research Professorship in Radiology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

The Reed Dunnick Research Professorship in Radiology stems from a split of funds from the William Martel Collegiate Professorship Fund. This professorship honors the achievements of Dr. Reed Dunnick, M.D., who served as the chair of the Department of Radiology from 1992-2018. Throughout his career, Dr. Dunnick has been an active participant in professional radiology organizations. He has served as the president of his two subspecialty societies, the Society of Uroradiology and the Society of Computed Body Tomography/Magnetic Resonance. He is a past president of the American Roentgen Ray Society, the Michigan Radiological Society, the American Board of Radiology, the Association of University Radiologists, the Society of Chairmen of Academic Radiology Departments (SCARD), and the Radiological Society of North America. This professorship will support a faculty member with a primary appointment in the Department of Radiology. The holder of this professorship will be a faculty member of the Department of Radiology. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the research professorship as the Reed Dunnick Research Professorship in Radiology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

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

Recommendation endorsed by: Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Albert D. Early Professorship in Tax Law, Law School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2024

The Law School is pleased to recommend the establishment of the Albert D. Early Professorship in Tax Law, Law School, effective March 1, 2024.

The school has been the recipient of a generous gift from Albert D. and Virginia B. Early to establish the Albert D. Early Professorship in Tax Law. The professorship will be used to provide faculty compensation, research and other academic support. Appointment periods may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Appointments to the Albert D. Early Professorship will be made by the dean of the Law School.

In recognition of this significant gift from Albert D. and Virginia B. Early, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Albert D. Early Professorship in Tax Law, Law School, effective March 1, 2024.

RECOMMENDED BY: RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Kyle D. Logue Laurie K. McCauley
Interim Dean, Law School Provost and Executive Vice
Douglas A. Kahn Collegiate Professor President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Research Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Daniel R. Goldstein, M.D. Research Professorship, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2024

On the recommendation of Raymond Yung, M.B., ChB, the Jeffrey B. Halter M.D. Collegiate Professor and interim chair of the Department of Internal Medicine, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the Daniel R. Goldstein, M.D. Research Professorship, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

The Daniel R. Goldstein, M.D. Research Professorship stems from a gift from the Samuel and Jean Frankel Foundation. Dr. Goldstein was an esteemed member of the cardiovascular medicine faculty and instrumental member of the Mi-AORTA research program before taking long-term medical leave in 2023. This professorship will recognize the research achievements of a faculty member in the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine and will support the academic endeavors of a faculty member who demonstrates expertise in cardiovascular aging or advanced heart disease. The holder of this professorship will be a faculty member of the Department of Internal Medicine within the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the Daniel R. Goldstein, M.D. Research Professorship, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

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

Recommendation endorsed by: Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of Two Endowed Professorships

PROPOSED NAMES: John D. MacArthur Professorship, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2024

With the approval of the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of two endowed professorships as the John D. MacArthur Professorship, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective March 1, 2024.

In 1981, the MacArthur Foundation generously provided the university with a gift of $1,200,000 to establish the John D. MacArthur Professorship. The foundation gave the president of the university the discretion to determine the field or discipline in which the professorship would be established. Following receipt of the gift, then-President Harold Shapiro assigned the administration of the professorship to the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts to be used to fund a professorship in any field at the dean’s discretion. This original assignment was made with the understanding that upon each new appointment, the college would consult with the serving president for permission to maintain the professorship in LSA.

The current market value of the fund has grown to nearly $13,000,000 and President Ono has expressed his support of establishing two additional professorships for a total of three. These professorships will be used to recruit and retain outstanding faculty in the natural sciences, particularly in the fields of statistics and mathematics, and for the new Quantum Research Institute in LSA. Appointments to these professorships will be up to five years and may be renewed.

We are pleased to recommend the establishment of two endowed professorships as the John D. MacArthur Professorship, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective March 1, 2024.

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: Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
ACTION REQUEST: Change in Name of an Existing Collegiate Professorship

CURRENT TITLE: William Martel Collegiate Professorship in Radiology, Medical School

RECOMMENDED TITLE: William Martel Legacy Professorship in Radiology, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2024

We are pleased to recommend a change in name of an existing collegiate professorship from the William Martel Collegiate Professorship in Radiology, to the William Martel Legacy Professorship in Radiology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

The William Martel Collegiate Professorship in Radiology was established in July 1997. Dr. Martel came to the University of Michigan in 1957, and during his 40-year tenure served in numerous capacities including section chief of the section of musculoskeletal radiology, director of the radiology residency training program, director of clinical services, and chair of the department from 1982-1992. The professorship is meant to recognize Dr. Martel’s expertise in musculoskeletal radiology, and his contributions to the field and the University of Michigan. Dr. Martel retired from active faculty service in 1997. This legacy fund constitutes a gift for endowment and distributions from it shall be made in accordance with the university’s then existing endowment distribution policy. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

We are pleased to recommend a change in name of an existing collegiate professorship from the William Martel Collegiate Professorship in Radiology, to the William Martel Legacy Professorship in Radiology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

Recommended by: Recommendation endorsed by:

Marschall S. Runge M.D., Ph.D. Laurie K. McCauley
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dean, Medical School

March 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Research Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: William Martel Research Professorship in Radiology, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2024

On the recommendation of Vikas Gulani, M.D. Ph.D., the Fred Jenner Hodges Professor and chair of the Department of Radiology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the William Martel Research Professorship in Radiology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

The William Martel Research Professorship in Radiology stems from a split of funds from the William Martel Endowed Professorship Fund. This professorship honors the achievements of William Martel, M.D. who served as the director of diagnostic radiology from 1965-75, and served as the chair of the Department of Radiology from 1982-92. This professorship will support a faculty member with a primary appointment in the Department of Radiology. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the William Martel Research Professorship in Radiology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

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

Recommendation endorsed by:
Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Correction of the Name of an Existing Research Professorship

NAME: Betty Spurway Nixon Leukemia Research Professorship, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 2024

In the February 2024 Regents Communication requesting the establishment of the Betty Spurway Nixon Leukemia Research Professorship, Medical School, the professorship name was incorrect. The correction follows.

RECOMMENDED TITLE: Betty Nixon-Spurway and Don L. Nixon Leukemia Research Professorship, Medical School

Please accept this correction to the professorship.

Recommended by: Recommendation endorsed by:

Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D. Laurie K. McCauley
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs Provost and Executive Vice
Dean, Medical School President for Academic Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATIONS

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Pris Rogers Professorship in Strategic Communications, Department of Communication and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2024

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 Pris Rogers Professorship in Strategic Communications, Department of Communication and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective March 1, 2024.

The College of Literature, Science, and the Arts has received a generous gift pledge of $2,500,000 from Gunter Dufey to establish the Pris Rogers Professorship in Strategic Communications. It is the donor’s desire that the area of specialization of the professorship focus on (but is not limited to) advertising, public speaking, marketing, branding, public relations, communications in organizations, and social media within the Department of Communication and Media. This includes both teaching and research components. Incumbents may be faculty at the rank of assistant professor or at the rank of associate professor or professor, with tenure. Appointments to this professorship will be up to five years and may be renewed.

We are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Pris Rogers Professorship in Strategic Communications, Department of Communication and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective March 1, 2024.

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:
Laurie K. McCauley  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Tishman Professorship in Environmental Justice, School for Environment and Sustainability

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2024

On behalf of the School for Environment and Sustainability, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Tishman Professorship in Environmental Justice, School for Environment and Sustainability, effective April 1, 2024.

The school has been the recipient of a generous gift of $2,500,000 from NorthLight Foundation to establish the Tishman Professorship in Environmental Justice. This professorship will be used to attract or retain an outstanding candidate to the University of Michigan, and the environmental justice faculty area of specialization.

Appointments to the Tishman Professorship in Environmental Justice will be made by the dean of the School for Environment and Sustainability and with the approval of the school’s Executive Committee. Appointment periods may be up to five years and may be renewed.

In recognition of this significant gift from NorthLight Foundation we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Tishman Professorship in Environmental Justice, School for Environment and Sustainability, effective April 1, 2024.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Jonathan T. Overpeck
Samuel A. Graham Dean
School for Environment and Sustainability

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Change in Name of an Existing Collegiate Professorship

CURRENT TITLE: Galen B. Toews, M.D. Collegiate Professorship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Medical School

RECOMMENDED TITLE: Galen B. Toews, M.D. Legacy Professorship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2024

We are pleased to recommend a change in name of an existing collegiate professorship from the Galen B. Toews, M.D. Collegiate Professorship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, to the Galen B. Toews, M.D. Legacy Professorship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

The Galen B. Toews, M.D. Collegiate Professorship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine was established in July 2015 through gifts from family, friends and colleagues of Dr. Toews. The professorship is a tribute to Dr. Toews, a UM pulmonologist and a pioneer in the field of lung immunology. Over the course of nearly 25 years, Dr. Toews played a pivotal role in the growth of the Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine. This professorship serves as a testament to the enduring legacy of Dr. Galen B. Toews, who previously served as the chief of pulmonary and critical care medicine in the Department of Internal Medicine from 1987 to his death in 2011. We strongly believe that this proposed name change will clarify and reinforce the legacy of Dr. Galen B. Toews, while also providing support for research and other initiatives within the division of pulmonary and critical medicine.

We are pleased to recommend a change in name of an existing collegiate professorship from the Galen B. Toews, M.D. Collegiate Professorship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, to the Galen B. Toews, M.D. Legacy Professorship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

Recommended by: Recommendation endorsed by:

Marschall S. Runge M.D., Ph.D. Laurie K. McCauley
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs Provost and Executive Vice
Dean, Medical School President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Research Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Rachel Upjohn Research Professorship in Depression, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2024

On the recommendation of Srijen Sen, M.D. Ph.D., the Frances and Kenneth Eisenberg Professor and director of the Frances and Kenneth Eisenberg and Family Depression Center, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the Rachel Upjohn Research Professorship in Depression, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

The Rachel Upjohn Research Professorship in Depression stems from a split of funds from the Rachel Upjohn Professorship Fund. This professorship honors the legacy of Rachel Mary Upjohn Light Meader and her commitment to improving the understanding, prevention, and treatment of depression and related mood disorders. This professorship will enable a leading scholar in the Eisenberg Family Depression Center to coordinate and direct a research and educational program focusing upon depression and related mood disorders. The holder of this professorship will be a faculty affiliate in the Eisenberg Family Depression Center. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the Rachel Upjohn Research Professorship in Depression, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

Recommended by: Recommendation endorsed by:

Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D. Laurie K. McCauley
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs Provost and Executive Vice
Dean, Medical School President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Research Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Rachel Upjohn Research Professorship in Psychiatry, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2024

On the recommendation of Gregory W. Dalack, M.D., the Daniel E. Offutt, III Professor and chair of the Department of Psychiatry, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the Rachel Upjohn Research Professorship in Psychiatry, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

The Rachel Upjohn Research Professorship in Psychiatry stems from a split of funds from the Rachel Upjohn Professorship Fund. This professorship honors the legacy of Rachel Mary Upjohn Light Meader and her commitment to improving the understanding, prevention, and treatment of depression and related disorders in psychiatry. This professorship will enable a leading scholar in the Department of Psychiatry to coordinate and direct a research and educational program focusing upon depression and related disorders. The holder of this professorship will be a faculty member of the Department of Psychiatry. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the Rachel Upjohn Research Professorship in Psychiatry, Medical School, effective March 1, 2024.

Recommended by: Recommendation endorsed by:

Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D. Laurie K. McCauley
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs Provost and Executive Vice
Dean, Medical School President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
Recommendations for approval of other personnel transactions

for regular instructional staff and selected

academic and administrative staff
ACTION REQUEST: Recess appointment approval for the period between regularly scheduled meetings

ACTION REQUESTED: Authorization for approving necessary appointments

EFFECTIVE DATES: March 29, 2024 through May 15, 2024

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 schedule board meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie K. McCauley
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2024
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 Anthropology, we are pleased to recommend the transfer of tenure for Jacinta C. Beehner from professor of psychology, with tenure, and professor of anthropology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, to professor of psychology, with tenure, and professor of anthropology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 26, 2024.

Jacinta Beehner earned her B.S. from Boston College in 1994 and her Ph.D. from Washington University in 2003. Following a post-doctoral research appointment at Princeton University (2004-2006), Professor Beehner joined our faculty as an assistant professor. She was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2013, and to professor in 2020.

Professor Beehner’s research is centered on identifying situations where male and female reproduction come into conflict with one another. When animals sexually reproduce, one sex generally invests more in the production and care of offspring than the other, and such an imbalance leads to conflicting reproductive strategies for males and females, a theoretical framework known as sexual conflict. In addition to identifying these situations across mammals, Professor Beehner seeks to understand how this conflict plays out in terms of physiology and behavior. She studies non-human primates, and the bulk of her research program is focused on female counterstrategies to male coercive reproductive tactics, such as infanticide. This includes strategies such as male-mediated pregnancy termination and deceptive fertility. Her goal is to incorporate these strategies into evolutionary models that can predict social systems across mammals. Professor Beehner’s work has been published in the top journals in her field and she has been very successful in obtaining external funding to support her work.
Professor Beehner has successfully taught large lecture courses (Psych 337: Hormones and Behavior), advanced undergraduate courses (Anthro 478: Primate Behavioral Ecology; Anthro 468/Psych 439: Evolutionary Endocrinology), and graduate courses (Anthro 569/Psych 630: Grant Writing in the Life Sciences). She has mentored numerous undergraduate and graduate students and served on more than twenty dissertation committees. Her psychology courses are in high demand as they fulfill major requirements for students in biopsychology, cognition, and neuroscience as well as psychology. This transfer of tenure will allow her to focus more on these course offerings while continuing to be involved in the Department of Anthropology by mentoring graduate students, attending weekly group meetings, mentoring junior faculty, and serving on tenure and promotion committees.

Professor Beehner holds an impressive service record to her departments and her field. She is the director of the university’s Evolution and Human Adaptation Program, founded and co-directs the Simien Mountains Gelada Research Project in Ethiopia, and founded and co-directs both the Capuchins at Taboga Project and the Taboga Field Laboratory in Costa Rica. She has served on or chaired numerous committees in her departments, including executive committees, faculty search committees, and curriculum committees. She is the associate editor of *Evolutionary Anthropology* (since 2017), an editorial board member of *Hormones and Behavior* (since 2015) and was the associate editor of *Animal Behaviour* (2013-2018). In 2021, she was honored with the Rackham Faculty Recognition Award for her demonstrated outstanding achievements in scholarly research, excellence as a teacher, advisor, and mentor, and distinguished participation as a conscientious citizen.

We are very pleased to recommend the transfer of tenure for Jacinta C. Beehner from professor of psychology, with tenure, and professor of anthropology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, to professor of psychology, with tenure, and professor of anthropology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 26, 2024.

Recommended by:       Recommendation endorsed by:

Anne Curzan, Dean       Laurie K. McCauley
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of Provost and Executive Vice
English Language and Literature, Linguistics, English Language and Literature, Linguistics, and Education
and Education           and Education
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor
College of Literature, President for Academic Affairs
Science, and the Arts
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

March 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment
NAME: Captain Michele M. Day
RECOMMENDED TITLE: Chair, Naval Officer Education Program
EFFECTIVE DATES: August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2027

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Captain Michele M. Day as chair, Naval Officer Education Program, for a three-year term, effective August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2027.

Captain Michele Day is the standardization and strategic policy advisor to the three-star U.S. Military Representative to NATO. She received a Bachelor’s degree in bioenvironmental science in 1996 from Texas A&M University, and a Master’s degree in information systems and operations from the Naval Postgraduate School.

During her years of service in the Navy, Captain Day served in a variety of roles of increasing responsibility. Prior to her current NATO assignment in Brussels, she served as the commander for logistics in the Western Pacific, and also as the commander of the Seventh Fleet (2017-2021). She led the U.S.S. Benfold (DDG-65) as an executive officer first, and commanding officer later, during 2014-2015. During her service on the U.S.S. Benfold, she designed and launched Project ATHENA, an open innovation initiative to connect the big ideas of grassroot innovators in the Navy with developmental partners from across industry and academia. Project ATHENA was recognized by the Secretary of the Navy as a leader in innovation.

Prior to the U.S.S. Benfold, Captain Day worked as part of the Joint Staff at the Pentagon in the role of action officer (2008-2010). Her earlier missions were in Baghdad, Iraq, where she deployed as a Navy’s electronic warfare officer embedded in Army units (2007-2008), and in Bahrain as a division officer in the Destroyer Squadron Fifty (1999-2000).

Captain Day’s blend of experiences and strong leadership abilities make her an excellent candidate for this position. With the enthusiastic and unanimous support from the Military Officer Education Program Committee, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Captain Michele M. Day as chair, Naval Officer Education Program, for a three-year term, effective August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2027.

Recommended By:

Valeria Bertacco
Vice Provost for Engaged Learning

March 2024
I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Jon Kinsey as vice president and secretary of the university, effective May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2029.

Jon Kinsey holds a B.S. in mechanical engineering from the College of Engineering and a M.B.A. from the Stephen M. Ross School of Business, both from the University of Michigan.

Mr. Kinsey is an experienced professional with a broad range of experience. Mr. Kinsey currently serves as the chief of staff to the President at the University of Michigan, where he serves as a member of the university’s leadership team. He is an advisor and strategic partner to the president and supports the university’s leadership team in the implementation of the president’s priorities. He oversees presidential initiatives and special projects and manages and coordinates the administrative functions of the Office of the President.

Prior to joining the Office of the President, Mr. Kinsey served as the chief of staff at the University of Michigan’s College of Engineering (CoE). In this role, he advised the dean and other CoE senior leaders on matters related to the college’s long-range plans, collaborating with other units on campus to advance the mission of the CoE. In addition, he participated in the development of resource generation and strategies related to operations and day-to-day management. Mr. Kinsey also served as the assistant vice president for research at the University of Michigan’s Office of Research, where he worked with faculty and staff across the Ann Arbor, Dearborn and Flint campuses to strengthen the research enterprise by creating innovative collaborations and fostering new funding models with industry, government and academia.

Mr. Kinsey was the staff leader for ideation, approval, and formation of the American Lightweight Materials Manufacturing Innovation Institute (ALMMII – now known as LIFT). He collaborated with faculty leadership, partner institutions, state entities, city officials and the federal government to incorporate and develop the governance model for LIFT. He worked to secure bridge funding from the University of Michigan and facilitated the federal contracting, and he currently serves as a board member. Mr. Kinsey served in a similar role for the creation of the American Center for Mobility (ACM) and served as a founding board member. Mr. Kinsey also serves as the associate director on the Board of Directors for the University of Michigan Credit Union.
Mr. Kinsey previously served the university working in the College of Engineering as the director of government relations and then as the senior director of research relations. He served on the Ann Arbor Summer Festival Board of Directors and the Board of Directors at the American Center for Mobility. Before joining UM, Mr. Kinsey worked as an international business strategy manager in retail, served as a consulting manager in a start-up management consulting firm and worked for eight years in automotive engineering at Lear Corporation.

As the vice president and secretary of the university, Mr. Kinsey will be charged with coordinating the business affairs of the Board and facilitating effective communication between the members of the Board and the executive officers.

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Mr. Jon Kinsey as vice president and secretary of the university, effective May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2029.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]
Santa J. Ono
President

March 2024
Recommendations for approval of other personnel transactions for regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Transfer of Faculty Appointments and Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2024

The College of Business at the University of Michigan-Dearborn has recently established the Department of Management and Marketing and the Department of Information and Operations Management (formerly the combined Department of Management Studies). In conjunction with this change in status, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the College of Business, I am pleased to recommend the transfer of the following faculty appointments and tenure to the new departments, effective July 1, 2024.

From the Department of Management Studies to the Department of Management and Marketing:

Aaron C. Ahuvia, to professor of management studies, with tenure
Frederic Brunel, to dean, College of Business, and professor of marketing, with tenure
Elif Izberk-Bilgin, to associate professor of management studies, with tenure
Jung Hyun Lee, to associate professor of organizational behavior, with tenure
Janice C. Molloy, to associate professor of human resources and organizational behavior, with tenure
Crystal J. Scott, to associate professor of marketing, with tenure
Karen S. Strandholm, to associate professor of strategic management, with tenure

From the Department of Management Studies to the Department of Information and Operations Management:

Charu Chandra, to professor of operations management, with tenure
Yi-Su Chen, to associate professor of management studies, with tenure
Lee A. Freeman, to associate professor of information systems management, with tenure
Yi Guo, to associate professor of management studies, with tenure
Jun He, to associate professor of information systems management, with tenure
Barbara D. Klein, to professor of management information systems, with tenure
Zhixin J. Liu, to professor of decision sciences, with tenure
Young K. Ro, to professor of management studies, with tenure
Hung-Chung Su, to associate professor of management studies, with tenure

Direct responsibility for the oversight of these faculty members will reside with the respective chairs of the Department of Management and Marketing and the Department of Information and Operations Management. The faculty members affected by this transfer of appointment and tenure will retain all rights and responsibilities to which they are entitled as faculty members in the College of Business.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Domenico Grasso, Chancellor
University of Michigan-Dearborn

March 2024
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - FLINT

Recommendations for approval of joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Brian D. Blume

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Organizational Behavior/Human Resources, with tenure, School of Management

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Hagerman Professor of Entrepreneurship and Innovation, School of Management

EFFECTIVE DATES: July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026

The interim dean and Executive Committee of the School of Management, with the endorsement of the faculty, are pleased to recommend the appointment of Brian D. Blume as the Hagerman Professor of Entrepreneurship and Innovation, School of Management, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026.

The Hagerman Faculty Development Professorship in Entrepreneurship and Innovation was originally established in February 2015 and was renamed as the Hagerman Professorship in Entrepreneurship and Innovation in February 2024. The school was a recipient of a generous gift from Philip and Jocelyn Hagerman. Appointments to this professorship may be up to three years and may be renewed.

Brian Blume received his B.S. degree from Purdue University in 1998, his M.B.A. degree from Bradley University in 2001, and his Ph.D. from Indiana University in 2006. Professor Blume joined the University of Michigan-Flint in 2006 as an assistant professor, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2012, and to professor in 2016. Since 2016, Professor Blume has been serving as the associate director of the Hagerman Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation.

Together with the center’s director, Professor Blume worked to grow the impact of the Hagerman Center and successfully obtained grants. He has taken initiatives such as the Summer Entrepreneurship Institute and was instrumental in the center’s success as finalist in United States Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship in 2023. Professor Blume has demonstrated strong communications skills with stakeholders in the community. He is collegial and enjoys working with students.
We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Brian D. Blume as the Hagerman Professor of Entrepreneurship and Innovation, School of Management, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Yener Kandogan, Interim Dean
School of Management

Recommendation endorsed by:

Yener Kandogan, Interim Provost and 
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Donna Kay Fry, Interim Chancellor
University of Michigan-Flint

March 2024