SUMMARY OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS
REGENTS AGENDA
May 2023

ANN ARBOR, DEARBORN, AND FLINT CAMPUSES – Recommendations for approval

1. Promotions to the ranks of professor and associate professor, 2023 - 2024.

ANN ARBOR CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval

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


   *(2) Hastings, Michelle L., Ph.D., professor of pharmacology, with tenure, effective May 1, 2023, and as the Pfizer Upjohn Research Professor of Pharmacology, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

   (3) He, Ping, professor of molecular, cellular, and developmental biology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

   *(4) Kim, Jun H., Ph.D., professor of otolaryngology, with tenure, and professor of cell and developmental biology, without tenure, Medical School, effective April 1, 2023.

   (5) Reich, Peter B., professor of environment and sustainability, with tenure, School for Environment and Sustainability, effective August 28, 2023.

   *(6) Robinson, Bruce M., M.D., M.S., professor of internal medicine, with tenure, Medical School, effective April 1, 2023.

   (7) Ryan, John B., associate professor of communication and media, with tenure, and associate professor of political science, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.


   *(9) Taylor, Stephanie Parks, M.D., M.Sc., professor of internal medicine, with tenure, Medical School, effective April 1, 2023.

   (10) Viswanathan, Venkatasubramanian, associate professor of aerospace engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.


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

   *(12) Wells, Shane A., M.D., associate professor of radiology, with tenure, and associate professor of urology, without tenure, Medical School, effective April 1, 2023.

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

   (1) Akil, Huda, Ph.D., Gardner C. Quarton Collegiate Professor of Neurosciences, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also Gardner C Quarton Distinguished University Professor of Neurosciences, and professor of psychiatry, with tenure).

   (2) Archer, Steven M., M.D., Ida Lucy Iacobucci Collegiate Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences, with tenure).

   (3) Aristarkhova, Irina, professor in the Digital Studies Institute, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 (also professor of art and design, with tenure, Penny W. Stamps School of Art and Design).

   (4) Arruda, Ellen M., Tim Manganello/Borg Warner Department Chair of Mechanical Engineering, Department of Mechanical Engineering, College of Engineering, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2026 (also Maria Comninou Collegiate Professor of Mechanical Engineering, professor of mechanical engineering, with tenure, professor of macromolecular science and engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, and professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering and Medical School).

   (5) Arslanian-Engoren, Cynthia M., associate dean of faculty affairs and faculty development, School of Nursing, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 (also professor of nursing, with tenure).

   (6) Brooks, III, Charles L., Warner-Lambert/Parke-Davis Professor of Chemistry, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also Cyrus Levinthal Distinguished University Professor of Chemistry and Biophysics, director, Program in Biophysics, professor of chemistry, with tenure, and professor of biophysics, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and professor of macromolecular science and engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering).

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

(7) Cevidan, Lucia H.S., Drs. Thomas M. and Doris Graber Endowed Professor of Dentistry, School of Dentistry, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2028 (also professor of dentistry, with tenure).

(8) Chang, Soo-Eun, Ph.D., Rosa Casco Solano-Lopez Research Professor of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Medical School, effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2028 (also associate professor of psychiatry, with tenure).

(9) DeLancey, John O., M.D., Norman F. Miller Professor of Gynecology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of obstetrics and gynecology, with tenure, and professor of urology, without tenure).

(10) Douglas, Susan J., Catharine Neafie Kellogg Professor of Communication, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, and professor of communication and media, with tenure).

(11) Eisenberg, Marisa C., associate professor of complex systems, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 (also associate professor of epidemiology, with tenure, School of Public Health).

(12) Elner, Victor M., M.D., Ph.D., Ravitz Foundation Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences, with tenure, and professor of pathology, without tenure).

(13) Fontana, Margherita R., Clifford T. Nelson Endowed Professor, School of Dentistry, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2028 (also professor of dentistry, with tenure).

(14) Gallagher, Mary E., Amy and Alan Lowenstein Professor of Democracy, Democratization, and Human Rights, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also director, International Institute, and professor of political science, with tenure).

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

(15) Heidebrink, Judith L., M.D., Richard D. and Katherine M. O’Connor Research Professor of Alzheimer’s Disease, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also clinical professor, Department of Neurology).

(16) Liu, Mingyan, Peter and Evelyn Fuss Chair of Electrical and Computer Engineering, College of Engineering, effective June 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025 (also Alice L. Hunt Collegiate Professor of Engineering, and professor of electrical engineering and computer science, with tenure).

(17) Neamati, Nouri, John G. Searle Professor of Medicinal Chemistry, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028 (also professor of medicinal chemistry, with tenure).

(18) Neis, Rafael, Jean and Samuel Frankel Professor of Rabbinic Literature, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of Judaic studies, with tenure, and professor of history, with tenure).

(19) Nelson, Christine C., M.D., Bartley R. Frueh, M.D. and Frueh Family Collegiate Professor of Eye Plastics and Orbital Surgery, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences, with tenure, and professor of surgery, without tenure).

(20) Pozzi, Sara A., professor of physics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 (also University Diversity and Social Transformation Professor, and professor of nuclear engineering and radiological sciences, with tenure, College of Engineering).

(21) Pulkkinen, Tuija I., chair, Department of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023 through May 31, 2025 (also George R. Carignan Collegiate Professor of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, and professor of climate and space sciences and engineering, with tenure).

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

   (22) Terrenato, Nicola, director, Kelsey Museum of Archaeology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 (also Esther B. Van Deman Collegiate Professor of Roman Studies, and professor of classical archaeology, with tenure).

   (23) Waas, Anthony M., Felix W. Pawlowski Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2028 (also Richard A. Auhll Department Chair of Aerospace Engineering, professor of aerospace engineering, with tenure, and professor of mechanical engineering, without tenure).

   (24) Weatherson, Brian J., Marshall M. Weinberg Professor of Philosophy, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2028 (also professor of philosophy, with tenure).

   (25) Wellman, Michael P., Richard H. Orenstein Division Chair of Computer Science and Engineering, College of Engineering, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2024 (also Lynn A. Conway Collegiate Professor of Computer Science and Engineering, and professor of electrical engineering and computer science, with tenure).

   (26) Young, Virginia R., Cecil J. and Ethel M. Nesbitt Professor of Actuarial Mathematics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of mathematics, with tenure).

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

   (1) Adunbi, Omolade, professor of anthropology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 (also professor of Afroamerican and African studies, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and professor of law, without tenure, Law School).

   (2) Alexander, Joseph Trent, Collegiate Research Professor, U-M Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also research professor, Institute for Social Research).

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

(3) Armstrong, Elizabeth A., chair, Department of Sociology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 (also Sherry B. Ortner Collegiate Professor of Sociology, professor of sociology, with tenure, and professor of women’s and gender studies, without tenure).

*(4) Bishara, Norman D., Thomas C. Jones Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023 (also professor of business law, with tenure).

*(5) Ceccio, Steven L., interim dean, College of Engineering, effective June 1, 2023 (also Gloria M. Gorguze Professor of Engineering, professor of mechanical engineering, with tenure, and Professor of naval architecture and marine engineering, without tenure).

(6) Cesnik, Carlos E., Richard A. Auhll Department Chair of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028 (also Clarence L. (Kelly) Johnson Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering and professor of aerospace engineering, with tenure).

(7) de Pee, Christian, Richard Hudson Research Professor of History, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2024 through May 31, 2024 (also professor of history, with tenure).

(8) Elafros, Melissa A., M.D., Ph.D., Andrea and Lawrence A. Wolfe Research Professor, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027 (also assistant professor of neurology).

(9) Fong, Jessica, Sanford R. Robertson Assistant Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024 (also assistant professor of marketing).

(10) Gates, Deanna, associate professor of robotics, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023 (also associate professor of kinesiology, with tenure, School of Kinesiology, and associate professor of biomedical engineering, College of Engineering and Medical School).

(11) Gunckel, Colin A., chair, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027 (also associate professor of American culture, with tenure, and associate professor of film, television, and media, with tenure).
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4. Joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff.

(12) Hoffer, Kelly R., Helen Zell Visiting Professor of Creative Writing, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through May 31, 2026 (also lecturer, Department of English Language and Literature).

(13) Ibrahim, Andrew M., M.D., M.Sc., Maud T. Lane Research Professor, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027 (also assistant professor of surgery, Medical School, and assistant professor of architecture and urban planning, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning).

(14) Keppler, Samantha, NBD Bancorp Assistant Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024 (also assistant professor of technology and operations).

(15) Kunju, Lakshmi P., M.D., A. James French Professor of Anatomical Pathology, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027 (also clinical professor, Department of Pathology).

(16) Kwakye, Gifty, M.D., M.P.H., Arthur W. Fleming, M.D. Research Professor, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027 (also clinical associate professor, Department of Surgery).

(17) Liu, Henry X., professor of mechanical engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023 (also professor of civil and environmental engineering, with tenure).

(18) Mahesh, Krishnan, professor of mechanical engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023 (also Richard B. Couch Professor of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, professor of naval architecture and marine engineering, with tenure, and professor of aerospace engineering, without tenure).

(19) Michele, Daniel E., Ph.D., chair, Department of Molecular and Integrative Physiology, effective July 1, 2023, and as the John A. Jacquez Collegiate Professor of Physiology, Medical School, effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028 (also professor of molecular and integrative physiology, with tenure, and professor of internal medicine, without tenure).
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4. Joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff.

(20) Mir, Farina, associate professor in the Honors Program, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2024 (also Richard Hudson Research Professor of History, and associate professor of history, with tenure).

(21) Osborne, Nicholas H., M.D., Ramon Berguer, M.D., Ph.D. Research Professor of Vascular Surgery, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027 (also associate professor of surgery, with tenure).

(22) Paloff, Benjamin B., chair, Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 (also professor of Slavic languages and literatures, with tenure, and professor of comparative literature, with tenure).

(23) Queen, Robin M., professor of English language and literature, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 (also Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, chair, Department of Communication and Media, professor of linguistics, with tenure, and professor of Germanic languages and literatures, without tenure).

(24) Roberts, Jeffrey S., interim chair, Department of Health Behavior and Health Education, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2023 (also professor of health behavior and health education, with tenure).

(25) Roby, Bryan K., associate professor of Romance languages and literatures, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 (also associate professor of Judaic studies, with tenure, associate professor of Middle East studies, without tenure, and associate professor of history, without tenure).

(26) Sanders, Georgiana M., M.D., Kenneth P. Mathews, M.D. Collegiate Professor of Allergy and Immunology, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027 (also clinical professor, Department of Internal Medicine, clinical professor, Department of Pediatrics, and research associate professor, Mary H. Weiser Food Allergy Center).

(27) Sanders, Nathan J., chair, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 (also professor of ecology and evolutionary biology, with tenure).

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

(28) Sarma, Aruna V., Collegiate Research Professor, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also research professor, Department of Urology, Medical School, and research professor, Department of Epidemiology, School of Public Health).

(29) Smith, Karen E., chair, Department of Mathematics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 (also William Fulton Distinguished University Professor of Mathematics, and professor of mathematics, with tenure).

(30) Turcu, Adina, M.D., M.S., Roger Grekin, M.D. Collegiate Professor of Metabolism, Endocrinology and Diabetes, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027 (also associate professor of internal medicine, with tenure).

(31) Vemuri, Chandu, M.D., Marion and David Handleman Research Professor of Vascular Surgery, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027 (also clinical associate professor, Department of Surgery).

(32) von Moltke, Johannes E., interim chair, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 (also professor of Germanic languages and literatures, with tenure, and professor of film, television, and media, with tenure).

(33) Wells, Jonathan D., professor of communication and media, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 (also acting director, Residential College, professor of Afroamerican and African studies, with tenure, professor of history, without tenure, and professor in the Residential College, without tenure).

(34) Willingale, Louise, as associate professor of nuclear engineering and radiological sciences, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023 (also associate professor of electrical engineering and computer science, with tenure).

(35) Yang, Qiong, Ph.D., associate professor of cell and developmental biology, without tenure, Medical School, effective June 1, 2023 (also associate professor of biophysics, with tenure, and associate professor of physics, without tenure).

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

   (36) Yin, Yafeng, chair, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, College of Engineering, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028 (also professor of civil and environmental engineering, with tenure, and professor of industrial and operations engineering, without tenure).

   (37) Zemans, Rachel L., M.D., Henry Sewall Research Professor of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027 (also professor of internal medicine, with tenure).

   (38) Zhang, Yang, professor of materials science and engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023 (also professor of nuclear engineering and radiological sciences, with tenure).

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

   (1) Alfaro, Jose F., extension of a research leave of absence, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 (clinical associate professor, School for Environment and Sustainability).

   *(2) Reames, Tony G., intergovernmental personnel assignment leave of absence beyond one year, effective April 1, 2023 through January 20, 2025 (associate professor of environment and sustainability, with tenure, School for Environment and Sustainability).

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

   (1) Establishment of a new academic administrative position as vice provost for sustainability and climate action, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective June 1, 2023.

   (2) Establishment of a new academic administrative position as vice provost for undergraduate education, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective June 1, 2023.

   (3) Change in name of an existing unendowed collegiate professorship as the Bunyan Bryant Collegiate Professorship in Environmental Justice, School for Environment and Sustainability, effective May 1, 2023 (currently the James M. Crowfoot Collegiate Professorship in Environmental Justice).

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

(4) Establishment of an endowed professorship as the George G. Cameron Professorship, Department of Middle East Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective May 1, 2023.

(5) Establishment of an endowed professorship as the Alice Freeman Palmer Professorship, Department of History, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective May 1, 2023.

(6) Establishment of an endowed professorship as the Henry Pollack Professorship, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective May 1, 2023.

(7) Change in name of an existing endowed professorship as the Stewart C. Wang, M.D. Professorship in Trauma and Burn Surgery, Medical School, effective December 1, 2022 (currently the Stewart C. Wang, M.D. Professorship in Burn Surgery).

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

(1) Banks, Miranda J., John H. Mitchell Visiting Professor of Media Entertainment, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

(2) Culley, Christopher, associate vice president for planning and strategic initiatives, Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, effective May 19, 2023.

FLINT CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval

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

(1) Parker, Shandowyn L., associate dean for program support, College of Health Sciences, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025 (also associate professor of health education, with tenure, College of Health Sciences).

(2) Thwaite, Sapna, vice provost for academic affairs, Office of the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, effective June 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 (also associate dean of education, and associate professor of education, with tenure, School of Education and Human Services).

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

(1) Transfer of faculty appointments and tenure to the College of Arts and Sciences to the College of Innovation and Technology, effective July 1, 2023:

Jie Song to professor of biochemistry, with tenure
Matthew Fhaner to associate professor of biochemistry, with tenure
Jessica L. Kelts to associate professor of biochemistry, with tenure
Nicholas B. Kingsley to associate professor of biochemistry, with tenure
Jessica L. Tischler to associate professor of biochemistry, with tenure

(2) Transfer of faculty appointments and tenure to the College of Arts and Sciences to the College of Innovation and Technology, effective July 1, 2023:

Heather A. Dawson to professor of biology, with tenure
Randall Duncan to professor of biology, with tenure
Joseph F. Sucic to professor of biology, with tenure
Karmen M. Hollis-Etter to associate professor of biology, with tenure
Jerry D. Sanders to associate professor of biology, with tenure
Kevin Tang to associate professor of biology, with tenure
Jill Witt to associate professor of biology, with tenure

(3) Transfer of faculty appointments and tenure to the College of Arts and Sciences to the College of Innovation and Technology, effective July 1, 2023:

Ricardo Alfaro to professor of mathematics, with tenure
Lixing Han to professor of mathematics, with tenure
Mehrdad Simkani to professor of mathematics, with tenure
Shu-Yi Tu to professor of mathematics, with tenure
Daniel J. Coffield Jr. to associate professor of mathematics, with tenure
Cameron McLeman to associate professor of mathematics, with tenure
Laura McLeman to associate professor of mathematics, with tenure
Howard M. Thompson to associate professor of mathematics, with tenure

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

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Recommended promotions to the ranks

of professor and associate professor

2023-2024
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2023 FACULTY PROMOTIONS

A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning

Perry Kulper
Professor of Architecture, with tenure, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning

Larissa S. Larsen
Professor of Urban and Regional Planning, with tenure, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning

John D. McMorrough
Professor of Architecture, with tenure, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning

Ana Morcillo Pallarés*
Associate Professor of Architecture and Urban Planning, with tenure, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning

Stephen M. Ross School of Business

Catherine Shakespeare
Professor of Accounting, with tenure, Stephen M. Ross School of Business

School of Dentistry

Marco Bottino
Professor of Dentistry, with tenure, School of Dentistry

Mark Fitzgerald
Professor of Dentistry, with tenure, School of Dentistry

Nan E. Hatch
Professor of Dentistry, with tenure, School of Dentistry

Cristiane Squarize
Professor of Dentistry, with tenure, School of Dentistry

School of Education

Gina N. Cervetti
Professor of Education, with tenure, School of Education

College of Engineering

Kira L. Barton
Professor of Robotics, with tenure, and Professor of Mechanical Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering

Matthew D. Collette
Professor of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

Yue Fan*
Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

Evgeni Filipov*
Associate Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering, with tenure, and Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering

Bryan Goldsmith*
Associate Professor of Chemical Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

Robert M. Hovden*
Associate Professor of Materials Science and Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

Xianzhe Jia
Professor of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

Eric Johnsen
Professor of Mechanical Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

Manos Kapritsos*
Associate Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, with tenure, College of Engineering

Emmanouil S. Kioupakis
Professor of Materials Science and Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

Honglak Lee
Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, with tenure, College of Engineering

Kevin J. Maki
Professor of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

Martha M. Matuszak
Associate Professor of Nuclear Engineering and Radiological Sciences, without tenure, College of Engineering

Joi-Lynn Mondisa*
Associate Professor of Industrial and Operations Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

Emily K. Mower Provost
Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, with tenure, College of Engineering

Chinedum E. Okwudire
Professor of Mechanical Engineering, with tenure, and Professor of Integrative Systems and Design, without tenure, College of Engineering

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

NAME: Ibrahim Ekren

TITLE: Associate Professor of Mathematics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TENURE STATUS: With Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2023

APPOINTMENT PERIOD: University Year

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Mathematics and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Ibrahim Ekren as associate professor of mathematics, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
Ibrahim Ekren attended Ecole Polytechnique, Paris where he received his Diplôme D’ingénieur (engineering degree) in 2009 and the University of Paris 6-Pierre and Marie Curie where he received his Master of Science in probability and finance in 2019. He earned his doctorate in mathematics from the University of Southern California, Los Angeles in 2014.

Professional Record:
Following post-doctoral fellowships at ETH Zurich (2014-2017) and the University of Michigan (2017-2018), Professor Ekren began his instructional career as an assistant professor at Florida State University in 2018. In January 2023, he was promoted to associate professor, with tenure.

Summary of Evaluation:
Teaching: Professor Ekren is an excellent teacher with profound experience both at the undergraduate and graduate levels and a strong commitment to DEI initiatives. He has extensive teaching experience and consistently receives excellent teaching evaluations. His courses include topics such as numerical analysis and calculus II and calculus III, which correspond to the core courses in the department’s quantitative finance and risk management professional master’s program. Professor Ekren currently supervises four doctoral students and mentors a post-doctoral fellow and has been involved in mentoring high school students from underprivileged backgrounds.
Research: Professor Ekren is a respected scholar whose research portfolio contains significant contributions to pure and applied stochastic analysis, primarily inspired by problems in mathematical finance and related stochastic control problems. He developed a theory for the viscosity solutions of path dependent non-linear partial differential equations, which has appeared in a series of papers published in the *Annals of Probability*, a leading journal on theoretical probability. Professor Ekren’s work has attracted a lot of attention and three of his papers have garnered more than a hundred citations on Google Scholar, which is highly unusual for papers in mathematics. Since 2020, his research has been supported by the National Science Foundation.

Recent and Significant Publications:

Service: Professor Ekren has an excellent record of service. During his post-doctoral fellowship at Michigan, he served on the time-intensive admissions committee. At Florida State University, he has organized regular colloquia and seminar series and served on the graduate admissions committee and a faculty recruitment committee. He frequently speaks at mathematical finance seminars at leading institutions and appears at major conferences. Professor Ekren is also very active in reviewing articles for top journals in the fields of probability and mathematical finance.

External Reviewers:
Reviewer A: “My interaction with colleagues in the field has repeatedly confirmed my view that [Professor Ekren] is seen as a strong researcher with broad technical skills in the theory of PDEs and stochastic analysis.”

Reviewer B: “His work has always been of exceptionally high quality, and it keeps getting better. [Professor Ekren] is on an upward and accelerating trajectory.”

Reviewer C: “…it is hard to believe how many deep contributions to important and difficult problems inspired by financial theory Ibrahim has made in the last couple of years. I rank him among the very strongest technicians in the whole field…”

Reviewer D: “[Professor Ekren] is a top class researcher. His training and experience so far mean that he has a wide arsenal of tools, and he skillfully deploys them to make novel and insightful contributions in areas from stochastic analysis, stochastic control, PDEs to financial mathematics.”
Reviewer E: “…I would put Ibrahim Ekren as being clearly among the absolute best researchers of his generation and in his field.”

Reviewer F: “I have no doubt that he will develop in the next years as one of the brightest probabilists of his generation, and will continue to bring new ingredients to the probabilistic approach to partial differential equations.”

Summary of Recommendations:
Professor Ekren is a talented and energetic researcher with an excellent teaching and service record. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Ibrahim Ekren as associate professor of mathematics, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

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

May 2023
On the recommendation of Lori L. Isom, Ph.D., the Maurice H. Seevers Professor and chair of the Department of Pharmacology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Michelle L. Hastings, Ph.D. as professor of pharmacology, with tenure, effective May 1, 2023, and as the Pfizer Upjohn Research Professor of Pharmacology, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

Academic Degrees:
Michelle Hastings earned her B.A. degree in biology in 1992 from St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN, and her Ph.D. degree in biology in 1998 from Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI.

Professional Record:
In 2007, Dr. Hastings was appointed as an assistant professor at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science (RFUMS). In 2013, she was promoted to associate professor, received tenure in 2014, and was promoted to professor in 2020, all at RFUMS. Since 2018, Dr. Hastings has been the director of the Center for Genetic Disease at the Chicago Medical School, and since 2019, the vice chair of the Department of Cell Biology and Anatomy at the Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science.

Summary of Evaluation:
Dr. Hastings’ research focuses on understanding the genetic basis of diseases and discovering new therapeutics that modulate the process of pre-mRNA splicing to alter gene expression. Her work led to the discovery of effective means of targeting the splicing process with antisense molecules for the potential treatment of several neurodegenerative diseases. She has been consistently funded for this work with funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) (National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, National Institute on Aging, and National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases), and several foundation and industry grants including the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Forebatten Research Foundation, and ProMIS Neurosciences. She has a total of 49 peer reviewed publications in outstanding journals such as Neuroscience, Molecular Psychiatry, and PLOS One. In the past five years, she has been invited to present her research on more than 40 occasions all over the world including Croatia, Germany, Brazil, Korea, France, Italy, and Switzerland. Her research has been recognized by recent awards both from the Rosalind Franklin University via the Morris L. Parker
Research Award, regionally as a “Researcher to Know” by the Illinois Science and Technology Coalition, and nationally by being named as a Kavli Frontiers of Science Fellow by the National Academy of Sciences. She holds 11 patents and has three additional patents pending.

Recent and significant publications:


Dr. Hastings has dedicated a significant portion of her teaching effort toward both didactic and research-based teaching. She has taught medical, graduate, and pharmacy students on topics including Clinical Anatomy (MCBA500), Clinical Molecular and Cellular Biology (HBMS503), Clinical Skills and Reflections (MCCR606), Neurobehavioral Health (MCMS605), Introduction to Pharmacogenomics and Molecular Biology (YPHS609), Advanced Cell Biology (GCBA600), and Cellular and Molecular Developmental Biology (GIGP505) and Case Studies. Her teaching evaluations are very good to excellent, and she has two mentee letters attesting to the quality of her didactic lectures and the value of Dr. Hastings’ mentorship. She has mentored post-doctoral fellows, Ph.D. students, medical students, pharmacy students, undergraduate students, and high school students in research, as well as hosted visiting Ph.D. students, and provided mentorship to research and administrative staff. She has served on more than 20 dissertation committees for Ph.D., M.S., and undergraduate students. Many of her trainees have been awarded individual fellowships and gone on to successful careers in industry and academia.

External Reviewers:
Reviewer A: “An additional measure of the recognition of Dr. Hastings’ research is the fact that she has several invitations to speak at international meetings (Italy, France, Switzerland, and also in the USA). She has been consistently well-funded by the NIH and other Funding agencies. She has participated as an Ad Hoc reviewer for both NIH and NSF. She is also a member of the Editorial Board of Nucleic Acids Research and of the RNA Journal. She is also Director of the Center for Genetic Diseases at Rosalind Franklin University.”
Reviewer B: “Dr. Hastings is an outstanding RNA scientist with a strong international reputation and is much respected and liked in the RNA community. She has the strong scholarly qualification in terms of scholarly publications, both in quantity and particularly in quality, for a tenured professor post not only at the University of Michigan but also elsewhere, including my own institution.”

Reviewer C: “Dr. Hastings has many collaborators, which are all appropriate and appear to be strategic for a wide range of technical and disease-specific roles. She has also mentored a large number of trainees over the years including several that have competed for prestigious national fellowships/awards. I have no doubt that her near-hypnotic presentation skill set contributes to her motivational and educational abilities as a mentor.”

Reviewer D: “Over the past years, Dr. Hastings has been a very active and influential contributor to the pre-mRNA splicing and RNA therapeutics fields. The productivity of her group since joining Rosalind Franklin University in 2007 is impressive. In addition to the publication record, the securing of competitive grants from the NIH and other resources should be viewed as highly meritorious. Thus, I enthusiastically recommend that Dr. Michelle Hastings will be appointed to Professor with tenure...”

Reviewer E: “…Michelle has performed cutting edge research as seen by her impressive list of publications. She is a leader in the field of applying Antisense Oligonucleotides (ASO) to modulate splicing as a treatment for various genetic diseases...a great asset to any institution and an excellent colleague, that any department would be happy to have.”

Reviewer F: “...her extramural speaking record at academic institutions and conferences, both local and abroad, is extensive. As well, her research is consistently and well-funded with grant support from the National Institutes of Health and numerous private foundations...has served as an NIH study section member, and as an ad hoc reviewer for NIH, NSF, and other grant-awarding foundations. She is on the Scientific Advisory Board of Quralis and ProMIS Neurosciences, a charter board member of the Society for RNA Therapeutics, and is on the editorial board of Nucleic Acids Research, RNA Journal, and the Journal of Neurochemistry. She was a 2022 National Academy of Sciences Kavli Frontier of Science Scholar...[her] commitment to service is sincere and extensive.”

Reviewer G: “Her work in this area has been featured in Nature Medicine and PNAS, and is opening an important field of splice-based therapy. This strategy has a substantial opportunity to treat multiple genetic diseases, including cystic fibrosis and other genetic disease where the treatment opportunity is poor...She is highly active in research mentorship, contributing to over 18 trainees as Postdoctoral fellows, PhD students, and Physicians. Several have received competitive research awards. She has also contributed to dozens of student committees internally and externally. As [sic] with her research career, she crosses multiple scientific disciplines in her efforts.”

Reviewer H: “For the overall impact of her entire oeuvre, I consider Prof. Hastings one of the most outstanding academic researchers in the field of oligonucleotide therapeutics, with particular leadership demonstrated in splice-correcting oligonucleotides in particular.”

Dr. Hastings has an extensive service record. Internationally, she has been active in the International RNA Society and has done committee work for the American Society of Gene and Cell Therapy. Nationally, she just completed a term as a standing member of an NIH study second and has served as an ad hoc reviewer on five other NIH study sections, for the NSF and several foundations since 2018. She is on the editorial board of four journals including RNA Therapeutics Society, RNA Journal, the Journal of Neurochemistry, and Nucleic Acids Research. She performs ad hoc reviews for over 20 top...
biomedical journals. Her institutional service is likewise extensive, including membership on many search committees, on the chair performance committee, faculty executive committee, graduate studies oversight, and graduate admissions, among many others. She was appointed as the director of the Center for Genetic Disease in 2018 and she has served as the vice chair for the Department of Cell Biology and Anatomy since 2019 at RFUMS. Upon approval of her appointment at the University of Michigan, she will be appointed as the director of the new M-RNA Therapeutics program within the Biosciences Initiative Center for RNA Biomedicine at the University of Michigan.

Summary of Recommendations:
Dr. Hastings is a brilliant scientist who has established an international reputation for outstanding research in the area of RNA biology. She has made impactful contributions to the field of mRNA splicing to develop therapeutic interventions using innovative ASO modalities. Her strategy has provided substantial new opportunities to treat multiple genetic diseases, including cystic fibrosis and other genetic diseases where current treatment options are poor. Her career has featured outstanding contributions across teaching, research, and service missions. Dr. Hastings has demonstrated a strong commitment to graduate education and training and to increasing diversity in the STEM fields. She has made many valuable contributions to the development of junior scientists in her career. She has made outstanding service contributions and will continue to do so at the University of Michigan. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Michelle L. Hastings, Ph.D. as professor of pharmacology, with tenure, effective May 1, 2023, and as the Pfizer Upjohn Research Professor of Pharmacology, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

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

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

April 2023

INTERIM APPROVAL GRANTED
ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval

NAME: Ping He

TITLE: Professor of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TENURE STATUS: With Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2023

APPOINTMENT PERIOD: University Year

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Ping He as professor of molecular, cellular, and developmental biology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
Ping He received his Bachelor of Science in plant breeding and genetics from China Agricultural University in 1993. He attended the Chinese Academy of Sciences where he earned his Master of Science in genetics in 1998 and his doctorate in genetics in 2001. He then earned a second doctorate in plant pathology from Kansas State University in 2003.

Professional Record:
Following a post-doctoral fellowship at Harvard Medical School (2003-2008), Professor He joined the faculty at Texas A&M University as an assistant professor in 2009. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2013, and to a professor in 2017.

Summary of Evaluation:
Teaching: Professor He is a dedicated and passionate teacher who has mentored many graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, and undergraduate students. He regularly includes students and post-doctoral fellows in his research and has worked with more than ninety undergraduate students to date. He has taught undergraduate and graduate courses in molecular genetics, biochemical genetics, biochemical literature, and biochemical research. Due to his excellent mentoring and teaching record, the department anticipates that Professor He will be an outstanding mentor in the UROP program and a natural candidate to teach the department’s genetics course.

Research: Professor He is an internationally recognized scientist who specializes in the study of several pathways controlling plant innate immunity. His combination of genetic, biochemical, and chemical expertise has enabled his lab to discover new players in plant innate and
autoimmunity, furthering our understanding of their biochemical mechanisms. His work has revealed a remarkable diversity of cell surface receptors that bind to pathogen-derived and plant-derived molecules that are released upon pathogen-induced damage. Professor He’s work is published in prestigious journals such as Cell, Nature Communications, and Nature Plants. Because of his innovative projects, exciting discoveries, and outstanding publication record, his lab has been well funded by the NIH, NSF, USDA, and private foundations. Professor He has also received several awards, including the 2013 National Science Foundation Career Award, 2018 Vice Chancellor’s Award for Excellence for Research at Texas A&M, and the 2022 Outstanding Alumni Award from the Chinese Academy of Sciences.

Recent and Significant Publications:

Service: Professor He has a strong service record to both the academic community and the field. Since 2014, he has served as an international consultant for the National Institute for Science and Technology in Plant-Pest Interactions. He currently serves as the senior editor of the flagship journal Molecular Plant-Microbe Interactions and is an editorial board member of Stress Biology and Plant Communications. Professor He regularly reviews manuscripts for scientific journals and has served as a reviewer for grant agencies including NSF, NIH, USDA, and international agencies. During his time at Texas A&M, he served on several committees such as the graduate recruitment and admission committee, awards committee, and promotion and tenure committee. Professor He has also hosted seminars and workshops in collaboration with the JRBiotek Foundation and an NSF-sponsored Green Immunology workshop for underrepresented undergraduate students.
External Reviewers:

Reviewer A: “...I have to say for years, whenever there was a cause to make comparison, either in suggesting names to colleagues as a potential candidate or in casual discussions about the disease signaling areas, I always refer to Prof. He and the He and Shan team as among the most imminent [sic] around the world, and hands-down the top group in the U.S.”

Reviewer B: “I am confident that you will not only be gaining a champion scientists [sic] and educator—one that will serve UM of [sic] tirelessly – but will above all that be gaining a great colleague and collaborator.”

Reviewer C: “Dr. He is an international leader in the field of molecular plant-microbe interactions (MPMI).”

Reviewer D: “What distinguishes Ping He is the courage to explore new research avenues and to not just conduct creative genetic screens, but to also follow up gene discoveries with high quality biochemical investigations of protein mechanisms.”

Reviewer E: “Dr. He is unquestionably a top tier scientist in his discipline and also can be expected to continue to be a tremendous asset for any institution that recruits him.”

Reviewer F: “Dr. He has established a highly productive, internationally known and well-funded plant immunity program. He has made and continues to make significant and fundamental contributions to understanding signaling network regulation in plant immunity.”

Summary of Recommendations:
Professor He is a highly accomplished researcher and mentor. He will continue to make significant contributions to the field as well the department and university. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Ping He as professor of molecular, cellular, and developmental biology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

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

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval

NAME: Jun H. Kim, Ph.D.

TITLE: Professor of Otolaryngology, and Professor of Cell and Developmental Biology, Medical School

TENURE STATUS: With Tenure (Otolaryngology)
Without Tenure (Cell and Developmental Biology)

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2023

APPOINTMENT PERIOD: 12 Months

On the recommendation of Mark E. Prince, M.D., the Charles J. Krause Collegiate Professor and chair of the Department of Otolaryngology, and Pierre 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 Jun H. Kim, Ph.D. as professor of otolaryngology, with tenure, and professor of cell and developmental biology, without tenure, Medical School, effective April 1, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
Jun Kim received her B.S. in food and nutrition in 1997 from the Sungshin Woman University, Seoul, South Korea. She earned an M.S. in medicine in 2001 and her Ph.D. degree in 2004, both from Sungkyunkwan University Medical School in Suwon, South Korea.

Professional Record:
In 2010, Dr. Kim was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Texas at San Antonio. She was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2017, and to professor, with tenure, in September 2022.

Summary of Evaluation:
Dr. Kim’s research focus is on the mechanisms underlying auditory deficits related to neurodevelopmental and neurodegenerative disorders. She investigates synaptic function within the auditory system using in vivo electrophysiology, brain slide patch-clamp recording, live-cell Ca2+ imaging, electron microscopy, and immunohistochemistry. She is noted to have made key insights into communication between neurons and oligodendrocytes which were published in high-impact journals and bring mechanistic insights as well as having disease applications. Dr. Kim has been highly successful in supporting her research throughextramural funding from the National Institute for Deafness and Communication Disorders, the National Institute on Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS), and the National Institutes of Health (NIH), with...
two additional R01s and a DOD grant in submission. She has authored 32 peer-reviewed publications in high-impact journals such as Cell Reports, Nature Neuroscience, and the Journal of Neurophysiology. She has been invited on 41 occasions to deliver extramural talks regionally, nationally, and internationally including in Korea, and the United Kingdom.

Recent and significant publications:

Dr. Kim has distinguished herself through her tremendous commitment to the teaching missions at her current institution and department. Dr. Kim’s teaching experience involves working with undergraduate, graduate, and post-doctoral students in the research laboratory, as well as through didactic lectures for graduate and dental/medical schools. She has been the co-director and key lecturer of several courses in the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (UTHSCSA) Dental School and Graduate School programs. She had served as the co-director for Student Journal Club and Research Presentation (IMBS 7010) for six years at UTHSCSA. Dr. Kim has also given lectures on Physiology (PHLY 5013) for dental/medical school students since 2015 and several key lectures for her research expertise in neurophysiology (e.g. Auditory Neurophysiology and Glia biology). Her history of training and mentoring successfully emerging scientists including undergraduate and graduate students, international medical students, and future clinicians bespeaks of her research knowledge and commitment to training the next generation of scientists and clinicians. Dr. Kim is expected to participate significantly in the department’s teaching mission. Dr. Kim will be fully engaged in our academic teaching program including lectures to medical students, residents, fellows, graduate students, and ancillary staff as required.

External Reviewers:
Reviewer A: “Dr. Kim has been highly productive. Since her promotion to Associate Professor in Fall 2017, she has published at least 12 peer-reviewed papers, mostly as senior author, with publications in high-profile journals. She has been continuously funded and is currently PI on three NIH grants. She is a sought-after speaker. She has contributed considerable levels of service and has been actively involved in teaching and graduate training.”
Reviewer B: “Dr. Kim has ample teaching and mentoring experience. She has successfully mentored a large number of undergrads, PhD students and postdoctoral fellows, as also evidenced by their contributions to publications. She is teaching in several classes. She has served on dissertation committees. She supports the graduate program by serving on the Committee for Graduate studies and the Admissions committee of the Graduate School.”

Reviewer C: “Dr. Kim was one of the founders of this research area in the auditory field, and she has become its leader and pioneer. Her research has revealed many important novel and unexpected processes and mechanisms of oligodendrocyte-neuron interactions. Dr. Kim’s publications not only provide new fundamental insights into the basic biological, cellular, and synaptic mechanisms underlying central auditory processing and its plasticity during development and aging but also contribute to the understanding of the mechanisms that underly prevalent neurological diseases such as autism or Alzheimer's disease.”

Reviewer D: “She is well funded with two R01 projects and an R21. She has published this work in excellent journals, and these studies have an impact in the field. She has had several graduate students while in Texas, but more postdoctoral fellows, most of whom have had high quality first author publications. She has had extensive university service, including teaching and committee work. She has been asked to review grants for several NIH study sections and manuscripts for many journals.”

Reviewer E: “First, her publications are first-rate, and nearly all are in top journals in the field. This record attests to the quality and general interest of research...Second, since beginning her first faculty position at UT Health San Antonio, she has developed independent research directions and has been quite successful in obtaining funding for her projects...Third, her experiments are technically quite difficult, requiring patch-clamp recording from a small presynaptic structure and, in some experiments, simultaneous recording from the associated postsynaptic cell. Although this approach has been established for about two decades, it remains challenging, and there are only a handful of laboratories in the world that continue to perform such experiments.”

Dr. Kim’s service while in rank has included being a member of the institutional committees for Graduate Studies and Graduate Admissions. Departmentally, she serves on committees for Faculty Recruitment, Qualifying Examinations, and Teaching Oversight. Notably, while on the Faculty Recruitment Committee, which includes a chair of the faculty search committee (2017-2018), she contributed to the recruitment of seven new faculties in the department. Dr. Kim has consistently upheld the highest level of ethical integrity both as a scientist and as a citizen in the institute. In addition, as a woman scientist, she will provide a strong role model for aspiring woman scientists and clinicians at the institution. Dr. Kim has served as an ad hoc external grant reviewer for NIH study sections and foundation grants as well as manuscript reviews for several prestigious journals.
Summary of Recommendations:
Dr. Kim is a neurophysiologist with a clear national and international reputation in the field of auditory defects and associated neurodevelopmental and neurodegenerative disorders. She has a strong track record of teaching and mentoring, and her national service is respectable. I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Jun H. Kim, Ph.D. as professor of otolaryngology, with tenure, and professor of cell and developmental biology, without tenure, Medical School, effective April 1, 2023.

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

April 2023

INTERIM APPROVAL
GRANTED
With the approval of the Executive Committee and faculty of the School for Environment and Sustainability we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Peter B. Reich as professor of environment and sustainability, with tenure, School for Environment and Sustainability, effective August 28, 2023.

ACADEMIC DEGREES
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).

PROFESSIONAL RECORD
Professor Reich was a post-doctoral associate at Cornell University before joining the faculty at the University of Wisconsin (Madison) as an assistant professor. He was promoted to associate in 1989. In 1991, he joined the University of Minnesota as a professor and the F.B. Hubachek, Sr. Chair, a member of the graduate faculties in Ecology, Evolution and Behavior; Forest Ecology and Management; Plant Biological Sciences; and Conservation Biology Programs. He was subsequently appointed as the Distinguished McKnight University Professor (2003), and Regents professor (2007). Other appointments include resident fellow, University of Minnesota Institute on the Environment (2009-present). He also served as the founding director (2011-13) then chief scientist (2013-2021), and Distinguished Professor, International (2021-present) at the Hawkesbury Institute for the Environment, Western Sydney University, Richmond, NSW, Australia. Professor Reich joined the University of Michigan as the director of the newly formed Institute for Global Change Biology in 2021.

SUMMARY OF EVALUATION
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.

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.

PUBLICATIONS
Gatti RC, PB Reich, et al. 2022. The number of tree species on Earth. Proc Nat Acad Sci 119 (6), e2115329119

EXCERPTS FROM EXTERNAL REVIEWERS
Reviewer A: “Regarding peers, Peter is unquestionably one of an elite group in plant and ecosystem ecology, along with the likes of Dave Tilman, Steve Pacala, Chris Field, and Hal Mooney. The thing that distinguishes him from this group, quite frankly, is his modesty and easy manner - he doesn’t show off about his contributions, and he has perhaps spent less time on the international circuit playing the senior statesman role in broader scientific communities. Within our research community, however, I think you will find him not only respected but universally liked in a way that few people at his level of accomplishment sustain.”
Reviewer B: “With a dossier like this there’s not much more to say. Peter is outstanding, both in scholarship and as an organizer of collaborative efforts that have had huge impact, first on
ecophysiology and then on global change ecology… In an age of literature overload, Dr. Reich’s papers are still a must-read for anyone working on global change ecology. Letters like mine are hardly needed with this list of accomplishments, including extraordinary publication rates, funding, and honorifics.”

Reviewer C: “This request came as a surprise, indeed. How could one dare to ‘assess’ one out of a handful of the very best plant ecologists worldwide for such a position? Peter Reich is a super star in this field of sciences, and the faculty could find nobody better to organize this new Institute of Global Change Biology.”

Reviewer D: “This should be an open & shut case for you… I had no idea that Peter Reich was ‘mobile,” and he is a great catch for the University of Michigan. He would easily be appointed at the highest rank at [my institute], where I was Dean of the…of the Environment.… He has my highest recommendation as an addition to your faculty.”

Reviewer E: “There can be no doubt that Peter Reich is a highly productive, internationally-recognized scientist with multiple outstanding accomplishments in the field of global change biology … I think there can be no doubt that he’s one of the best scientists now working in the field…”

SUMMARY
Professor Reich is an excellent fit, an asset to SEAS and the Institute for Global Change Biology, and a remarkably strong resource for UM as a whole. His appointment will strengthen our school, as well as its relationship with collaborating units across campus. His ranking as #1 scientist in the world in the field of ecology and evolution, his impressive research and funding record speak for themselves. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Peter B. Reich a professor of environment and sustainability, with tenure, School for Environment and Sustainability, effective August 28, 2023.

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

May 2023
On the recommendation of Raymond Yung, M.B., Ch.B. 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 Bruce M. Robinson, M.D., M.S. as professor of internal medicine, with tenure, Department of Internal Medicine, Medical School, effective April 1, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
Bruce Robinson received his B.S. in biology in 1989 from Stanford University, Stanford, CA. He earned his M.D. in 1994 from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, and his M.S. degree in 2004 from the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

Professional Record:
In 1998, Dr. Robinson was appointed as a clinical instructor, and appointed in 1999 as an assistant professor at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, TX. He was then appointed as an instructor from 2003-2005 at the University of Pennsylvania. From 2005 to 2007, Dr. Robinson worked for Merck Research Laboratories in Upper Gwynedd, Pennsylvania, serving as the associate director of clinical pharmacology (2005-2006) and then as the associate director of cardiovascular clinical research (2006-2007). In 2007, Dr. Robinson joined the staff of Arbor Research Collective for Health as the vice president for clinical research, holding this position through November 2022. In 2008, he was appointed as an adjunct assistant professor within the Department of Internal Medicine, Division of Nephrology, at the University of Michigan. As of December 2022, he currently serves as an associate investigator in the Ann Arbor Veterans Affairs Center for Clinical Management Research.

Summary of Evaluation:
Dr. Robinson’s research focuses on studying the epidemiology of advanced and end-stage kidney disease and associated dialysis, as well as evaluating and designs and evaluates experimental methods to evaluate and implement interventions to improve outcomes in advanced kidney disease. Dr. Robinson has been successful in obtaining funding to support his research and is
currently a multi-principal investigator (MPI) on the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Cure Glomerulonephropathy Research Network (CureGN) Data Coordinating Center (U24DK100845) where he oversees clinical data core and outcomes research in support of longer-term study goals. He has a track record of funding from federal and industry sponsors, in both the PI and co-investigator roles. During his tenure at Arbor Research, he was the scientific director of the Dialysis Outcomes and Practice Patterns Study (DOPPS) Program. Dr. Robinson has published over 220 peer-reviewed articles, publishing in high-impact nephrology journals including *Kidney International Reports*, *Nephrology*, and the *Journal of the American Society of Nephrology*. He has been a visiting professor on three instances and has been invited on 55 occasions to deliver extramural talks on his expertise nationally and internationally including in Austria, Brazil, Canada, China, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Slovenia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, and Turkey. As a professor, he will undoubtedly continue to develop a research program of distinction through the acquisition of external peer-reviewed research funding which would support a portion of his academic salary.

**Recent and significant publications:**


Dr. Robinson has a strong interest in education and teaching, investing in the professional development of early-career scientists through direct mentorship as well as through programmatic design. He has mentored several investigators in his role as the vice president for clinical research at Arbor Research Collaborative for Health. He has mentored graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, and doctoral-level mentees, most of whom have gone on to academic or other research positions at leading universities and institutions. An impressive number of publications have resulted from each of these mentor-trainee relationships. Through the Dialysis Outcomes and Practice Patterns Study (DOPPS) program, he has mentored many early to mid-career investigators including international mentees from Japan, Brazil, China, and France. He has served on two
dissertation committees. Dr. Robinson has actively participated in the University of Michigan Kidney Research T32 Training Program as a program faculty member, mentoring nephrology fellows. His commitment to teaching, creating opportunities for co-authorship among mentees, and strong leadership and interpersonal skills. As a Professor, Dr. Robinson will continue to teach residents, fellows, and medical students rotating through the training programs of the division.

External Reviewers:
Reviewer A: “Dr. Robinson’s work is of the highest quality. ...he has written extensively on a variety of clinically and scientifically important topics. Dr. Robinson is clearly a leader in the field of nephrology. ...he has made extensive contributions to nephrology.”

Reviewer B: “Dr. Robinson is a highly accomplished clinical epidemiologist with a major focus on kidney disease and associated complications. He has led, for many years, the Dialysis Outcomes and Practice Patterns Study, a multi-national observational of patients receiving maintenance hemodialysis, and, more recently, PD-DOPPS and CKD DOPPS, addressing peritoneal dialysis and chronic kidney disease. These studies have had a major impact in nephrology, informing both research and clinical care worldwide. Several of the most influential clinical trials in dialysis have been motivated by findings from DOPPS, and DOPPS data has been highlighted at all of the Controversies Conferences of the Kidney Disease Improving Global Outcomes (KDIGO) organization addressing topics in dialysis…He has authored more than 200 peer-reviewed original investigations as well as several review articles and editorials, and many of his papers have been published in the highest impact nephrology journals.”

Reviewer C: “In addition to his research endeavors, Dr. Robinson has provided service and demonstrated leadership. As Vice President for Clinical Research at the Arbor Research Collaborative for Health, Dr. Robinson has demonstrated leadership and built teams to receive funding for and conducting research. He has been an active mentor facilitating the career growth for many scientists at all levels. Dr. Robinson has mentored students as a member of a dissertation committee and mentored faculty members having served as a primary and supporting mentor on K awards. He has made contributions to the scientific community. This includes serving as a peer reviewer for numerous medical journals. Additionally, since 2017, Dr. Robinson has served on the editorial board for the American Journal of Kidney Diseases.”

Reviewer D: “Since early 2000, he has been funded by various federal agencies including the National Institutes of Health, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services, PCORI and CDC for various research projects. ...he is also serving as a Co-PI for the CureGN data coordinating center… Dr. Robinson has collaborated with eminent researchers around the country on several other projects…Dr. Robinson has also served as a dedicated mentor for several analysts, biostatisticians over the years and trained the next generation of scientists. Given his international reputation, he has been invited to lecture every year during the annual American Society of Nephrology meeting and at several centers across the world.”

Reviewer E: “…Dr. Robinson has a demonstrated an outstanding track record of exceptionally high level, nationally and internationally recognized scholarship as a physician/scientist. He is highly published in high impact journals and very well-funded. His leadership for the Dialysis Outcomes and Practice Patterns Study (DOPPS) had contributed to great advances in CKD care..”
Reviewer F: “Dr. Robinson’s contribution to science is outstanding. He is an acknowledged expert in the epidemiology of kidney disease and a clinical trialist. His contribution to the DOPPS program and Cure-GN cohort are impressive. He has 221 peer reviewed publications. He has been an invited speaker (44 lectures) at all the major nephrology societies in recognition of his work. He has been an active reviewer in many journals and is on the editorial board of [the] American Journal of Kidney Disease.”

Dr. Robinson’s service while in rank includes his clinical interests in optimizing the transition to end-stage kidney disease, hypertension and cardiovascular disease in advanced and end-stage kidney disease, and anemia in advanced and end-stage kidney disease. He has clinical effort at the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System. Dr. Robinson was also the founding director of the Arbor Research Mentoring for Advancement of Research Scientist (MARS) Program, founded in 2016, and developed to provide support and mentoring for the academic advancement of early/mid-career doctoral-level scientists. He is on the editorial board of the American Journal of Kidney Diseases and is on the board of directors of the Kidney Health Initiative Drugs Committee. He has been an ad hoc peer-reviewer for eight journals and is a member of six professional societies. As a professor, Dr. Robinson will continue to engage in active mentoring as well as develop other service and leadership interests both institutionally and externally.

Summary of Recommendations:
Dr. Robinson is a very prominent and productive physician-scientist who has made significant contributions to studying the epidemiology of advanced and end-stage kidney disease and associated dialysis, as well as evaluating and implementing novel interventions to improve outcomes. His work has gained national recognition and established him as an expert in the field. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Bruce M. Robinson, M.D., M.S. as professor of internal medicine, with tenure, Department of Internal Medicine, Medical School, effective April 1, 2023.

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

April 2023

INTERIM APPROVAL
GRANTED
On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Communication and Media, the Department of Political Science, and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of John B. Ryan as associate professor of communication and media, with tenure, and associate professor of political science, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
John Ryan received his Bachelor of Arts in communication from Boston College in 2001 and earned his doctorate in political science from the University of California, Davis in 2009.

Professional Record:
Professor Ryan began his instructional career as an assistant professor at Florida State University in 2009. He joined the faculty at Stony Brook University as an assistant professor in 2014 where he was promoted to an associate professor, with tenure, in 2016, and to professor in 2022.

Summary of Evaluation:
Teaching: Professor Ryan is an engaged instructor with strong teaching and advising experience at the undergraduate and graduate levels. His teaching evaluations are consistently high in both undergraduate and graduate courses and he has a demonstrated commitment to fostering an inclusive and equitable environment. He draws on student feedback when designing the next iteration of a course and focuses on providing students with relatable content and as a sense of community and individualized attention. Within his graduate advising and mentorship, Professor Ryan focuses largely on mentoring students toward being academic professionals and frequently includes graduate students in his published work. In 2022, he received the 2021 Frank Meyers Undergraduate Teaching Award in the Stony Brook Department of Political Science.
Research: Professor Ryan is a political scientist who studies several areas of political communication, most notably social communication in relation to political decision-making, affective polarization, and the efficacy of ambiguous rhetoric in political messaging. He is well known as a meticulous and rigorous experimentalist and quantitative methodologist. His early work on interpersonal communication on discussant effects in social networks is notable because he employs rigorous measurement and experiments. Professor Ryan’s work on affective polarization is creative and intellectually brave, making an argument about polarization being catalyzed by people dropping out of the middle. In the U.S., people are not just becoming independent or not voting, they are being repelled by the vitriol and exiting the public square which increases the intensity of the polarization people experience when they engage in politics socially. Professor Ryan has co-authored four books (edited collections and monographs) that have all been published by Cambridge University Press. He also has published thirty peer-reviewed articles and has an h-index of 19. His work has been cited over 1,300 times, with two articles on affective polarization being his most widely cited work.

Recent and Significant Publications:

Service: Professor Ryan’s record of service shows numerous and significant contributions at both the disciplinary and institutional levels. He has served on the editorial boards for Political Behavior, Political Research Quarterly, and Research and Politics, and currently serves as an associate editor for the Journal of Experimental Political Science. In addition to his service on several award and program committees, he was a member of the executive board for the APSA Division of Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior as well as a National Science Foundation panelist in the division of social and economic sciences. At Stony Brook, Professor Ryan was a member of the department’s executive committee, search committees, and graduate and undergraduate committees. He also served as the director of undergraduate studies (2017-2022) where he focused on making policies and procedures easier to navigate, particularly for students who may not have the support necessary to recognize the nuances and minutiae of such matters. Under his leadership, the number of students of color in the undergraduate major increased from 39% to 54%. Further, he has focused on programmatic changes that make the academic experiences of minoritized, immigrant, and first-generation undergraduate and graduate students more transparent and equitable.

External Reviewers:
Reviewer A: “In recent years he has made significant contributions to the study of affective polarization in the US context… I would place him well above average for his peer group.”
Reviewer B: “...I consider Dr. Ryan to be among the political and communication scientists in the late associate / early full professor range whose work I consider top notch, and that I make special effort to read when I have the time.”

Reviewer C: “To date, I think that the research on interpersonal communication and its effects on vote choice and the new work on political knowledge will have the most impact on the field going forward.”

Reviewer D: “Based on his insightful publications and service record, Dr. Ryan has contributed much to the field of political communication and is poised to continue doing so. His current research trajectory suggests that he will continue to make strong contributions to the field in the future.”

Reviewer E: “The quality of the placements in Dr. Ryan’s file are in the higher tier of files I have reviewed... Dr. Ryan’s research portfolio shows high quantity and high quality.”

Reviewer F: “It strikes me as completely uncontroversial that Professor Ryan has earned a tenured appointment at your institution... It is difficult to imagine that Professor Ryan would not continue to publish at a high rate...”

Summary of Recommendations:
Professor Ryan has an excellent record as a political communication scholar and has made important contributions to the field through his publications to date. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of John B. Ryan as associate professor of communication and media, with tenure, and associate professor of political science, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

May 2023
On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Libo Shan as professor of molecular, cellular, and developmental biology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
Libo Shan received her Bachelor of Science in biochemistry from Beijing Normal University in 1995 and her Master of Science in genetics from the Chinese Academy of Sciences in 1998. She earned her doctorate in plant pathology from Kansas State University in 2003.

Professional Record:
Following a post-doctoral fellowship at Harvard Medical School (2003-2008), Professor Shan began her instructional career as an assistant professor at Texas A&M University in 2009. She was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2013, and to professor in 2016.

Summary of Evaluation:
Teaching: Professor Shan is an engaging speaker and effective communicator. She has taught two large enrollment courses and several smaller enrollment courses at Texas A&M that will translate well to the department’s curriculum. She also developed a large enrollment course for a new major titled “Introduction to the Bioenvironmental Sciences” that was created to reinvigorate and reimagine the existing plant biology major. This successful effort provides a roadmap for the department’s “Green Sciences Initiative” where current faculty are collaborating with other units to develop a major that fuses environmental and sustainability interests with molecular biology. Professor Shan is devoted to mentoring students and post-doctoral fellows and strives to recruit first-generation students and students from marginalized communities to her research group.

Research: Professor Shan is a world leader in the study of plant innate immunity, especially the regulation of pattern recognition receptors. She explores how plants respond to infection by pathogenic bacteria and her contributions have been key in advancing the knowledge on immune signaling and regulation for controlling bacterial infection success. Additionally, she has led plant immunity research in a crop plant cotton, extending fundamental research to agricultural
applications. Professor Shan’s work is highly productive and has been published in the most prestigious journals such as *Nature*, *Science*, *PNAS*, *Nature Plants*, *Nature Communications*, *Cell*, *Cell Host & Microbe*, and *Current Biology*. She has been awarded grants from the NIH, USDA, NSF, and Welch Foundation. The former particularly demonstrates the broad application of her research beyond the model plants since the NIH aims to fund research that will improve human health. Professor Shan’s achievement and status in the field is evident by the numerous seminar invitations and awards she has received. In 2014, she received the Charles Albert Shull Award from the American Society of Plant Biologists, the highest honor for early-career investigators in the field of plant biology, and in 2022 she received the Distinguished Achievement Award in Research from Texas A&M.

**Recent and Significant Publications:**


**Service:** Professor Shan’s service record is a testament to her status in the research field and academic community. She currently serves as the editor of two major journals (*The Plant Cell* and *PLoS Pathogens*), recently ended a longstanding editor role for *Molecular Plant Pathology*, and serves as an editorial board member for *The Arabidopsis Book*. She is also a standing member of the NIH Cellular Signaling and Regulatory Systems Study Section, routinely reviews manuscripts and grants for national and international scientific journals and grant agencies, and has served as a reviewer for grant proposals for several federal grant agencies, including NSF, NIH, USDA-NIFA, and international funding agencies. During her time at Texas A&M, Professor Shan made significant service contributions as the director of the Borlaug Institute for Plant Genomics and Biotechnology. She also served on many different departmental, college, and university committees including the graduate student recruitment committee, undergraduate student curriculum committee, faculty recruitment committee, university research development fund selection committee, and faculty advisor for the Genome Editing Symposia. She also chaired and organized three consecutive years of the annual Molecular and Environmental Plant Sciences (MEPS)
symposia, an interdepartmental graduate student program that provides academic training and research experiences beyond those offered by traditional departments.

**External Reviewers:**

**Reviewer A:** “The broad impact of Dr. Shan’s research is obvious... The level of productivity puts her at the very top of her peer group as well as of the entire field.”

**Reviewer B:** “Dr. Shan is clearly a leading scientist in plant immunity and plant signaling. She is one of the top three or so scientists in the field of RPP immunity which is one of the fastest growing and frontline fields in plant biology.”

**Reviewer C:** “Of the many [junior] faculty I have watched develop and reviewed over the past 30 years (including scholars from Stanford, Cornell, UC Davis, U Wisconsin, etc), whether in the area of plant innate immunity or beyond, Dr. Shan is easily in the top 1%.”

**Reviewer D:** “Clear indications of [Professor Shan’s] stature in the field are her many speaking invitations, publications in top-shelf journals, and a truly impressive level of funding... Together this recognition from the community is testimony to her strong international reputation as well as her ability to communicate the significance of her research in many different formats.”

**Reviewer E:** “Dr. Shan is an innovative thinker and an undisputed international leader in the field of innate immune signaling in plants.”

**Reviewer F:** “Dr. Shan is an internationally recognized leader with impressive expertise and track record in the area of plant-microbe interactions.”

**Summary of Recommendations:**

Professor Shan is a highly productive and respected researcher and teacher. She will make a considerable impact in the department, university, and beyond. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Libo Shan as professor of molecular, cellular, and developmental biology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

**RECOMMENDED BY:**

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

**RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:**

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

May 2023
On the recommendation of Raymond Yung, M.B., Ch.B. 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 Stephanie Parks Taylor, M.D., M.Sc. as professor of internal medicine, with tenure, Medical School, effective April 1, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
Stephanie Parks Taylor received her B.A. in psychology (summa cum laude) in 2002 from Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC. She obtained her M.D. (valedictorian) in 2006 from the University of South Florida College of Medicine, Tampa, FL. She then earned her M.Sc. in clinical and translational science in 2013, also from the University of South Florida College of Medicine.

Professional Record:
In 2009, the University of South Florida appointed Dr. Taylor as an assistant professor of internal medicine. She was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, at the University of South Florida in 2012 and was then recruited to Atrium Health in Charlotte, NC as a hospitalist in 2015. When Atrium Health acquired Wake Forest Baptist Health in 2020, Wake Forest School of Medicine became the academic core of Atrium Health. Dr. Taylor was appointed as an associate professor, without tenure, at Wake Forest School of Medicine in August 2021, and was then promoted to professor in 2022.

Summary of Evaluation:
Dr. Taylor’s research interests are in sepsis management and improving outcomes for patients. She currently serves as the PI on two NIH R01s and two grants from the Duke Endowment, as well as an internal grant from Wake Forest. This is an impressive record in her area in which the vast majority of clinicians are not federally funded. She has authored 60 peer-reviewed publications in respected journals including *Chest, Clinical Infections Diseases,* and *Critical Care Medicine.* She has given a dozen extramural lectures in rank. She received multiple institutional awards for research, including the Wake Forest School of Medicine Academic Learning Health System.
Research Award, and the Atrium Health Teal Acorn Physician Academician Award. She currently serves as the director of clinical research for the Department of Internal Medicine (2015-present). At the national level, she has twice received the Society of Critical Care Medicine STAR Research Award. As a professor, with tenure, at the University of Michigan, Dr. Taylor will continue her research on sepsis and will be expected to continue to compete for external funding for her research program.

Recent and significant publications:


Dr. Taylor is active in education at all levels of clinical training. She performs bedside teaching of residents, interns, and senior medical students. Her copious teaching evaluations are good to excellent with all written comments referring to positive experiences. She has mentored medical students, residents, fellows, and junior faculty on research projects. She has shown leadership and innovation in this dimension, serving as the director of residency research, leading the journal club in a new format that increased participation, and initiating a Medical School course on Communication during COVID, which was targeted at medical students shut out of the wards during the pandemic and improving their remote communications with patient families. Internationally, she has provided webinars for the Sepsis Alliance, and nationally to the American Thoracic Society fellows. In her role as a professor, with tenure, at the University of Michigan, Dr. Taylor’s teaching responsibilities will be concurrent with her professional effort and will include teaching house officers, medical students, and other trainees rotating through the training programs of the Division.

External Reviewers:
Reviewer A: “Dr. Taylor clearly demonstrates the ability to develop and sustain a systematic program of research. Currently she has two R01s and an R21. Dr. Taylor has been prolific in disseminating her scholarship. Her CV demonstrates an [sic] almost 20 years of research engagement and scholarly dissemination through publications and presentations at local, national, and international forums.”
Reviewer B: “I am very impressed with Dr. Taylor’s success in competitive grant funding related to sepsis survivors. This is an important area of study, and it appears that she has demonstrated remarkable independence in getting funding for this line of research. I am also impressed by her ability to conduct high-quality process-of-care research in a field (sepsis management) that usually is dominated by subspecialists rather than generalists…I would place her in the top 2-5% of Hospital Medicine academicians.”

Reviewer C: “From a clinical, teaching and administrative perspective, Dr. Taylor has been productive and a positive contributor. She has remained a clinically active hospitalist taking care of patients with acute illnesses across a spectrum of disease and was clearly active during the COVID19 pandemic. She has previously served as Medical Director for the ACE Unit in Tampa General Hospital and most recently as Co-Director of Atriums’ Acute Care Outcomes Research Network. She has also mentored several trainees…with many of these listed as coauthors, co-presenters on her CV. It is clear then, that she spends considerable time teaching on a number of services....”

Reviewer D: “Dr. Taylor is a transformational clinician-scientist leader who has a national/global reputation in the delivery of care for patients with sepsis…Dr. Taylor has established a clear niche in studying and improving outcomes for sepsis survivors. The importance of this work cannot be overstated—the medical community began to recognize that persistent health challenges experienced by 1.4 million annual sepsis survivors was a public health crisis a decade ago and in 2017 the World Health Organization specifically called for attention to addressing the needs of sepsis survivors. Dr. Taylor has answered this call and is now one of the most recognized and prolific scholars in this field, and perhaps the best funded outside the NIH PASC initiative, with a track-record of 3 R-series awards plus large foundation awards to support sepsis survivorship research.”

Reviewer E: “I am very impressed with Dr. Taylor’s many contributions in research, especially those related to the care of patients with sepsis. I believe she has demonstrated excellence in all key areas (i.e., research, scholarly, and creative contributions; teaching ability; and service.)…She has received numerous awards for excellence in research, including 2 Society of Critical Care Medicine STAR Research Awards (2018 and 2020) and was nominated for the prestigious American Society of Clinical Investigators in 2022.”

Reviewer F: “I found the enclosed studies to be of the highest quality, having used cutting edge methods to make important conclusions, and then publishing those findings in impactful journals. Her focus on sepsis is relevant to her clinical practice and of particular importance given the huge morbidity and mortality associated with it. I found the 60 publications on her CV to similarly be in impactful journals on topics generally related to sepsis or methodological issues related to her research. Additionally, I see a nice mix of first author and senior author publications, demonstrating the various roles she plays on these studies…Dr. Taylor has a strong track record of research with grant funding and impactful papers that define her as an expert in this domain, as would be expected for a professor with tenure.”

Dr. Taylor has an extensive service record as a hospitalist and clinical administrator. Institutionally, she is the physician lead of the Atrium Health Infected Patient Steering Committee and serves on the Steering Committee for the Critical Illness Injury and Recovery Center and on the Data and Analytics Leadership Council. She is also active in DEI as a member of the Justice, Equity,
Diversity, and Inclusion Workgroup. She previously served as the assistant director of the Division of Hospital Medicine at the University of South Florida (2013-2015). At the University of Michigan, Dr. Taylor has been chosen to serve as the chief of the Division of Hospital Medicine. Nationally, she is active in the Society for Hospital Medicine, serving on the Research Agenda Committee and co-chairing the State of Hospital Medicine Committee. She has sat on internal grant review boards. She has performed ad hoc peer reviews for six journals including *Chest*, *JAMA*, and the *American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine*. In addition to her research and service, Dr. Taylor is an active clinician. Her clinical work involves staffing internal medicine teams and medicine consults and her patient population consistently has high acuity and high complexity case mix, often with complex social needs as well. Throughout her career, Dr. Taylor has developed a keen diagnostic acumen and a comprehensive knowledge of evidence-based treatment guidelines for the wide range of conditions that she treats. She also has training in palliative care and unique expertise in communication, family engagement, symptom management, and person-centered care.

**Summary of Recommendations:**
Dr. Taylor is an expert in the field of sepsis management and has made a significant impact in the field with a strong record of independent funding and many high-impact publications. In addition to being a talented clinician, she is a dedicated mentor and an innovative educator and very active in service at the institutional and national levels. Therefore, I enthusiastically recommend the appointment of Stephanie Parks Taylor, M.D., M.Sc. as professor of internal medicine, with tenure, Medical School, effective April 1, 2023.

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  
President for Academic Affairs

April 2023  
INTERIM APPROVAL  
GRANTED
On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Venkatasubramanian Viswanathan as associate professor of aerospace engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

ACADEMIC DEGREES

Venkatasubramanian Viswanathan received his B.Tech/M.Tech in mechanical engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology in 2008. He received his Ph.D. from Stanford University in 2013.

PROFESSIONAL RECORD

Following a post-doctoral research fellowship at MIT, Professor Viswanathan was appointed as an assistant professor at Carnegie Mellon University (CMU) in 2014. He was promoted to associate professor, without tenure, in 2019.

SUMMARY OF EVALUATION

Professor Viswanathan is internationally recognized for his leadership in aviation electrification through, (a) doubling the specific energy of batteries to enable electric aircraft, (b) building battery avionics systems and (c) developing autonomous experimentation and machine-learning to accelerate the discovery of new energy materials that are suitable for aviation. His work has been recognized with an ONR Young Investigator Award and an NSF CAREER Award, among others. Professor Viswanathan chaired the prestigious Gordon Research Conference on Batteries in 2022. His international leadership in the field has garnered advisory board memberships of leading industries and he is sought after as a regular consultant to industry.
PUBLICATIONS


EXCERPTS FROM EXTERNAL REVIEWS

REVIEWER A:  “Viswanathan has definitively shown his impressive talent for recognizing and quickly developing key new directions at the research frontier, for thinking well beyond the immediate technical implications of a new opportunity to its future strategic impact and for thought leadership in integrating apparently separate intellectual threads into a single unique direction.  I believe he will be a leading light in the electrochemistry, energy storage, and machine learning communities, as well as in other communities as they emerge over the course of his career.”

REVIEWER B:  “Venkat has the unique ability to combine fundamental mechanistic insights along with a perspective on device-scale issues, and this capability is what sets his group apart. He is undoubted [sic] an emerging leader in computational energy storage and will make a lasting impact on energy sciences.”

REVIEWER C:  “I would like to strongly recommend Venkat Viswanathan for a faculty position at your university. Venkat is an exceptional researcher, a broad thinker, and a leading player in the field of batteries.”

REVIEWER D:  “Dr. Viswanathan also has an impressive track record in attracting external funding, particularly when considering his academic age. The list of grants displays a highly impressive number of PI and co-PI grants from NSF, DOE, ARPA-E, and NASA, including a large PI grant from DARPA MINT (RECTIFY), an NSF CAREER award, and Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellowship.”

REVIEWER E:  “He has an extremely strong funding portfolio, supporting a large group of PhD students and postdocs. His CV shows strong accomplishments for [sic] faculty member at his
level of seniority, including several early career awards. He has also given a large number of invited talks, is well known in the community, and has a very strong publication record.”

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATION

Professor Viswanathan 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 Aerospace Engineering. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Venkatasubramanian Viswanathan as associate professor of aerospace engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:  RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Alec D. Gallimore, Ph.D.  Laurie K. McCauley
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  Provost and Executive Vice
College of Engineering  President for Academic Affairs

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval

NAME: Jon Michael Wargo

TITLE: Associate Professor of Education, Marsal Family School of Education

TENURE STATUS: With Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2023

APPOINTMENT PERIOD: University Year

On the recommendation of the executive committee of the Marsal Family School of Education, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Jon Michael Wargo as associate professor of education, with tenure, Marsal Family School of Education, effective August 28, 2023.

ACADEMIC DEGREES

Jon Wargo earned a B.A. in English literature and gender studies at Indiana University in 2008 and a Ph.D. in curriculum, instruction, and teacher education from Michigan State University in 2016.

PROFESSIONAL RECORD

Upon receiving his Ph.D., Professor Wargo was appointed as an assistant professor in the Wayne State University College of Education where he served as the co-director of the Wayne State Writing Project. In 2017, he was appointed as assistant professor in the Lynch School of Education and Human Development at Boston College.

SUMMARY OF EVALUATION

Professor Wargo’s scholarship addresses technology and digital media in children/youth literacy with a focus on composition and critical literacy learning among LGBTQ+ youth. In particular, he studies sound as a mode and material for composition. He has also engaged in inquiries related to teacher education, policy, and qualitative research methods. Additionally, his scholarship explores how race, gender, sexuality, and other discourses of difference are taken up in teacher preparation and examines the impact of doing this work with pre-service and in-service teachers.
Professor Wargo has published 34 papers in peer reviewed journals including *Research in the Teaching of English*, *Qualitative Inquiry*, *Anthropology and Education Quarterly*, and *Theory into Practice*; has published 14 refereed book chapters; and has created products of public scholarship including blogs and videos. He has served as the PI or co-PI on one National Council for Teachers of English grant and a $187,460 grant from the Canada New Frontiers in Research Fund. He has received internal funding at Boston College. He also received a $70,000 fellowship from the National Academy of Education and Spencer Foundation.

He has been recognized as an influential scholar in many ways. In 2021, he won early career achievement awards from both the Literacy Research Association and the Children’s Literature Assembly. He also received distinguished article awards from the National Council for Teachers of English (NCTE) and the American Educational Research Association (AERA) Queer Studies Special Interest Group.

Professor Wargo is also a skilled teacher and program leader. He has taught courses to undergraduate and graduate students related to language arts, reading, social sciences, children’s and young adult literature, qualitative research, writing for publication, and digital literacies. He has served as subject area co-leader for elementary literacy and social science coursework for the elementary education major in the Lynch School. He is also a dedicated advisor and mentor. He has chaired nine dissertations and served as a committee member on seven additional dissertation committees.

**PUBLICATIONS**


**EXCERPTS FROM EXTERNAL LETTERS**

Reviewer A: “Dr. Wargo is a rising academic star. He is a quintessential intellectual whose scholarship always feels fresh and creative.”
Reviewer B: “Among early career scholars, Dr. Wargo is without question a leading theorist, researcher, and curriculum innovator. His multiple early career awards speak to the high regard with which his colleagues across disciplines of literacy, digital literacies, language and social processes, and children’s literature view his scholarship.”

Reviewer C: “In terms of quantity, Dr. Wargo’s record is very strong for an assistant professor being reviewed for tenure and is just as strong as some other records I have reviewed for promotion to full. With respect to quality and impact, Dr. Wargo’s research and writing have already been recognized by the field(s) with several early career research awards.”

Reviewer D: “Along with the conceptual expansions and contributions of his work, the emergent methodological contributions will make him a scholar that the field will contend with for years to come.”

Reviewer E: “I vividly recall Dr. Wargo giving a stunning keynote at an international conference in Manchester, UK on maker literacies and how enthusiastic attendees were about his talk and the reverberations of it during conference presentations and conversations. It was then that I appreciated that Dr. Wargo had arrived as a star in literacy studies.”

SUMMARY

Professor Wargo’s scholarship has been recognized as highly significant and influential. He will be a valued colleague and productive scholar. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Jon Michael Wargo as associate professor of education, with tenure, Marsal Family School of Education, effective August 28, 2023.

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval

NAME: Shane A. Wells, M.D.

TITLES: Associate Professor of Radiology, and Associate Professor of Urology, Medical School

TENURE STATUS: With Tenure (Radiology)
Without Tenure (Urology)

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2023

APPOINTMENT PERIOD: 12 Months

On the recommendation of Vikas Gulani, M.D., Ph.D. the Fred Jenner Hodges Professor and chair of the Department of Radiology, and Ganes S. Palapattu, M.D. the Geourge F. and Sandy Valasis 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 appointment of Shane A. Wells, M.D. as associate professor of radiology, with tenure, and associate professor of urology, without tenure, Medical School, effective April 1, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
Shane Wells received his A.S.N. in 1997 from the Marshall University, St. Mary’s Hospital Cooperative Nursing Program, Huntington, WV. He obtained his B.S. in biology, with a minor in chemistry (cum laude) in 2002 from Marshall University. He earned his M.D. in 2006 from the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, Marshall University.

Professional Record:
From 1997 - 2004, Dr. Wells was a registered professional nurse in both the Neurology Step-Down Unit and the Medical Intensive Care Unit at St. Mary’s Medical Center, Huntington WV. In 2011, Dr. Wells was appointed as a clinical instructor at the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health. In 2012, he was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Virginia Health System. In 2014, he returned to the University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics as an assistant professor in the Department of Radiology where he was promoted to associate professor in 2020. In 2021, he received an additional appointment as an associate professor in the Department of Urology.

Summary of Evaluation:
Dr. Wells’ research is in the area of uroradiology, with a focus on renal cell carcinoma (RCC), benign and malignant prostatic disease, and benign and malignant bladder disease. He further studies image-guided intervention. Dr. Wells has been highly successful in supporting his research
funding through extramural funding from the National Institutes of Health, as well as foundation awards from the Society of Abdominal Imaging, and the Duane and Dorothy Bluemke Foundation. He has authored 57 peer reviewed publications in high-impact journals such as Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Abdominal Radiology, and Urology. He also has submitted over 200 abstracts to various conferences, societies, and associations and has written 6 book chapters. He has been invited on 45 occasions to deliver extramural talks about his research regionally, nationally, and internationally including in China.

Recent and significant publications:

Dr. Wells primarily instructs learners in research in the clinic across various levels, including medical students, residents, fellows, and early career faculty. While his teaching falls outside the formal didactic curriculum, Dr. Wells has mentored undergraduate students, medical students, Ph.D. students, radiology residents, abdominal imaging fellows as well as several research mentees through the Summer Program for Undergraduate Urology Research and Shapiro Summer Research Program and Honors in Research programs. Dr. Wells also participates in workshops, case conferences, and lecture series at the institutional level. He will continue to have a huge presence in the didactic series including all levels of learners.

**External Reviewers:**
Reviewer A: “Dr. Wells is an accomplished researcher, as demonstrated by his numerous funded projects, publications in prominent journals, his presentations at national and international meetings, and his involvement in various radiology societies. He has served as the principal investigator or co-investigator on numerous foundation and NIH-supported projects. ...In addition to his 56 peer-reviewed manuscripts, 6 book chapters, and nearly 200 abstracts, he is also involved in several clinical trials. The breadth and scope of his scholarly work is truly astounding.”
Reviewer B: “I have had the pleasure to lecture along-side Dr. Wells at national and international meetings. He is an excellent speaker with command of his subject and effective delivery. His CV lists over 40 invited local and national/international talks, presentation[s], and visiting professorships, as well as a large number of intra-mural lectures, seminars, and other educational endeavors at his institution targeting residents, fellows, [and] medical students. Most telling are the several teaching honors and awards of excellence he has received.”

Reviewer C: “…Dr. Shane Wells is a talented clinical radiologist with a successful academic career in the field of abdominal and interventional radiology. He has made substantial and novel contributions to the literature to help change the way imaging is used during and after image-guided interventions. He is known at a national level for his educational and academic contributions. I am confident that his contributions to the field of abdominal interventions and imaging will continue to be invaluable.”

Reviewer D: “Dr. Wells has a long and impressive track record of scholarly contributions to academic radiology for which he holds a national and international reputation. This is evidenced by [the] significant number of grants awarded to Dr. Wells and colleagues by the NIH (including R01 and U54) and the Society of Abdominal Radiology. He has participated in [sic] numerous high quality publications, especially in the realm of percutaneous tumor ablation. He has published 38 articles in the last five years including 9 as first or senior author and has participated in 198 meeting presentations/abstracts.”

Reviewer E: “Overall, Dr. Wells has tremendous accomplishments for an Associate Professor. He has both high quality and quantity of scholarly activity, with multiple impactful publications and bodies of work. I rank Dr. Wells above average for an Associate Professor and well on his way to becoming a Professor on [the] tenure track. Dr. Wells would unequivocally meet criteria for appointment to Associate Professor on the tenure track at [my institution].”

Reviewer F: “In addition, his funding track record includes prior NIH and DoD co-investigator funding as well as society grant funding and charitable/foundation funding. He has also demonstrated a significant contribution to educational missions as a faculty member at the University of Wisconsin, having taught undergraduate students, medical students, PhD students, radiology residents and Abdominal Imaging Fellows. Shane also serves on several committees which support the University of Wisconsin’s Radiology department and medical school.”

Dr. Wells has an excellent service record. Institutionally, he has served on the Resident Selection Committee, Radiology Quality Assurance Committee, and Admissions Committee. Nationally, he has been active in the American Alliance of Academic Chief Residents in Radiology, American Board of Radiology (ABR), Association of University Radiologists (AUR), American College of Radiology (ACR), and the Society of Abdominal Radiology (SAR) level. Dr. Wells serves on the Editorial Executive Committee and as a consultant to the editor of Academic Radiology. Dr. Wells is a reviewer for four scientific journals, as well as an ad hoc reviewer for an additional four journals. He has been honored with “distinguished reviewer” status in Abdominal Radiology for three years in a row and received the Editor’s Recognition Award for outstanding reviews in Radiology. It is also noted that Dr. Wells will be appointed as the director of Cross-Sectional Interventional Radiology (CSIR), which is an additional major service commitment.”
Summary of Recommendations:
Dr. Wells is an accomplished radiologist with a particular interest in ablation procedures in the abdomen, using microwave, cryotherapy, or focused ultrasound. His research, teaching, and service are all exemplary. I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Shane A. Wells, M.D. as associate professor of radiology, with tenure, and associate professor of urology, without tenure, Medical School, effective April 1, 2023.

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

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Recommendations for approval of reappointments
of regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Huda Akil, Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Gardner C Quarton Distinguished University Professor of Neurosciences, Gardner C. Quarton Collegiate Professor of Neurosciences, and Professor of Psychiatry, with tenure, Medical School

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Gardner C. Quarton Collegiate Professor of Neurosciences, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 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 reappointment of Huda Akil, Ph.D. as the Gardner C. Quarton Collegiate Professor of Neurosciences, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Gardner C. Quarton Collegiate Professorship in Neurosciences was established in 1992 through a gift from Mrs. Frances Quarton as a memorial to her late husband, Dr. Gardner Quarton, who served as the director of the Mental Health Research Institute at the University of Michigan from 1968-1983. In 2020, the institute was renamed the Michigan Neuroscience Institute to expand the scope of the transition in the study of the neurosciences. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Dr. Akil joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 1981 as an assistant professor of psychiatry and an assistant research scientist in the Mental Health Research Institute. She rose through the ranks to professor of psychiatry, with tenure, and research professor in the Mental Health Research Institute in 1981. She was appointed the co-director of the Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience Institute in 1995 and was awarded the Gardner C. Quarton Distinguished University Professor of Neuroscience in 1999. Dr. Akil has served as the co-director of the Michigan Neuroscience Institute for 25 years before transitioning out in 2021. She is a senior member of prestigious scientific societies and is a past president of the Society for Neuroscience, the largest neuroscience organization in the world. The renewal of the Quarton Collegiate Professorship would recognize Dr. Akil as a world class neuroscientist who has also made remarkable contributions to the scientific enterprise within Michigan Medicine and across the entire University of Michigan campus. This professorship is especially meaningful to Dr. Akil because Dr. Gardner Quarton had been the director of the Mental Health Research Institute who recruited her to the University of Michigan.
During the last five years, Dr. Akil used her professorship funding thoughtfully and strategically to develop new research directions, support trainees and promote diversity, equity, and inclusion. During the upcoming term, she plans to continue her exciting scientific program with a strong focus on an integrated and translational approach to study the brain biology of depression and addiction. She will use her funds to support students and trainees in an inclusive and supportive environment, and to catalyze multi-institutional collaborations focused on mental health research. At the national level, Dr. Akil is an elected member of the National Academy of Medicine, the National Academy of Sciences and the National Academy of Arts and Sciences, in recognition of her groundbreaking research on opioids, stress and depression. During the past five years, she was elected to the Council of the National Academy of Sciences and is currently a member of its Executive Committee. She is also a member of the Governing Board of the National Research Council, and an associate editor of the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. She will continue to serve in these capacities and has recently joined the National Academies’ Policy and Global Affairs Committee. During the last five years, Dr. Akil has received several prestigious honors, including the 2019 Julius Axelrod Prize for Research and Mentorship from the Society for Neuroscience. In 2023, she received two major awards that have not yet been formally announced.

Dr. Akil is an esteemed neuroscientist whose pioneering research has contributed to the understanding of the neurobiology of emotions, including pain, anxiety, depression, and substance abuse. I am very pleased, therefore, to recommend the reappointment of Huda Akil, Ph.D. as the Gardner C. Quarton Collegiate Professor of Neurosciences, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Steven M. Archer, M.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Ida Lucy Iacobucci Collegiate Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, and Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, with tenure, Medical School

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Ida Lucy Iacobucci Collegiate Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028

On the recommendation of Shahzad I. Mian, M.D., interim chair of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Steven M. Archer, M.D. as the Ida Lucy Iacobucci Collegiate Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Ida Lucy Iacobucci Collegiate Professorship in Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences was established in May 2018 through a generous gift from the Ida L. Iacobucci Trust. Ida Iacobucci was a faculty member in the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences at the University of Michigan from 1957-2017. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Steven M. Archer received his M.D. degree in 1978 from the University of Chicago. He completed a developmental neurobiology fellowship at the University of Colorado and a subsequent residency in ophthalmology at the University of Chicago. Dr. Archer also completed a fellowship in pediatric ophthalmology and was appointed as a lecturer at Indiana University in 1985. He was promoted to an assistant professor in 1986. Dr. Archer joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 1988 as an assistant professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences and rose through the ranks to a professor in 2011.

Dr. Archer continues his research focused on developmental factors in congenital estropia, retinopathy of prematurity, vision testing in preverbal infants, adult strabismus and the causes and treatment of double vision in adults. He is a senior mentor for one of the top pediatric ophthalmology training programs in the United States, provides the most ROP screenings at the C.S. Mott Women and Children’s Hospital in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and has a particular emphasis on treating the most complex adult strabismus cases. Clinically, he assesses the development of visual functions including acuity, stereopsis, and ocular alignment in infants whose visual systems have developed normally and in those with pathological conditions such as congenital cataracts. Dr. Archer is actively developing new surgical treatments such as the ultraprecise procedures for
correcting tiny strabismus deviations, techniques for restrictive strabismus due to conjunctival adhesions, procedures for special forms of nystagmus, and the refinement of cranial nerve palsy procedures.

Dr. Archer’s expertise is his field is renown nationally and internationally. He has been invited to be a course instructor or moderator (1986-2019) at the American Academy of Ophthalmology and the American Association of Certified Orthoptists to give lectures on graves eye disease, 6th nerve palsy, the assessment of visually impaired infants, and the management of pediatric cataracts including post-operative care. Additionally, Dr. Archer has travelled to countries such as Peru, India, Columbia, Ethiopia, and China lending his talents to nonprofit organizations like World Eye Mission and the Project ORBIS with missions dedicated to saving sight and preventing blindness in the developing world. He had written 40 peer-reviewed articles in prestigious publications such as the American Journal of Ophthalmology, Journal of Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus, JAMA Ophthalmology, American Orthoptic Journal, and the Journal of Binocular Vision and Ocular Motility and authored three books on the treatment and risk factors of strabismus. His research has been funded through the NIH, and foundational and institutional grants.

Perhaps Dr. Archer’s greatest achievement has been a career devoted to the needs of his patients. He has been awarded the Lifetime Honor Award (2012) and the Frank D. Constenbader Lecture (2015) by the American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus, the Richard G. Scobee Memorial Lecture (2015) by the American Association of Certified Orthoptists. In January 2022, Dr. Archer presented at the 7th Annual Kushner webinar sponsored by the American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (AAPOS) for his outstanding work in pediatric ophthalmology and strabismus.

Dr. Archer is an internationally recognized authority in pediatric ophthalmology. He was a close colleague of Ida Iacobucci, and she would be thrilled at his reappointment to this prestigious professorship honoring her legacy. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the reappointment of Steven M. Archer, M.D. as the Ida Lucy Iacobucci Collegiate Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of a Joint Appointment

NAME: Irina Aristarkhova

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Art and Design, with tenure, Penny W. Stamps School of Art and Design, and Professor in the Digital Studies Institute, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Professor in the Digital Studies Institute, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2023

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Digital Studies Institute and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and with the endorsement of the Penny W. Stamps School of Art and Design, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of a joint appointment of Irina Aristarkhova as professor in the Digital Studies Institute, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

Irina Aristarkhova received her Bachelor of Arts from Moscow State University in 1992, Master of Arts at the University of Warwick in 1995, and doctorate from the Russian Academy of Sciences in 1999. Professor Aristarkhova was a senior lecturer in art theory at Lasalle College of the Arts in Singapore (1999-2001), assistant professor at the National University of Singapore (2001-2005), and assistant professor of women's studies and visual arts at the Pennsylvania State University (2006-2012), before joining the faculty in the Penny W. Stamps School of Art and Design as an associate professor, with tenure, in 2012. She was promoted to professor in 2020.

Professor Aristarkhova is a feminist scholar whose innovative contributions to the field explore the intersections between gender, art and technology in contemporary art and culture. She has been described as a new voice whose writing is interdisciplinary in nature and sets new standards in discussions across philosophy, feminist theory, and cultural studies. Her books, Hospitality of the Matrix: Philosophy, Biomedicine, and Culture (Columbia University Press, 2012) and Arrested Welcome: Hospitality in Contemporary Art (University of Minnesota Press, 2020), are recognized as major original and creative contributions. Because of her expertise in the field of digital studies, Professor Aristarkhova’s collaboration with faculty and postdoctoral fellows in the Digital Studies Institute is invaluable.

Professor Aristarkhova is a committed and inspiring teacher who has made significant contributions to undergraduate and graduate education. Students speak of her rigorous commitment to inclusivity, high critical standards, and her generous and deep commitment to
teaching. She serves as a mentor, advisor, and thesis/dissertation committee member for graduate students across campus, including in the Digital Studies Institute where she also teaches a course and has developed graduate seminars.

Professor Aristarkhova actively contributes to interdisciplinary engagement across the university. In addition to her appointment in the Stamps School, she has held appointments in the Department of American Culture, the Digital Studies Institute, the Center for Ethics, Society, and Computing, the Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies, and the Center for Southeast Asian Studies. She has been a key player in founding and developing the Digital Studies Institute, serving on several committees and being involved in multiple searches for the institute. From 2021-2022, Professor Aristarkhova served as the acting director of the Digital Studies Institute, and in that role she guided the institute’s mission, supported the research agenda, curricular goals, and development opportunities, and mentored faculty and students.

We are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of a joint appointment of Irina Aristarkhova as professor in the Digital Studies Institute, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

Carlos Francisco Jackson
Dean and Professor
Penny W. Stamps School of Art and Design

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION  

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Endowed Department Chair  

NAME: Ellen M. Arruda  

CURRENT TITLES: Tim Manganello/BorgWarner Department Chair of Mechanical Engineering, Maria Comninou Collegiate Professor of Mechanical Engineering, Professor of Mechanical Engineering, with tenure, Professor of Macromolecular Science and Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, and Professor of Biomedical Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering and Medical School  

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Tim Manganello/BorgWarner Department Chair of Mechanical Engineering, College of Engineering  

EFFECTIVE DATES: June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2026  

We are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Ellen M. Arruda as the Tim Manganello/BorgWarner Department Chair of Mechanical Engineering, Department of Mechanical Engineering, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2026.  

The Tim Manganello/BorgWarner Department Chair in Mechanical Engineering was established in March 2013 and is funded by donations from The BorgWarner Foundation.  

Ellen Arruda received her Ph.D. in mechanical engineering in 1992 from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Following graduation, she was appointed at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor. She was promoted to associate professor in 1999, and to professor in 2005. She was appointed as the Tim Manganello/BorgWarner Department Chair of Mechanical Engineering in 2018.  

Professor Arruda teaches and conducts research in the areas of theoretical and experimental mechanics of macromolecular materials, including polymers, elastomers, composites, soft tissues and proteins, and in tissue engineering of soft tissues and tissue interfaces. She has developed a highly successful model for anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) repair that restores native anatomy and function within six to nine months of implantation. She has formed a start-up company to market this technology. Additionally, her team’s improved football helmet design could lead to a lightweight and affordable helmet that effectively dissipates the energy from on-field collisions and was selected as a finalist in the Head Health Challenge national competition and appeared in MIT Technology Review. She holds fourteen patents, her work has been cited close to 15,000 times, and her H-Index is 47 (Google Scholar).
Recognition for her teaching, research, and service contributions to the engineering enterprise include the 2021 Eringen medal from the Society of Engineering Science, the 2019 Nadai medal from the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, and the 2018 Rice medal from the Society of Engineering Science. She has received the university’s Distinguished Faculty Achievement Award and the Harold Johnson Diversity Service Award. She is a fellow of the ASME, the American Academy of Mechanics (current president), the SES (past president), and the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineers. Under her leadership, the Mechanical Engineering department at UM has earned the Rhetaugh G. Dumas Progress in Diversifying Award and the inaugural ASME Mechanical Engineering Department Head Executive Committee’s Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion award. Professor Arruda is a member of the National Academy of Engineering.

Professor Arruda’s academic achievements fully merit her reappointment to this endowed department chair. We are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Ellen M. Arruda as the Tim Manganello/BorgWarner Department Chair of Mechanical Engineering, Department of Mechanical Engineering, College of Engineering, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2026.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

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

May 2023
The dean of the School of Nursing is pleased to recommend the reappointment of Cynthia M. Arslanian-Engoren as associate dean of faculty affairs and faculty development, School of Nursing, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

Cynthia M. Arslanian-Engoren earned her Bachelor of Science in nursing at Wayne State University in 1989. She earned a Master of Science in nursing from the Medical College of Ohio in 1994. She earned her Graduate Certificate in women’s studies and Doctorate of Philosophy in nursing degree from the University of Michigan in 1998 and 1999, respectively. She is a certified adult health clinical nurse specialist. She joined the University of Michigan School of Nursing as an assistant professor in 2001, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2008 and to promoted to professor in 2019. She has held the title of director of faculty affairs and faculty development in the School of Nursing since 2014.

Professor Arslanian-Engoren is a nurse scientist with decision-making expertise. She has extensively studied the decisions of emergency department nurses’ who triage women for symptoms of an acute myocardial infarction (MI) and the treatment seeking decisions of women with acute MI. Her research foci has expanded to include the study of decision regret among critical care nurses and the examination of cognitive dysfunction among older adults hospitalized for acute heart failure. Her research has been published in American Journal of Cardiology, American Journal of Critical Care, Journal of Cardiac Failure, Journal of Cardiovascular Nursing, Journal of Emergency Nursing, and Nursing Research. Professor Arslanian-Engoren is an experienced academician who has taught across the curricula, and is a master teacher. At the undergraduate level, she has used her expertise to teach clinical decision-making and adult health nursing, and at the graduate level she has taught nursing theory, research, and advanced practice didactic and clinical courses to the acute care graduate nursing students. In addition, she has mentored undergraduate honors students and graduate students in the completion of their research and scholarly projects (e.g., master’s projects, doctoral preliminary examinations, dissertations). Professor Arslanian-Engoren often includes students as members of her research
team, providing mentorship experiences and experiential knowledge of critical aspects of scientific inquiry. She became a fellow of the American Academy of Nursing in 2012.

I am very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Cynthia M. Arslanian-Engoren as associate dean of faculty affairs and faculty development, School of Nursing, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

Recommended by:
Patricia D. Hurn
Dean and Professor
School of Nursing

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Charles L. Brooks III

CURRENT TITLES: Warner-Lambert/Parke-Davis Professor of Chemistry, Cyrus Levinthal Distinguished University Professor of Chemistry and Biophysics, Director, Program in Biophysics, Professor of Chemistry, with tenure, and Professor of Biophysics, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and Professor of Macromolecular Science and Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Warner-Lambert/Parke-Davis Professor of Chemistry, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Chemistry and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Charles L. Brooks III as the Warner-Lambert/Parke-Davis Professor of Chemistry, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Warner-Lambert/Parke-Davis Professorship in Chemistry was established in December 1996. Through the generosity of the Warner-Lambert Company, the Department of Chemistry was the recipient of a gift in the amount of $1,200,000 to be used to endow a professorship in the chemical sciences. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Charles Brooks III received his Bachelor of Science from Alma College in 1978 and earned his doctorate from Purdue University in 1982. Following a post-doctoral fellowship at Harvard University (1982-1985), Professor Brooks began his instructional career as an assistant professor at Carnegie-Mellon University where he was promoted through the ranks to professor, with tenure. He joined our faculty as a professor, with tenure, in 2008 and was appointed as the director of the Program in Biophysics in 2015.

Professor Brooks’s research continues to be at the forefront of his field as indicated both by his strong record of publication, funding, requested participation at national and international conferences, and national and international recognition. He was honored by the American Chemical Society with the National Award for Computers in Chemical and Pharmaceutical Research in 2020. He was recognized among the “Top 200 Chemists in the U.S.” and the “Top
400 Chemists in the World” in 2022 by Research.com. Consistent with his visibility, Professor Brooks continues to be highly prolific in publishing new scientific findings in excellent journals. He has an exceptional H-index of 112 and since 2018, has published or submitted approximately fifty-seven manuscripts or book chapters, the majority of which have been published in top journals including *Nature*, the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, and the *Journal of the American Chemical Society*. Professor Brooks continues to extend and expand his research program, collaborative efforts, and research funding. His research group has steadily maintained twelve to fifteen researchers and continues to be a rigorous training ground for students at all stages of their development, many of whom go on to pursue successful opportunities. He has published or has manuscripts in preparation with more than thirty colleagues across the college and university, as well throughout his field. He recently received a gift of $750,000 from Dessault Systems for his development, support, and leadership in overseeing the CHARMM software project and is continually seeking new funding opportunities, submitting at least one new grant proposal per year.

In addition to his administrative duties, Professor Brooks taught the core requirement undergraduate and graduate level course, “Professional Development in Biophysics,” and developed and taught “Pursuing Summer Opportunities in STEM.” This mini course was intended for the purpose of professional development for undergraduate students and to help identify summer opportunities in internships and research projects through the National Science Foundation REU Sites program. He has received high student evaluations for these courses. Professor Brooks has also spearheaded several curricular innovations to the Biophysics undergraduate and graduate curriculum. Most significant has been the partnership with the Department of Physics to revise and teach the key service courses in “Physics for the Life Sciences.” He recently participated in the innovative college efforts to design and create a new undergraduate curriculum focused on enhancing undergraduate education in computing and computing languages, and has initiated the collaborative development of a new undergraduate major in quantitative biology with the Department of Biology. Professor Brooks continues to serve on the thesis and mentoring committees for a growing number of students at various stages of their graduate careers and is presently on the thesis committees of approximately twenty students.

Professor Brooks continues to serve the university and scientific research community through administrative appointments, editorships, professional society service, membership on review panels and advisory committees, and review activities for all major journals in his field. In his role as the director of the Program in Biophysics, he has overseen this unit’s self-study and subsequent external review and managed the shutdown and restart of research and online teaching activities during the pandemic. At the department level, he has served as a member of the chemistry research faculty mentoring committee, the LSA NMR Oversight Committee, the Program in Chemical Biology Operating Committee, and the Advisory Board for the Center for RNA Biomedicine. Professor Brooks served as the president of the Protein Society from 2016-2020, was member of the Molecular Sciences Scientific Software advisory board, and is presently on the advisory board of the NSF Growing Convergence Research Project. He holds a significant role as the North American editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Computational Chemistry* and is a member of the editorial advisory board for a key journal in protein science, *Proteins*. He
has also served on numerous NIH panels, all as an ad hoc reviewer for a number of grants and panels in the past five years.

We are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Charles L. Brooks III as the Warner-Lambert/Parke-Davis Professor of Chemistry, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Lucia H.S. Cevidanes

CURRENT TITLES: Drs. Thomas M. and Doris Graber Endowed Professor of Dentistry, and Professor of Dentistry, with tenure, School of Dentistry

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Drs. Thomas M. and Doris Graber Endowed Professor of Dentistry, School of Dentistry

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2028

The Executive Committee of the School of Dentistry is pleased to recommend the reappointment of Lucia H.S. Cevidanes as the Drs. Thomas M. and Doris Graber Endowed Professor of Dentistry, School of Dentistry, for a five-year renewable term, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2028.

The Drs. Thomas M. and Doris Graber Endowed Professorship in Dentistry was established in June 1998 and is named for Dr. Thomas M. Graber and his wife, Dr. Doris Graber, in his professional career as an orthodontist and anatomist of over fifty years, had an enormous impact on the treatment of craniofacial anomalies in dentistry and medicine. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Lucia Cevidanes received her DDS from the Universidade Federal de Goias, Brazil in 1989, her MS in orthodontics from Instituto Metodista de Ensino Superior in 1994, her PhD in orthodontics in 2003, and a certificate in orthodontics in 2008 from University of North Carolina. In 1994, Professor Cevidanes became an assistant professor at the Methodist University of São Paulo, School of Dentistry. In 1998, she was appointed as a research assistant at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, an adjunct instructor in 2002, a post-doctoral fellow 2003-2005, a clinical instructor 2003-2005, and a clinical assistant professor 2005-2011. In 2011, she joined the University of Michigan School of Dentistry as an assistant professor in the Department of Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2016, and to professor in 2022.

Professor Cevidanes is an outstanding scholar, teacher, mentor and health care provider. She leads a highly collaborative NIH funded research program encompassing craniofacial growth and development, with an emphasis on the use of cone beam computed tomography (CT) as a diagnostic and outcomes assessment tool for craniofacial problems. Her research has been
supported throughout her career at the University of Michigan. She has over two-hundred peer reviewed publications and twenty-five book chapters. She is an invited presenter at the local, national and international levels. She teaches extensively in the pre-doctoral orthodontic program in clinical, laboratory and didactic courses and is the course director of two didactic courses and three laboratory courses. She is highly engaged in student mentoring at the pre-doctoral, graduate and PhD levels. She has received numerous awards for teaching and research excellence such as the University of Michigan School of Dentistry Alpha Omega Teaching Excellence Award (2022, 2021, 2020, and 2019), University of Michigan School of Dentistry Dentie Award for Best Use of Synchronous Lecture Time (2021), American Association of Orthodontics Foundation B.F. Dewel Memorial Biomedical Research Award (2020), American Association of Orthodontists Foundation Fred Schudy Memorial Research Award (2018), and the American Association of Orthodontics Milo Hellman Award (2014).

Professor Cevidanes is an outstanding faculty contributor at the School of Dentistry. She is the director of the pre-doctoral orthodontic clinic, serves as discipline coordinator for the second, third and fourth year dental students, member of the course directors committee, Appointment, Promotions and Tenure Committee, graduate residents’ admissions committee, academic review board member, and has served on numerous School of Dentistry faculty search committees. At the University of Michigan, she is a member of the Michigan Institute for Data Science group, Michigan Integrative Musculoskeletal Health Core Center, and the Provost’s Faculty Advisory Committee. Professor Cevidanes is active on numerous associations and societies at the national and international level.

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Lucia H.S. Cevidanes as the Drs. Thomas M. and Doris Graber Endowed Professor of Dentistry, School of Dentistry, for a five-year renewable term, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2028.

Recommended by:          Recommendation endorsed by:

[Signature]
Jan Hu
Interim Dean, School of Dentistry

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to a Research Professorship

NAME: Soo-Eun Chang, Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Rosa Casco Solano-Lopez Research Professor of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and Associate Professor of Psychiatry, with tenure, Medical School

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Rosa Casco Solano-Lopez Research Professor of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 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 reappointment of Soo-Eun Chang, Ph.D. as the Rosa Casco Solano-Lopez Research Professor of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Medical School, effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2028.

The Rosa Casco Solano-Lopez Research Professorship in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry was established in May 2013 through a generous donation from Carlos Solano-Lopez, M.D. to benefit children with psychiatric issues that may result in speech impairment. Carlos Solano-Lopez, the donor of this professorship, experienced difficulty in his youth due to stuttering. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Soo-Eun Chang received her Ph.D. in speech and hearing sciences from the University of Illinois in 2005. She completed a fellowship in clinical neuroscience at the NIH in the Laryngeal and Speech Section, and was appointed as an assistant professor in the Department of Communicative Sciences and Disorders at Michigan State University in 2009. Dr. Chang joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor in the Department of Psychiatry in 2013.

Dr. Chang’s research focuses on brain imaging and the neural bases of childhood developmental stuttering. She specializes in the clinical treatment of persistent stuttering in children. Dr. Chang is working to identify neural markers for stuttering and to develop interventions that lead to behavioral and neurophysiological normalization in speech. She has become internationally recognized for her research, and has been invited to present her findings in Korea, France and the Netherlands. Dr. Chang is one of the most productive and influential researchers working on understanding the neurological underpinnings of childhood onset stuttering. She has two concurrent NIH awards as the PI and is the co-I on an additional four NIH awards. Beyond her funding record, testimony of Dr. Chang’s stature in this unique field is easily seen in the number of invited major talks she has given, at the most highly regarded national and international meetings. In 2022, Dr. Chang was awarded the Researcher Award from the International Fluency
Association at the Joint World Congress on Stuttering and Cluttering. Dr. Chang is currently
working on a 10-year impact report about her research with the development office to send to
current donors. Dr. Chang is the ideal candidate to hold this professorship. I am pleased,
therefore, to recommend the reappointment of Soo-Eun Chang, Ph.D. as the Rosa Casco Solano-
Lopez Research Professor of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Medical School, effective
September 1, 2023 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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: John O. DeLancey, M.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Norman F. Miller Professor of Gynecology, Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, with tenure, and Professor of Urology, without tenure, Medical School

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Norman F. Miller Professor of Gynecology, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028

On the recommendation of Dee E. Fenner, M.D., the Bates Professor and chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of John O. DeLancey, M.D. as the Norman F. Miller Professor of Gynecology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Norman F. Miller Professorship in Gynecology was established in October 1986 through the generosity of members of the Norman F. Miller Gynecologic Society, which is composed of former residents who trained under the guidance of Dr. Miller. Dr. Miller served as the chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology from 1931-1964. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Dr. DeLancey is recognized as the national and international expert in the area of female pelvic medicine and reconstructive surgery. He serves as the program director for the fellowship in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery and directs the Pelvic Research Group. Dr. DeLancey was instrumental in the University of Michigan being named as the coordinating center for the NIH’s Pelvic Floor Treatment Network. He has been the president of the American Urogynecologic Society and the Society of Gynecologic Surgeons. Since his initial appointment as the Miller Professor in 1998, his academic and scholarly productivity has remained consistently high. He has continued to receive extramural funding for his research. He is recognized as an international expert in the area of female pelvic medicine and reconstructive surgery and received the 2018 Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Urogynecologic Society (AUGS) and the 2022 Society of Gynecologic Surgeons President’s Award.
Dr. DeLancey’s continued academic, scholarly, and administrative accomplishments support his continued appointment to this prestigious professorship. I am very pleased, therefore, to recommend the reappointment of John O. DeLancey, M.D. as the Norman F. Miller Professor of Gynecology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 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

May 2023
Reappointment to an Endowed Professorship

Susan J. Douglas

Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, Catharine Neafie Kellogg Professor of Communication, and Professor of Communication and Media, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Catharine Neafie Kellogg Professor of Communication, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Five Years, Renewable

September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028

With the approval of the Executive Committees of the Department of Communication and Media and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Susan J. Douglas as the Catharine Neafie Kellogg Professor of Communication, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Catharine Neafie Kellogg Professorship in Communication was established in April 1889 as a result of a generous gift of $10,000 from Mrs. Catharine Kellogg. A stipend funded from college resources accompanies this professorship. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Susan Douglas received her Bachelor of Arts from Elmira College in 1972. She then attended Brown University where she earned her Master of Arts in 1974 and her doctorate in 1979. Professor Douglas began her teaching career as assistant professor at Hampton College in 1981 and was promoted through the ranks to professor in 1992. She joined our faculty as professor in 1996. She was honored with an Arthur F. Thurnau Professorship in 1999 for her outstanding contribution to undergraduate education, and has held the Catharine Neafie Kellogg Professorship since 1998.

Professor Douglas is among the most influential and important scholars in the field of communication and remains an outstanding scholar and instructor whose work focuses on critical media studies. Her most recent book, In Our Prime: How Older Women are Reinventing the Road Ahead (Norton, 2020), was selected as an Editor’s Choice in the New York Times, where it was also reviewed. In 2019, she co-authored the book Media & Celebrity: An Introduction to Fame (NYU Press). She is currently working on a book about the history of feminism in the
media. In 2022, she received the Teresa Award for the Advancement of Feminist Scholarship from the International Communication Association, one of many she has received over the course of her career (roughly one a year since 2010). Her presence on the faculty contributes to the department’s top ten international ranking.

Professor Douglas continues to serve the department in a variety of capacities, including regularly teaching the large lecture course, “Comm 101: Media Past and Present.” She offers mentorship to both assistant and associate professors and continues to chair dissertations, serve on committees, and supervise honors theses. She currently serves as the chair of two doctoral committees and serves as a member on a third.

Professor Douglas also has an impressive service record to the college, university, and profession. She has served as a board member of the University of Michigan Student Publications since 2020 and previously served as the chair of the Department of Communication and Media from 2004-2015. She is a member of the Communication, Culture and Critique editorial board, a contributing writer for The Progressive, and a longstanding member of the advisory board for MIT Press’s series on the Social and Historical Analysis of Technology.

We are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Susan J. Douglas as the Catharine Neafie Kellogg Professor of Communication, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of a Joint Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Marisa C. Eisenberg

CURRENT TITLES: Associate Professor of Epidemiology, with tenure, School of Public Health, and Associate Professor of Complex Systems, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Associate Professor of Complex Systems, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2023

On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and with the endorsement of the School of Public Health, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of a joint appointment of Marisa C. Eisenberg as associate professor of complex systems, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

Marisa Eisenberg attended the University of California, Los Angeles where she earned her Bachelor of Science in 2003, Master of Science in 2009, and doctorate in biomedical engineering in 2009. Following a three-year post-doctoral fellowship (2009–2012) studying mathematical biology at the The Ohio State University’s Mathematical Biosciences Institute, Professor Eisenberg joined the faculty at Michigan as an assistant professor in 2012 in the Department of Epidemiology and was given a courtesy appointment in the Department of Mathematics in 2013. In 2018, she was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, as well as receiving a courtesy appointment in the Center for the Study of Complex Systems. She was appointed as the director for the Center for the Study of Complex Systems in July 2022 after serving as the interim director since April 2021.

Professor Eisenberg’s research program is in mathematical epidemiology and is focused on using and developing parameter estimation and identifiability techniques to model disease dynamics. Much of her research group’s work is in modeling and analysis of infectious disease epidemiology, including examining COVID-19, environmentally driven diseases, and HPV dynamics. Her collaborative work in this area extends to developing tools, dashboards, and visualizations to understand infectious diseases. Professor Eisenberg also collaborates on several projects related to wastewater monitoring for a range of pathogens. Her research blends mathematics, statistics, and epidemiology to understand transmission dynamics, inform optimal intervention strategies, and improve forecasting.
Professor Eisenberg is a dedicated and engaging instructor and mentor. In addition to her courses in the Department of Epidemiology, she teaches CMPLXSYS 530: Computer Modeling of Complex Systems, a core class for both the undergraduate minor and graduate certificate programs. Under her leadership, the Center for the Study of Complex Systems experienced unprecedented growth by expanding capacity for all classes and introducing new, larger undergraduate courses including CMPLXSYS 100: Intro to Complexity, which Professor Eisenberg will teach in the fall. She is currently serving as a dissertation chair or co-chair for eight doctoral students, is a member of four dissertation committees, and is mentoring four master’s students, two post-doctoral fellows, and three undergraduate students. Additionally, she is a member of five faculty mentoring committees.

Professor Eisenberg has an extensive service record in both the university and her field. In addition to her service as the director of the Center for the Study of Complex Systems, she is a member of several committees including the National Academy of Sciences committee on evaluating the potential for a national wastewater-monitoring system for public health, the U-M COVID-19 Response and Public Health advisory committee, and the Center for the Assessment of Tobacco Regulations FDA Tobacco Centers for Regulatory Science steering committee. Professor Eisenberg has served as the Department of Epidemiology’s DEI advocate and has organized several conferences, symposia, and workshops and, in 2022, she received the University of Michigan President’s Award for National and State Leadership and the State of Michigan Symbol of Excellence Recognition Coin for her service and contributions to public health response during the pandemic.

We are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Marisa C. Eisenberg as associate professor of complex systems, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

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

May 2023
On the recommendation of Shahzad I. Mian, M.D., professor and interim chair of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Victor M. Elner, M.D., Ph.D. as the Ravitz Foundation Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Ravitz Foundation Professorship in Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences was established in January 2008 and is intended to support and promote the research and clinical efforts of a faculty member whose work is focused on ophthalmic pathology. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Victor Elner received his M.D. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Chicago in 1979 and 1986, respectively. He completed residences in ophthalmology and pathology at that institution, followed by fellowships in ophthalmic pathology in association with the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology and at the University of Illinois in Chicago. Dr. Elner also completed a fellowship in ophthalmic plastic and reconstructive surgery at the University of Wisconsin. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences and assistant professor of pathology in 1988. Dr. Elner rose through the ranks to professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences in 1999, and to professor of pathology in 2004.

Dr. Elner continues to serve as the director of the Eye Pathology Service. The volume and meticulousness of cases examined under his leadership have enhanced his department’s ability to use pathology specimens for important research as well as teaching purposes by many of our faculty. Examples of this work include several journal articles (Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, JAMA Ophthalmology, American Journal of Pathology, Investigative Ophthalmology and Visual Science) on the pathophysiology of ocular and periocular tumors and important work on the underlying causes of herpes keratitis, the leading cause of corneal blindness.
in the United States. Dr. Elner and his colleagues have invented and commercialized a device to assess metabolic activity as an early biomarker for chronic eye diseases. This has been studied in more than 300 patients with diabetes and glaucoma and has been FDA approved. Dr. Elner continues to publish on a wide range of topics with 239 publications in total, with 56 publications of these since 2009. He has been invited to speak at several scientific meetings both in the United States and abroad – some of the most noteworthy were as the Keynote Speaker for the 13th International Congress of Ophthalmology and Optometry China (COOC), Shanghai, China in March 2013, as the Victor T. Curtin Lecturer at University of Miami Bascom Palmer Eye Institute in February, 2017, and as guest of honor and speaker at the European Ophthalmic Pathology Society in Leuven, Belgium in June, 2017. Dr. Elner has published 239 peer-reviewed articles and has been a frequently invited speaker at scientific meetings in the United States and abroad.

Dr. Elner’s research will be important for clinical care and research, especially in drug development and personalized medicine. He is an important contributor to the university, and his field of ophthalmic pathology. I am very pleased, therefore, to recommend the reappointment of Victor M. Elner, M.D., Ph.D. as the Ravitz Foundation Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 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

May 2023
**THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN**  
**REGENTS COMMUNICATION**

**ACTION REQUEST:** Reappointment to an Endowed Professorship  

**NAME:** Margherita R. Fontana  

**CURRENT TITLES:** Clifford T. Nelson Endowed Professor, and Professor of Dentistry, with tenure, School of Dentistry  

**TITLE BEING RENEWED:** Clifford T. Nelson Endowed Professor, School of Dentistry  

**TERM:** Five Years, Renewable  

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2028  

The Executive Committee of the School of Dentistry is pleased to recommend the reappointment of Margherita R. Fontana as the Clifford T. Nelson Endowed Professor, School of Dentistry, for a five-year renewable term, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2028.

The Clifford Nelson Endowed Professorship was established in March 2018. Dr. Nelson was a 1919 graduate of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry. Dr. Nelson practiced dentistry in Grand Rapids, Michigan for fifty-eight years, retiring in 1976. He was distinguished by his dedication to excellence in dentistry and was recognized for his work in the developing techniques in restorative dentistry, including a method for casting gold inlays. In 1992, Dr. Nelson gifted a large endowment to the University of Michigan School of Dentistry that has grown substantially over the years. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Margherita Fontana completed her DDS at the Universidad Central de Venezuela in 1990. She earned her PhD in dental sciences from Indiana University in 2006, and became a fellow of the Hedwig van Ameringen Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine (ELAM) Program for Women from Drexel University College of Medicine in 2011. In 1998, she became an assistant professor, and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2005 at the Indiana University School of Dentistry. In 2009, she was recruited to the University of Michigan School of Dentistry as an associate professor, with tenure, in the Department of Cariology, Restorative Sciences and Endodontics and was promoted to professor in 2014.

Professor Fontana is distinguished for her excellence and scholarly distinction. She leads an active research program in in-vitro and clinical studies. Her laboratory studies different strategies for caries risk assessment in children and evaluating non-operative management of cavitated caries lesions in your children. She has been continually funded by government and foundation agencies throughout her tenure, and she has over 165 peer reviewed publications and 12 book chapters. She has achieved many prestigious honors including being accepted in the
2020 Global Health Research Certificate Program. She was inducted as an honorary fellow in the International College of Dentists (2022), and is the recipient of the Indianan University School of Dentistry Alumni Association Distinguished Alumnus Award (2022). She was awarded the Kaplan Visiting Scholar Professor Research Award (2022), Faculty of the Year Award from first year dental students (2021 and 2022), American Association of Dental Research and International Academy of Dental Research William J. Gies Award (2020), and Michigan Institute of Clinical and Health Research Mentor Award (2018).

Professor Fontana show significant dedication in her role as a mentor to many pre-doctoral and graduate students, many, of whom have received prestigious national and international recognition. Within her field of cariology, she is recognized as a leader serving as first president of the American Academy of Cariology and chair of research subcommittee for the Council for Scientific Affairs. She currently serves as the director of Global Initiatives Program in Oral and Craniofacial Health at the School of Dentistry.

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Margherita R. Fontana as the Clifford T. Nelson Endowed Professor, School of Dentistry, for a five-year renewable term, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2028.

Recommended by:          Recommendation endorsed by:

Jan Hu
Interim Dean, School of Dentistry

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Mary E. Gallagher

CURRENT TITLES: Amy and Alan Lowenstein Professor of Democracy, Democratization, and Human Rights, Director, International Institute, and Professor of Political Science, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Amy and Alan Lowenstein Professor of Democracy, Democratization, and Human Rights, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028

With the approval of the Executive Committees of the Department of Political Science and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Mary E. Gallagher as the Amy and Alan Lowenstein Professor of Democracy, Democratization, and Human Rights, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Amy and Alan Lowenstein Professorship in Democracy, Democratization, and Human Rights was established in September 2001 as a result of a generous gift from Alan Lowenstein. Appointments may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Mary Gallagher received her Bachelor of Arts from Smith College in 1991 before attending Princeton University where she earned her Master of Arts in 1996 and her doctorate in 2001. She joined our faculty as an assistant professor in 2000, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2008, and to professor in 2016.

Professor Gallagher is the leading scholar of Chinese law, labor, and workforce issues. She is at the forefront of the new scholarship on China doing work that relies on systematic fieldwork and surveys coupled with qualitative interviewing, work that is much more tied to and relevant for broad questions about authoritarian rule and to the broader landscape of social science. Her book, Authoritarian Legality: Law, Works, and the State in China (Cambridge University Press, 2017), received an honorable mention from the Asian Law and Society Association in 2018. She was awarded a Fulbright Global Scholar Award in 2020 for a new project on attitudes toward China in the United States, Germany, Korea, and Japan. Professor Gallagher continues to publish journal articles on domestic Chinese politics and political economy, U.S.-China relations, and U.S.-China higher education collaboration. She has also provided testimony to the Senate Finance Committee Subcommittee on Fiscal Responsibility and Economic Growth, congressional staffer briefings on
Chinese domestic politics, and other forms of analysis for the Departments of State, the Department of Justice, the National Intelligence Council, and the U.K. Foreign Office.

Professor Gallagher continues to be an active classroom teacher and her teaching contributions have focused on two areas. First, she received a Foundational Course Initiative grant from CRLT to revamp “PS 140: Introduction to Comparative Politics” with several colleagues and considerable improvements have been made to the course. She won the department’s Metrick Family Creativity and Collaboration in Teaching Award for this effort.

Second, she has taught the Research Design seminar for first-year students in the MIRS degree at the International Institute in 2021-2022 and 2022-23. Working with other colleagues at the International Institute and a Department of Political Science committee, she co-taught the Korean Politics seminar which led to a successful hire, Dae Ho Lee. Professor Gallagher has also served as the student coordinator in the Department of Political Science department curriculum committee, which led to a successful hire, Hyun Joo Kim. Since that time, she has also re-taught the International Institute program in the Korean Studies program.

Professor Gallagher has contributed significantly to the college, university, and profession. She served as the director of the Lieberthal-Rogel Center for Chinese Studies from 2008-2020. In 2020, she became the director of the International Institute at a time of pandemic-related crisis and immense internal change with the reorganization of the master’s programs in the MIRS degree. Since then, she has also led the International Institute program in the MRS degree.

We are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Mary E. Gallagher for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Anne Curzan, Dean
Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of English Language and Literature, Linguistics, President for Academic Affairs
May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to a Research Professorship

NAME: Judith L. Heidebrink, M.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Richard D. and Katherine M. O’Connor Research Professor of Alzheimer’s Disease, and Clinical Professor, Department of Neurology, Medical School

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Richard D. and Katherine M. O’Connor Research Professor of Alzheimer’s Disease, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028

On the recommendation of Dawn Kleindorfer, M.D., the Robert W. Brear Professor and chair of the Department of Neurology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Judith L. Heidebrink, M.D. as the Richard D. and Katherine M. O’Connor Research Professor of Alzheimer’s Disease, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Richard D. and Katherine M. O’Connor Research Professorship in Alzheimer’s Disease was established October 2012 through gifts from the estate of Richard D. O’Connor. Mr. O’Connor and his wife Katherine were tremendous supporters of the University of Michigan, the Health System, and the Comprehensive Cancer Center. The appointment period is up to five years and is renewable.

Dr. Heidebrink serves as the Cognitive/Alzheimer’s Disease Division co-director, the director of the Cognitive Disorders Clinic, a member and pilot grant reviewer for the Michigan Alzheimer’s Disease Center, and on the departmental Clinical track promotions committee. She has published 28 peer-reviewed articles and is the principal investigator for numerous clinical trials. She is an exceptional clinician researcher who takes outstanding care of patients with Alzheimer’s and other dementing disease, and her research continues to play a key role in advancing our understanding of these conditions.
Dr. Heidebrink continues to be a productive and strong contributor to the Department of Neurology, an exceptional clinician-researcher, and a deserving recipient of this prestigious professorship. I am very pleased, therefore, to recommend the reappointment of Judith L. Heidebrink, M.D. as the Richard D. and Katherine M. O’Connor Research Professor of Alzheimer’s Disease, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 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

May 2023
I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Mingyan Liu as the Peter and Evelyn Fuss Chair of Electrical and Computer Engineering, College of Engineering, effective June 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025.

Mingyan Liu received her B.S. in electrical engineering in 1995 from the Nanjing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics. She received her M.S. in systems engineering and her Ph.D. in electrical and computer engineering from the University of Maryland, College Park, in 1997 and 2000, respectively. Following graduation, Professor Liu joined the University of Michigan as an assistant professor. She was promoted to associate professor in 2006 and to professor in 2012. She was appointed as the Peter and Evelyn Fuss Chair of Electrical and Computer Engineering in 2018.

Professor Liu’s research interests are in optimal resource allocation, sequential decision theory, incentive design, and performance modeling and analysis, all within the context of large-scale networked systems. Her most recent research activities involve cyber risk quantification and designing cybersecurity incentive mechanisms using large-scale internet measurement data and machine learning techniques. Technologies she developed in this space have been successfully commercialized.

Professor Liu is the recipient of the 2002 NSF CAREER Award, the University of Michigan Elizabeth C. Crosby Research Award in 2003 and 2014, the 2010 EECS Department Outstanding Achievement Award, the 2015 College of Engineering Excellence in Education Award, the 2017 College of Engineering Excellence in Service Award, and the 2018 Distinguished University Innovator Award. She is a fellow of the IEEE and a member of the ACM.
Professor Liu has demonstrated that she possesses the experience, ability, and commitment to fulfill the important responsibilities of a department chair in the College of Engineering. I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Mingyan Liu as the Peter and Evelyn Fuss Chair of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, College of Engineering, effective June 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025.

RECOMMENDED BY:  

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Nouri Neamati

CURRENT TITLES: John G. Searle Professor of Medicinal Chemistry, and Professor of Medicinal Chemistry, with tenure, College of Pharmacy

TITLE BEING RENEWED: John G. Searle Professor of Medicinal Chemistry, College of Pharmacy

EFFECTIVE DATES: July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028

On behalf of the College of Pharmacy, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Nouri Neamati as the John G. Searle Professor of Medicinal Chemistry, for a five-year renewable term, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

The John G. Searle Professorship was established in 1977 by Mr. Searle with a $1 million endowment in order to enable us to recognize distinguished faculty who are leading scholars in their fields. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Nouri Neamati completed his B.S. and M.S. in chemistry, both at the University of Alabama, Huntsville, in 1982 and 1984, respectively. He served as a senior research assistant at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center for seven years, earning his M.S. in medicinal chemistry from the University of Houston in 1990. He completed his Ph.D. at the University of Texas Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences in 1995. Professor Neamati spent five years at the National Cancer Institute as a post-doctoral research fellow beginning in 1995. He joined the University of Southern California as an assistant professor and member of the USC Norris Cancer Center in 2000. He was promoted to associate professor in 2006 and to professor in 2011. In 2013, he joined the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy as a professor of medicinal chemistry and was also appointed as the John G. Searle Professor of Medicinal Chemistry at that time.

Professor Neamati is an outstanding scientist with a national and international reputation as a leader in drug discovery and design for the treatment of cancer. He has amassed an extremely impressive amount of scholarly work including more than 300 research articles and more than 40 patent applications. He has an h-index of 70, and his work has been cited more than 15,000 times according to Scopus. He has been invited to present his work at more than 60 international meetings and many prominent institutions, and he has been the recipient of several awards related to his cancer research and drug discovery.
Professor Neamati has a successful record of teaching Pharm.D. students as well as graduate-level students in the areas of pharmacokinetics, oncology, immunology and protein science. He has mentored an impressive number of graduate students, post-doctoral trainees, and professional students in pharmacy and medicine, many of whom have won prestigious awards and fellowships. Professor Neamati is an excellent citizen of his profession and university, serving on numerous committees, editorial boards, and grant review study sections for the NIH, other government agencies, and agencies outside the US. He has served as an associate editor for *Current Anticancer Drug Targets* since 2001.

We are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Nouri Neamati as the John G. Searle Professor of Medicinal Chemistry, College of Pharmacy, for a five-year renewable term, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Vicki L. Ellingrod, PharmD, FCCP, FACNP
Dean
John Gideon Searle Professor, Professor of Pharmacy
Professor of Psychiatry
College of Pharmacy

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

May 2023
The University of Michigan
Regents Communication

Action Request: Reappointment to an Endowed Professorship

Name: Rafael Neis

Current Titles: Jean and Samuel Frankel Professor of Rabbinic Literature, Professor of Judaic Studies, with tenure, and Professor of History, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Title Being Renewed: Jean and Samuel Frankel Professor of Rabbinic Literature, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Term: Five Years, Renewable

Effective Dates: September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028

With the approval of the Executive Committees of the Departments of History and Judaic Studies and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Rafael Neis as the Jean and Samuel Frankel Professor of Rabbinic Literature, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

As a result of a generous gift from Jean and Samuel Frankel and the Ira and Nick Harris Challenge Fund, this professorship was established in June 1997. A stipend funded from college resources accompanies this professorship. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Rafael Neis received their Law Degree from the London School of Economics in 1998 and Master of Arts from Boston University in 2001. They earned their doctorate from Harvard University in 2007. Professor Neis subsequently joined our faculty as an assistant professor in 2007, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2013, and to professor in 2022.

Professor Neis is a scholar of ancient history and religious studies and is recognized as an innovative leader in the field of ancient Judaism. With a focus on late ancient Roman Palestine and Persian Mesopotamia, particularly rabbinic history and culture, their research encompasses law and legal theory, visuality and the senses, science studies, animal studies, and queer theory. In the last five years, they have maintained an active and original research agenda. They have completed seven new articles and book chapters (one co-authored), which have appeared in major journals in the field such as Jewish Quarterly Review and Journal of Ancient Judaism. Most prominently, Professor Neis’s forthcoming book with University of California Press, When a Human Gives Birth to a Raven: Rabbis and the Reproduction of Species, investigates rabbinic
treatises relating to animals, humans, and other lifeforms and stands to receive national and international recognition. They have also published three public-facing articles in Religion Dispatches and Ancient Jew Review and shared their research in at least twenty talks in academic and public-facing contexts. They served as a Public Engagement Faculty Fellow in 2021.

During this period of prolific research and publication activities, Professor Neis has continued to teach attractive courses that cross disciplinary fields. They offer a broad range of courses that allow students to explore not only Rabbinic texts, but also ancient Jewish history, Jewish visual and material culture (from antiquity to the present), ancient law and legal theory, as well as gender and sexuality in Jewish history. Recent new courses include “Sex and Sexuality in Jewish History” and “Humans and Nonhumans in Antiquity.” They have also devoted thought and time into mentoring graduate students and early career colleagues. They have chaired three dissertation committees and are currently serving on eight dissertation committees and supervising two undergraduate theses.

Professor Neis has contributed to faculty governance in both their units, serving as a member of the steering committee of the Eisenberg Institute for Historical Studies and as a member of tenure and third-year review panels. In Fall 2022, they began a term as the director of the Interdepartmental Program in Ancient History (IPAH), a joint graduate program between the Departments of History and Classical Studies. They have also served in leadership positions at the Association for Jewish Studies, and the Society of Biblical Literature, and joined the inaugural editorial board for the Ancient Cultures of Knowledge Series, Mohr Siebeck (Tübingen).

We are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Rafael Neis as the Jean and Samuel Frankel Professor of Rabbinic Literature, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Christine C. Nelson, M.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Bartley R. Frueh, M.D. and Frueh Family Collegiate Professor of Eye Plastics and Orbital Surgery, Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, with tenure, and Professor of Surgery, without tenure, Medical School

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Bartley R. Frueh, M.D. and Frueh Family Collegiate Professor of Eye Plastics and Orbital Surgery, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028

On the recommendation of Shahzad I. Mian, M.D., professor and interim chair of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Christine C. Nelson, M.D. as the Bartley R. Frueh, M.D. and Frueh Family Collegiate Professor of Eye Plastics and Orbital Surgery, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Bartley R. Frueh, M.D. and Frueh Family Collegiate Professorship in Eye Plastics and Orbital Surgery was established in July 2013 through donations from the late Dr. Bartley Frueh, Mrs. Cheryl Frueh, and friends and alumni of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences. This professorship is intended to support research and clinical efforts in oculoplastics. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Christine Nelson joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 1985 as an assistant professor. She rose through the ranks to a professor in the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, and in the Department of Surgery, in 2009. She is the co-director of the Kellogg International Center and is the point person for the St. Paul’s Millennium Medical School Ophthalmology Residency program, Addis Abba, Ethiopia which was started in 2015. Under Dr. Nelson’s direction they have accepted seven years of residents and are progressing well. In line with her international work, she has represented Michigan on the World Association of Eye Hospitals Board and hosted the first North American meeting in June of 2018 at the Kellogg Eye Center.

Dr. Nelson’s clinical areas of interest and expertise are evaluation and treatment of pediatric and adult patients with disorders of the eyelid and orbital disease. Her research interests include genetics of anophthalmia and microphthalmia, oncology of the lid and orbit, and the prevalence of body dysmorphic disorders. She is internationally renowned for her clinical and academic work, receiving the Wendell Hughes Lectureship – the highest honor – from the American Society of
Ophthalmic and Plastic Reconstructive Surgery. During her tenure as the oculoplastic section leader for the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Dr. Nelson put together a cross disciplinary team of faculty and medical students to explore whether ermoscopy could be adapted to evaluate periorbital, eyelid and conjunctival lesion. The results of their IRB-approved proof-of-concept study were presented at the 2022 meeting of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. Dr. Nelson continues to contribute both nationally and internationally by lecturing and teaching in Ethiopia, South Africa, China, Taiwan, Rotterdam, and Copenhagen at meetings and as a visiting professor. Since 2013, Dr. Nelson has published 25 papers. The highlight of the last five years was the publication of “Biochemical basis for dominant inheritance, variable penetrance, and maternal effects in RBP4 congenital eye disease” in *Cell*. This was the highlight of her research which involved the collaboration with doctors in human genetics and the finding of a new gene, RBP4.

Dr. Nelson is internationally renowned for her clinical and academic work and is a worthy holder of this professorship. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the reappointment of Christine C. Nelson, M.D. as the Bartley R. Frueh, M.D. and Frueh Family Collegiate Professor of Eye Plastics and Orbital Surgery, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of a Joint Appointment

NAME: Sara A. Pozzi

CURRENT TITLES: University Diversity and Social Transformation Professor, Professor of Nuclear Engineering and Radiological Sciences, with tenure, College of Engineering, and Professor of Physics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2023

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Physics and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and with the endorsement of the College of Engineering, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of a joint appointment of Sara A. Pozzi as professor of physics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

Sara Pozzi attended the Polytechnic of Milan where she completed her Master of Science in 1997 and her doctorate in the science and technology of nuclear plants in 2001. Following a one-year appointment as a post-doctoral researcher at Polytechnic of Milan (2001-2002) and a two-year appointment as a post-doctoral research associate at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (2002-2004), she was appointed to the research staff at Oak Ridge (2004-2006). Professor Pozzi began her instructional career as an adjunct assistant professor at the University of Tennessee (2006-2008) before joining the faculty at Michigan as an associate professor, without tenure, (2007-2010). She was granted tenure in 2010 and promoted to professor in 2015. She was awarded with a University Diversity and Social Transformation Professorship in 2022.

Professor Pozzi’s research interests include the study of nuclear fission and radiation imaging for nuclear materials detection, identification, and characterization. The overarching topics include nuclear nonproliferation, safeguards, and national security. In her fission work, she and her students study the neutron and gamma ray emissions from induced and spontaneous fission, including their energy and angle correlations. In her imaging work, she leads the development of a neutron and gamma ray radiation imager to locate and characterize plutonium. Professor Pozzi is the co-author of “MCNP-PoliMi: A Monte Carlo Code for Correlation Measurements” (Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research Section A, 2003), which is being used at over fifty institutions worldwide. Her publication record includes over 400 papers in journals and international conference proceedings, and she has been invited to give over 100 seminars, both nationally and internationally. She works closely with faculty in the Department of Physics through seminars, talks, and jointly-funded research projects that have resulted in several peer-reviewed publications.

Professor Pozzi has organized and taught many short courses and workshops in the College of Engineering and is an excellent mentor and advisor, for which she was honored with the 2018
She has graduated twenty-four doctoral students, some of whom were physics students, who went on to develop successful careers at national laboratories, academia, and industry. She has served as a doctoral committee member for six physics students since 2014, and regularly mentors undergraduate and master’s students and includes them in her research.

Professor Pozzi is the founding director of the Consortium for Verification Technology 2014-2019 and the Consortium for Monitoring, Technology, and Verification 2019-2024, two large consortia of multiple universities and national laboratories working together to develop new technologies needed for nuclear treaty verification.

In 2018, she was appointed as the inaugural director of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) for the College of Engineering. In this capacity, she heads the DEI implementation committee and works to ensure that the students, faculty, and staff are increasingly diverse, everyone is treated equitably, and everyone feels included. Professor Pozzi has served the university in many different capacities, most recently as a member of the ADVANCE advisory committee.

Professor Pozzi serves as an editor for major journals in the field of nuclear engineering, including *Annals of Nuclear Energy*, *Nuclear Instruments and Methods Section A*, and *Transactions of Nuclear Science*. She was elected as the vice-president/president elect of the IEEE Nuclear and Plasma Sciences Society in 2022 and previously served as a member of the society’s administrative committee. Professor Pozzi is an editorial board member of *Nuclear Science and Engineering* and *Progress in Nuclear Energy*.

We are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of a joint appointment of Sara A. Pozzi as professor of physics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY: Anne Curzan, Dean of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDED ENDORSED BY: Geneva Smitherman Collegiate Professor of English Language and Literature, Linguistics, President for Academic Affairs

Alec D. Gallimore, Ph.D. Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering
I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Tuija I. Pulkkinen as the chair, Department of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023 through May 31, 2025.

Tuija Pulkkinen received her Ph.D. degree in theoretical physics in 1992 from the University of Helsinki in Finland. She joined the University of Michigan in 2018 as a professor and chair of the Department of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering. In 2022, she was appointed as the George R. Carignan Collegiate Professor of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering. She has worked previously as the dean and vice president for research and innovation at Aalto University, and as a research professor at the Finnish Meteorological Institute.

Professor Pulkkinen has held numerous positions in international and national scientific organizations including the presidency of the European Geosciences Union and member of the Council of the Committee for Space Research (COSPAR). She is the co-chair of the Committee for Solar and Space Physics under the Space Studies Board, and she chaired the recent NASA Heliophysics Senior Review. She has also served in several other functions for the NAS, research funding organizations, and university assessments. Professor Pulkkinen is a member of the National Academy of Sciences, Royal Astronomical Society, and Finnish Academy of Sciences and Letters, and fellow of the American Geophysical Union. She is the recipient of the James B. Macelwane medal of the American Geophysical Union and the Julius Bartels Medal of the European Geosciences Union.

Professor Pulkkinen’s research interests focus on the plasma physics of the Sun-Earth system. Using the University of Michigan Space Weather Modeling Framework, her research currently targets to resolve the physical processes responsible for driving the plasma dynamics and energetic particle acceleration in the near-Earth space. In particular, she is interested in
quantifying the entry of energy from the interplanetary medium into the Earth’s space environment that is responsible for the space weather hazards posed as well as to spacecraft in orbit as ground-based (power transmission and other) infrastructure. Graduate students and post-doctoral scientists in her research group are involved both in numerical simulations and analysis of observations made by NASA Earth-orbiting satellite missions as well as by ground-based auroral and magnetic instruments.

Professor Pulkkinen has demonstrated that she possesses the experience, ability, and commitment to fulfill the important responsibilities of a department chair in the College of Engineering. I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Tuija I. Pulkkinen as the chair, Department of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, College of Engineering, September 1, 2023 through May 31, 2025.

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

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Academic Administrative Appointment

NAME: Nicola Terrenato

CURRENT TITLES: Esther B. Van Deman Collegiate Professor of Roman Studies, Director, Kelsey Museum of Archaeology, and Professor of Classical Archaeology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

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

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

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

Nicola Terrenato received his Doctorate from the University of Pisa in 1994. Following a series of lecturer and visiting research fellowship appointments, Professor Terrenato began his instructional career as an assistant professor at the University of North Carolina (1998-2004). He was promoted to associate professor in 2004 and appointed as a professor in UM’s Department of Classical Studies in 2009. Professor Terrenato has provided valuable service on a number of fronts, including chair of a search committee which resulted in an excellent hire, member of the Executive Committee, and Graduate Advisor for the Interdepartmental Program in Classical Art and Archaeology (IPCAA). He was appointed as the Esther B. Van Deman Collegiate Professor of Roman Studies in 2015. Professor Terrenato has received major funding from the National Science Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the National Geographic Society, and the Loeb Foundation. His success in obtaining external funding is a testament to his reputation for scholarly excellence and the tremendous importance of his two excavation projects. Other marks of his professional standing include fellowships at the British Academy, Cambridge University, and the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, NJ. Professor Terrenato is also a recipient of a Distinguished Faculty Achievement Award and a Michigan Humanities Award, among others. He has been director of the Kelsey Museum of Archaeology since 2020.
We are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Nicola Terrenato as director, Kelsey Museum of Archaeology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Anthony M. Waas

CURRENT TITLES: Richard A. Auhll Department Chair of Aerospace Engineering, Felix W Pawlowski Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering, Professor of Aerospace Engineering, with tenure, and Professor of Mechanical Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Felix W. Pawlowski Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2028

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Anthony M. Waas as the Felix W. Pawlowski Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2028.

The Felix W. Pawlowski Collegiate Professorship in Aerospace Engineering was established in December 2008 to honor Felix W. Pawlowski, a former faculty member of the college. The professorship is funded by the College of Engineering.

Anthony Waas received his B.Sc. in aeronautics (with first class honors) from the Imperial College, University of London, U.K. in 1982. He received his M.S. in aeronautics and his Ph.D. in aeronautics with a minor in applied mathematics from the California Institute of Technology in 1983 and 1988, respectively. Following graduation, Professor Waas was appointed at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor of aerospace engineering. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 1994, and to professor in 2000. In 2005, he received an additional appointment in the Department of Mechanical Engineering, and in 2009, he was appointed as the Felix W. Pawlowski Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering. Professor Waas was appointed at the University of Washington in January 2015 as the Boeing Egtvedt Endowed Chair Professor and chairman of the William E. Boeing Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics. He returned to the University of Michigan in 2018 as the Richard A. Auhll Department Chair of Aerospace Engineering and the Felix W. Pawlowski Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering.
Professor Waas’ current research interests are robotically manufactured lightweight structures, computational modeling of composite aerostructures, 3D printed lightweight structures, damage tolerance of composite structures, affordable textile composites, and data science applications in modeling of materials and structures.

Professor Waas is a fellow of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA), the American Society of Mechanical Engineering (ASME), the American Society for Composites (ASC), the American Academy of Mechanics (AAM) and the Royal Aeronautical Society, UK. He is a recipient of several best paper awards, the 2016 AIAA/ASME SDM award, the AAM Jr. Research Award, the ASC Outstanding Researcher Award, and several distinguished awards from the University of Michigan, including the Stephen S. Attwood award for Excellence in Engineering, one of the highest honors for an engineering faculty member at the University of Michigan. He received the AIAA-ASME-ASC James H. Starnes, Jr. Award in 2017 for seminal contributions to composite structures and materials, and for mentoring students and other young professionals. In 2017, Professor Waas was elected to the Washington State Academy of Sciences, and in 2018 to the European Academy of Sciences and Arts. He is the recipient of the 2020 AIAA ICME Prize, and the 2020 ASME Warner T. Koiter Medal. Recently, Professor Waas was elected to the US NAE Aeronautics and Space Engineering Board. He was awarded the AIAA Dryden Lecture in Research Award which was presented in January 2022 at the International AIAA SciTech Conference.

Professor Waas’ academic achievements fully merit his reappointment as the Felix W. Pawlowski Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering. I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Anthony M. Waas as the Felix W. Pawlowski Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2028.

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

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Brian J. Weatherson

CURRENT TITLES: Marshall M. Weinberg Professor of Philosophy and Professor of Philosophy, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Marshall M. Weinberg Professor of Philosophy, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2028

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Philosophy and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Brian J. Weatherson as the Marshall M. Weinberg Professor of Philosophy, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2028.

The Marshall M. Weinberg Endowed Distinguished Visiting Professorship in Philosophy was established in May 1999 from the generosity of Marshall M. Weinberg, who provided a gift of $750,000. With an additional gift from Marshall M. Weinberg to increase the market value of the existing endowment fund to $2 million, the visiting professorship was renamed as the Marshall M. Weinberg Professorship in Philosophy in December 2011.

Brian Weatherson attended Monash University where he earned his Bachelor of Arts in 1994 and his doctorate in 1998. Following a fellowship at Syracuse University, Professor Weatherson began his instructional career as an assistant professor at Brown University. He was appointed as an associate professor at Cornell University (2004-2007) and Rutgers University (2008-2011) before joining our faculty as the Marshall M. Weinberg Professor of Philosophy and professor of philosophy in 2012.

Professor Weatherson is a distinguished expert in epistemology, philosophy of language, and decision theory. He continues to be a highly productive scholar and has published in major philosophical journals such as Episteme and the Australasian Journal of Philosophy. He is one of the most highly cited philosophers in his fields, whose eminence continues to grow. His book, Normative Externalism (Oxford University Press, 2019), seeks to overturn dominant assumptions about what people ought to do, in denying that what they ought to do is relative to the evidence they have. He has recently published A History of Philosophy Journals, Volume 1:
Evidence from Topic Modeling, 1876-2013 (Maize Press, 2022), which employs technological developments to consider important trends in philosophy, as reflected in tens of thousands of journal publications published over the course of 137 years.

Professor Weatherson is a highly versatile and valuable instructor who performs important roles in the department’s undergraduate and graduate programs and stands ready to teach a wide variety of courses at all levels. His graduate advising record is also impressive. He has served on six dissertation committees over the past five years, co-chairing three, and is currently advising several students in their pre-dissertation work.

Professor Weatherson has served the department in diverse service capacities since the last appointment renewal. He has served as the director of graduate studies, coordinator for the Graduate Student Instructor Training and Evaluation committee, course scheduler, and as the chair of several review panels. He is presently the editor of Philosophers’ Imprint and serves as reviewer for book manuscripts and proposals, funding proposals, and graduate degrees.

With such an excellent record of continued productivity and distinction in all areas, we are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Brian J. Weatherson as the Marshall M. Weinberg Professor of Philosophy, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2028.

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

May 2023
I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Michael P. Wellman as the Richard H. Orenstein Division Chair of Computer Science and Engineering, College of Engineering, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2024.

Michael Wellman received his S.B. and S.M. in computer science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in 1983 and 1985, respectively. He remained at MIT to earn his Ph.D. in artificial intelligence in 1988. Following graduation, Professor Wellman served as a research scientist for the USAF Wright Laboratory. During this time, he also served as an adjunct assistant professor for the Air Force Institute of Technology. Professor Wellman joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor in 1992. He was promoted to associate professor in 1996 and to professor in 2001. From 1998 to 2000, he was also the chief market technologist for TradingDynamics, Inc. Professor Wellman was appointed as the Lynn A. Conway Collegiate Professor of Computer Science and Engineering in 2015. He served as the director of the Artificial Intelligence Laboratory (2001-2005), as associate chair for the Computer Science and Engineering Division (2007-2009), as a member of the College of Engineering Executive Committee (2013-2016), and as the associate dean for academic affairs (2016-2020). In 2020, he was appointed as the Richard H. Orenstein Division Chair of Computer Science and Engineering.

Professor Wellman’s research has focused on computational market mechanisms and game-theoretic reasoning methods, with applications in electronic commerce, finance, and cybersecurity. He has published over 200 research articles and graduated 26 Ph.D. students to date. He received the ACM/SIGAI Autonomous Agents Research Award in 2014.

Professor Wellman has served the research community in various leadership roles, including program and/or conference chair of major conferences, and executive editor of the Journal of
Artificial Intelligence Research. He previously served as the chair of the ACM Special Interest Group on Electronic Commerce (SIGecom), and on numerous boards and advisory committees for industry and government. He is a fellow of the Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence, as well as the Association for Computing Machinery.

Professor Wellman has demonstrated that he possesses the experience, ability, and commitment to fulfill the important responsibilities of a department chair in the College of Engineering. I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Michael P. Wellman as the Richard H. Orenstein Division Chair of Computer Science and Engineering, College of Engineering, effective June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2024.

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

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Virginia R. Young

CURRENT TITLES: Cecil J. and Ethel M. Nesbitt Professor of Actuarial Mathematics, and Professor of Mathematics, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Cecil J. and Ethel M. Nesbitt Professor of Actuarial Mathematics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028

With the approval of the Executive Committees of the Department of Mathematics and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Virginia R. Young as the Cecil J. and Ethel M. Nesbitt Professor of Actuarial Mathematics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Cecil J. and Ethel M. Nesbitt Professorship in Actuarial Mathematics was established in May 2003 as a result of several generous gifts from alumni of the Michigan Actuarial Program. These gifts were in recognition of the life of Cecil J. Nesbitt and his more than forty-three active years educating actuarial undergraduate and graduate students. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Virginia Young received her Bachelor of Arts from Cumberland College in 1981 and earned her doctorate from the University of Virginia in 1984. Following a post-doctoral fellowship at Princeton University, she began her instructional career as an assistant professor at Cumberland College in 1986 and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 1989. She held an actuary position from 1990-1993 before joining the faculty at the University of Wisconsin-Madison where she stayed until she joined our faculty as the Cecil J. and Ethel M. Nesbitt Professor of Actuarial Mathematics and professor of mathematics in 2003.

Professor Young is a scholar of actuarial and financial mathematics and much of her current research deals with financial and insurance decision-making of individuals and insurance companies. She has published several recent papers, including seven just in 2022, on reinsurance, lifetime ruin, target-bequest investment, asset allocation, optimal dividends, and mean-variance investment. Her work continues to appear in prestigious actuarial and applied
mathematics journals such as the *Journal of Probability* and the *SIAM Journal on Financial Mathematics*.

Professor Young continues to play a vital role in the department through her teaching and mentorship. Since 2018, she has taught the following financial mathematics courses: “Life Contingencies II,” “Loss Models I,” “Loss Models II,” and “Probability.” Her student evaluations are consistently excellent, and she is a highly sought-after undergraduate student advisor and counselor. She has also been working with many post-doctoral students and graduate students and has served on several doctoral committees.

In addition to student advising and mentoring, Professor Young has performed valuable service on important committees in her department and in her profession. In the last five years, she has served on the department’s self-study committee and climate committee. She is a member of the Society of Actuaries and has been very active as a reviewer.

We are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Virginia R. Young as the Cecil J. and Ethel M. Nesbitt Professor of Actuarial Mathematics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

Recommendations for approval of joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff
On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Anthropology and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and with the endorsement of the Law School, we are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Omolade Adunbi as professor of anthropology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

Omolade Adunbi received his Bachelor of Arts from Ondo State University in 1992. He attended Yale University where he earned his Master of Arts in 2004, his Master of Philosophy in 2006, and his doctorate in 2010. He joined our faculty as an assistant professor in 2010, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2016, and to professor in 2022.

Professor Adunbi is an internationally recognized political and environmental anthropologist whose primary areas of research are environmental anthropology, political anthropology, human rights, China's relations with Africa, natural resource extraction, and West African societies. His book, Oil Wealth and Insurgency in Nigeria (Indiana University Press, 2015), won the 2017 Royal Anthropological Institute of Great Britain and Ireland's Amaury Talbot Book Award for the best book in anthropology of Africa. His latest book, Enclaves of Exception: Special Economic Zones and Extractive Practices in Nigeria (Indiana University Press, 2022), interrogates the idea of Free Trade Zones and their interrelatedness to oil refining practices, infrastructure, and China's engagement with Africa. His new project is at the intersection of social media, climate change, and the politics of the environment.

Professor Omolade Adunbi is an engaging and dedicated teacher of graduate and undergraduate students who has had a steady student enrollment growth over the years due to his commitment to pedagogical innovation. His courses are rich in anthropological content and frequently attract graduate students from the Department of Anthropology. The quality of his teaching has been recognized with a John Dewey for Excellence in Teaching and Research Award (2022), a Class of 1923 Excellence in Teaching Award (2016) and two nominations for the Golden Apple.
Award. His involvement in the department will include graduate student advising and developing new courses that will be cross-listed with the Department of Afroamerican and African Studies.

Professor Omolade Adunbi has served as the director of the African Studies Center since 2022, and served as one of the two associate chairs of the Department of Afroamerican and African Studies from 2018-2022. He has been involved in many departmental committees, been a liaison to other programs across the university, and we anticipate his involvement in committees within the Department of Anthropology. In his capacity as a major figure in African studies on campus, he has also served on committees for the Masters in International and Regional Studies (MIRS), the African Studies Center, and the South African Initiative Office. His service to the university is expansive, including his role in the Presidential Award Committee on Distinguished Service in International Education, the Donia Human Rights Center Advisory Board, and the University of Michigan Press Executive Committee. Nationally and internationally, he has served on many editorial and advisory boards, including the Association of Africanist Anthropologists, the National Science Foundation, and the Social Action Interaction (Canada).

We are very pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Omolade Adunbi as professor of anthropology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Mark B. West
David A. Breach Dean of Law
Nippon Life Professor of Law
Law School

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Research Professorship

NAME: Joseph Trent Alexander

CURRENT TITLE: Research Professor, Institute for Social Research

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Collegiate Research Professor, Office of the Vice President for Research

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Joseph Trent Alexander as the Collegiate Research Professor, Office of the Vice President for Research, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Collegiate Research Professorship was established in May 2022. The professorship is awarded to recognize exceptional scholarly achievement and impact on advancing knowledge in science, engineering, health, education, the arts, the humanities or other academic fields of study. A stipend from the Office of the Vice President for Research accompanies this professorship. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Professor Alexander is a research professor at the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research, based in the Institute for Social Research.

His research involving historical migration examines the intergenerational impact of the Great Migration of Southerners, particularly Black Southerners, to the northern United States. Professor Alexander’s research, published in leading journals such as Demography and the American Journal of Sociology, leverages longitudinally linked data to understand return migration patterns, effects on children and grandchildren of migrants, and determinants of social and economic mobility for migrants. His methodological papers, also published in leading journals such as Public Opinion Quarterly and IEEE: History of Computing, advance data science approaches to digitization of historical records and record linkage, as well as implications of privacy and record linkage practices on data quality.
He received a Ph.D. in history from Carnegie Mellon University. Since joining ISR in 2017, Professor Alexander has been extremely successful in his entrepreneurial activities, serving as the principal investigator for more than $16 million in awards, including multiple NSF and NIH awards. These awards support and advance Professor Alexander’s Decennial Census Digitization and Linkage (DCDL) project, which involves digitizing the individual household responses to the U.S. Censuses of 1970, 1980 and 1990, and linking them to the earlier and later Censuses. Before joining the university, Professor Alexander worked at the U.S. Census Bureau, where he created the widely used crosswalk between the 1940 and 2000 censuses. Thus, DCDL will create a data framework for studying the entire U.S. population over the last 80 years.

Professor Alexander’s exceptional scholarly achievements, the impact of his research and his commitment to inspiring new generations of researchers make him an outstanding candidate for this award. I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Joseph Trent Alexander as the Collegiate Research Professor, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rebecca Cunningham, M.D.
Vice President for Research
William G. Barsan Collegiate Professor
of Emergency Medicine
Professor of Health Behavior and
Health Education

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Elizabeth A. Armstrong

CURRENT TITLES: Sherry B. Ortner Collegiate Professor of Sociology, Professor of Sociology, with tenure, and Professor of Women’s and Gender Studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

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

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

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts are pleased to recommend the appointment of Elizabeth A. Armstrong as chair, Department of Sociology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

Elizabeth A. Armstrong received her Bachelor of Arts from the University of Michigan in 1988. She attended the University of California, Berkeley where she earned her Master of Arts in 1990 and her Doctorate in 1998. Professor Armstrong began her instructional career as an assistant professor at Indiana University in 2000 and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2007. She joined our faculty as an associate professor, with tenure, in 2009, and was promoted to professor in 2014. Professor Armstrong’s research focuses on the reproduction of gender, class, and race inequalities. She examines these processes in the domain of sexuality and within the organizational context of the university. She has a strong record of mentoring and teaching. In 2005, she was the recipient of the Outstanding Mentor Award by the Sociology Graduate Student Association. The students she mentors go on to have successful careers and some are considered rising stars in their fields. Professor Armstrong has served on several committees in the Departments of Sociology, Organizational Studies, and Women’s and Gender Studies; she has organized the Initiative on Gender-Based Violence and Sexual Harassment since 2020 and currently serves on the university’s Culture Educational Advisory Group on Faculty and Staff Sexual Misconduct Prevention, the Provost’s Faculty Advisory Committee, the LSA Executive Committee, and the steering committee for Guidepost Solutions.
We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Elizabeth A. Armstrong as chair, Department of Sociology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

May 2023
On the recommendation of the dean of the Stephen M. Ross School of Business, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Norman D. Bishara as the Thomas C. Jones Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023.

Norman Bishara received his B.A. degree in 1996 from Colgate University and his J.D. from Cornell University in 1999. After receiving his J.D. degree, Professor Bishara joined Jaeckle, Fleischmann & Mugel, LLP of Buffalo, NY as an associate attorney where he engaged in commercial litigation, agreement negotiation, and aiding other practice areas, such as corporate governance, environmental and intellectual property. In 2004, he received his M.S. in public policy from the University of Michigan. He joined the University of Michigan Stephen M. Ross School of Business as a visiting professor in 2004 and became an assistant professor of business law in 2007. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2014, and to professor in 2020.

Professor Bishara’s research interests include issues surrounding corporate governance and corruption as constraints on business activity, international legal reform and business ethics in the developing world, including in the Middle East, and covenants not to compete as obstacles to employee mobility and knowledge transfer, and the implications for highly skilled labor mobility, including CEO contracts. He has also held a position as a principal researcher and project consultant with the Lebanese Transparency Association (LTA) in Beirut, an affiliate of Transparency International, where he coauthored the first Lebanese Code of Corporate Governance.

Professor Bishara is a staff editor at the *American Business Law Journal* and a recent past president of the Employment Law Section of the Academy of Legal Studies in Business. He has taught a course on Business Enterprises at the Michigan State University College of Law and worked with
the United Nations Development Programme-RBEC. While in private practice in New York State, he represented a diverse group of corporate and individual clients in corporate, insurance and commercial litigation matters. He is a past chairperson of the Alumni Board of the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy at the University of Michigan and a Social Enterprise Research Fellow with the William Davidson Institute. His professional recognitions include the ALSB Early Career Faculty Award, an Outstanding Proceedings Award, the Mauer Award for Best Submitted Ethics Paper and Distinguished Proceedings Paper Awards, as well as Holmes-Cardozo Award Competition finalist awards, from the Academy of Legal Studies in Business. In 2017, Professor Bishara became the associate dean of undergraduate and early career programs at the Stephen M. Ross School of Business, and since 2018, he serves as the associate dean for undergraduate programs.

Professor Bishara has taught business law and business ethics courses at both the BBA and MBA levels. He is committed to teaching innovation. Professor Bishara introduces creative components to, and continually revises and refines the content of, his courses. His innovations, such as a mock Enron trial and a complex products liability scenario, require students to analyze conflicting and extensive information in order to provide recommendations that consider legal and ethical principles. Through this analysis, students gain a deeper understanding of the legal consequences of management decisions. In short, Professor Bishara is committed to setting very high standards for the students, taking risks with innovative and challenging assignments, and being flexible in contributing to the varied teaching and curricular needs of the school.

In this role, Professor Bishara will be responsible for leading all aspects of our undergraduate programs, including leading the Thomas C. Jones Undergraduate Innovation Initiative as well as the BBA, minor in business administration, campus-wide minor in entrepreneurship, summer undergraduate programs, and pipeline programs for high school students. These responsibilities include strategy development and implementation, admissions, the student experience, curricular and co-curricular educational opportunities, and all program operations. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Norman D. Bishara as the Thomas C. Jones Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Sharon F. Matusik
Edward J. Frey Dean of Business
Stephen M. Ross School of Business

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

April 2023

INTERIM APPROVAL GRANTED
I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Steven L. Ceccio as interim dean, College of Engineering, effective June 1, 2023 until a permanent dean is appointed.

Steven Ceccio earned his B.S. degree from the University of Michigan (1985) and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the California Institute of Technology (1986 and 1990, respectively), all in mechanical engineering. After serving as a post-doctoral fellow at the California Institute of Technology, he joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in the Department of Mechanical Engineering as an assistant professor. He was promoted to associate professor in 1996 and to professor in 2003. Professor Ceccio held appointments as the chair of the Department of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering (2012 to 2016) and as the ABS Professor of Marine and Offshore Design Performance (2015 to 2017). In addition, he previously served as an associate vice president for research (2004 to 2009) and as the director of the Naval Engineering Education Center (2010 to 2015). In 2017, he was appointed as the Vincent T. and Gloria M. Gorguze Professor of Engineering. Professor Ceccio was appointed as the associate dean for research (2017-2020), and currently serves as the associate dean for academic affairs.

Professor Ceccio’s research focuses on the fluid mechanics of multiphase flows and high Reynolds number flows, including flow in propulsors and turbomachinery, cavitating flows, vortical flows, friction drag reduction, the dynamics of liquid-gas, gas-solid, and three-phase disperse flows, and the development of flow diagnostics. He has served as an associate editor of the Journal of Fluids Engineering. He has also acted as a consultant to government and
industry. Professor Ceccio is a fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and of the American Physical Society. He was named the 2014 Freeman Scholar by ASME, and he was awarded the 2021 ASME Fluids Engineering Award.

I am pleased that Professor Ceccio has agreed to serve as interim dean of the College of Engineering. His extensive knowledge of the college and keen administrative experience bode well for the ongoing positive momentum of engineering under his interim leadership. I enthusiastically recommend this appointment, effective June 1, 2023 until a permanent dean is appointed.

Respectfully submitted,

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

April 2023

INTERIM APPROVAL
GRANTED
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Department Chair

NAME: Carlos E. Cesnik

CURRENT TITLES: Clarence L. (Kelly) Johnson Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering and Professor of Aerospace Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Richard A. Auhll Department Chair of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATES: July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Carlos E. Cesnik as the Richard A. Auhll Department Chair of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

Carlos Cesnik is the Clarence L. (Kelly) Johnson Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering. He is the founding director of the Active Aeroelasticity and Structures Research Laboratory and was the director for the Airbus-Michigan Center for Aero-Servo-Elasticity of Very Flexible Aircraft until last year. He received his B.S. (1987) and M.S. in aeronautical engineering (1989) from the Instituto Tecnológico de Aeronáutica (ITA), Brazil, and M.S. (1991) and Ph.D. (1994) in aerospace engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology. Prior to joining the University of Michigan in 2001, Professor Cesnik was the Boeing Associate Professor of Aeronautics and Astronautics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has also worked as a research engineer at Embraer S.A. Professor Cesnik has been an active private pilot since 1981.

Professor Cesnik is an expert in multi-fidelity, multi-physics modeling, design, simulation, and experimentation of aeronautical systems. His research has focused on computational and experimental aeroelasticity of very flexible aircraft in support to sustainable aviation; aero-thermo-elastic modeling, analysis, and simulation of hypersonic vehicles; active vibration and noise reductions in helicopters; and structural health monitoring for damage detection in metallic/composite structures and metamaterials.

Professor Cesnik is a fellow of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA), the Vertical Flight Society, and the Royal Aeronautical Society. He has served as deputy director (2010-2017) and then director (2017-2021) for the Aerospace Design and Structures Group in the AIAA’s Technical Activities Division, as well as an elected member of AIAA’s Council of Directors (2017-2021). He currently chairs AIAA’s Board of Trustees’ Content Advisory Committee. He has over 350 publications as archival journal and conference papers,
and several invited lectures in the areas of aeroelasticity, smart structures, structural mechanics, and structural health monitoring.

Professor Cesnik has demonstrated that he possesses the experience, ability, and commitment to fulfill the important responsibilities of a department chair in the College of Engineering. I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Carlos E. Cesnik as the Richard A. Auhll Department Chair of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

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

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

May 2023
On the recommendation of the Department of History and the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Christian de Pee as the Richard Hudson Research Professor of History, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2024 through May 31, 2024.

The Richard Hudson Research Professorship in History is a rotating professorship. Professor de Pee’s colleagues have recommended that he be awarded this professorship, allowing him a leave from teaching duties.

Christian de Pee received his Master of Arts from Leiden University, the Netherlands in 1991 and earned his doctorate from Columbia University in 1997. Following appointments as an adjunct assistant professor and lecturer, Professor de Pee began his instructional career as an assistant professor at McDaniel College (2004-2006). He joined our faculty as an assistant professor in 2006, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2011, and to professor in 2021.

Professor de Pee is a wide-ranging cultural and intellectual historian of the Middle Period of Chinese history. In addition to his many publications, he has authored two books, The Writing of Weddings in Middle-Period China: Text and Ritual Practice in the Eighth through Fourteenth Centuries (State University of New York Press, 2007) and Urban Life and Intellectual Crisis in Middle-Period China, 800-1100 CE (Amsterdam University Press, 2022). While appointed as the Richard Hudson Research Professor of History, Professor de Pee will be working on his third book, The Chinese Renaissance: How the Song Empire Changed China and the World in the Eleventh Century. The book offers a general history of China during the eleventh century, the so-called Song Renaissance, which was an important period in the history of China and the world. Professor de Pee argues that this period warrants comparison to the Italian Renaissance not only for its general historical significance but also because of many of its developments, including the era’s claim to a new, superior understanding of a classical antiquity. It was the period in which gunpowder weapons, printing with movable type, and the mariner’s compass were invented, as well as porcelain, paper
money, and a wide variety of improvements in agriculture, spinning and weaving, metallurgy, shipbuilding, civil engineering, and medicine. These inventions occurred in the context of active government intervention in society, far-flung commercial networks, and new insights into the self, the individual, and subjective perception. Philosophy, religion, medicine, sculpture, and painting during the eleventh century all assumed forms that would endure for the remaining centuries of imperial rule. Despite the interest and importance of this time, a book does not currently exist in a European language that conveys the excitement of this period for a general audience.

Professor de Pee is a rigorous and generous classroom teacher. In his classes, he brings exceptional expertise on the relationship of language to cultural knowledge and the ways in which texts connect the past and the present through the mediation of genre. He routinely gives significant time and care to working with undergraduate students, has served on several dissertation committees, and has mentored numerous graduate students in multiple disciplines through the Medieval and Early Modern Studies Program dissertation writing seminar.

Professor de Pee has provided strong leadership and service to the university and his field. He has served on the executive committees in the Department of History and the Lieberthal-Rogel Center for Chinese Studies; the History Honors committee, which he has also chaired; the Eisenberg Institute for Historical Studies steering committee; and as the director of the Program in Medieval and Early Modern Studies. He has served as a member of the department’s graduate committee numerous times as well as their Asia Caucus Leader. He also serves as an advisory board member for the Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient and is a fellowship reviewer for the National Humanities Center, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Christian de Pee as the Richard Hudson Research Professor of History, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2024 through May 31, 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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Research Professorship

NAME: Melissa A. Elafros, M.D., Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLE: Assistant Professor of Neurology, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Andrea and Lawrence A. Wolfe Research Professor, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027

On the recommendation of Dawn Kleindorfer, M.D., the Robert W. Brear Professor and chair of the Department of Neurology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Melissa A. Elafros, M.D., Ph.D. as the Andrea and Lawrence A. Wolfe Research Professor, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

The Andrea and Lawrence A. Wolfe Research Professorship was established in October 2022 through a generous gift from the Andrea and Lawrence A. Wolfe Foundation. It is intended to support a faculty member with a primary focus on brain health research in the NeuroNetwork for Emerging Therapies program. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Melissa A. Elafros received her Ph.D. in epidemiology from Michigan State University in 2014, as well as her M.D. in 2016. Afterward, she completed her internship and residency training at John Hopkins Hospital. In July 2020, she started as a neuromuscular fellow here at the University of Michigan in the Department of Neurology, completing it in June, 2021. She was appointed as clinical instructor of neurology in July 2021 and was appointed as an assistant professor of neurology in October, 2022.

Dr. Elafros’ current research focuses on the lack of neuropathy prevalence data for Black, low-income populations in the United States. Since joining the department in June 2020, she established a new collaboration with the Department of Internal Medicine at Hurley Medical Center in Flint, Michigan where she has successfully recruited 200 predominantly Black, low-income participants to examine the prevalence of neuropathy and associated risk factors among this patient population. In addition to her NINDS R25 grant, she has been awarded three extramural grants to support this work, entitled the Flint Neuropathy Study, which has led to multiple additional lines of inquiry regarding patient understanding of neurologic disease as well as barriers to neuropathy, diabetes care, and participation in clinical research. Dr. Elafros recently submitted a supplement award application to the NIDDK to expand this work to McLaren Flint where she has built an additional collaboration with the Department of Internal Medicine. She is
currently submitting a K23 Mentored Patient-Oriented Research Career Development Award to NINDS which focuses on gaps in neuropathy diagnosis, management of risk factors, and management neuropathic pain among predominantly Black, low-income populations. Dr. Elafros’ five-year K23 research proposal focuses on multi-level barriers to neuropathy diagnosis and care and will result in a provider-focused intervention that will be piloted prior to submission of a R01 randomized intervention trial.

Dr. Elafros has also had a robust clinical research career in Zambia since 2009. Most impressively, she has managed to maintain an on-the-ground research team throughout her residency and fellowship training. Her research focus has included disease-associated stigma, patient and provider understanding of common neurodiagnostic tests, and pathways to care for neurologic disease, particularly meningitis. Currently, she is conducting mixed methods research examining barriers to meningitis care in the community and at the clinic level that contribute to unexpectedly high mortality rates. This work has been supported by the NINDS, NIAID, American Medical Association, American Academy of Neurology, and American Neurological Association. Her work has led to 31 peer-reviewed publications, 29 abstracts and several presentations, including at the national and international levels.

Dr. Elafros is established as an up-and-coming early researcher in the field of neuromuscular disorders and her research interests include the study of risk factors for neurological diseases in resource limited areas of this country, and others. Additionally, she is an outstanding educator and has a significant record of service.

Dr. Elafros is a superior choice to be the next Andrea and Lawrence A. Wolfe Research Professor in Neurology. It is appropriate that she be appointed to this professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Melissa A. Elafros, M.D., Ph.D. as the Andrea and Lawrence A. Wolfe Research Professor, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Jessica Fong

CURRENT TITLE: Assistant Professor of Marketing, Stephen M. Ross School of Business

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Sanford R. Robertson Assistant Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business

TERM: One Year, Non-Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024

On the recommendation of the dean of the Stephen M. Ross School of Business, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Jessica Fong as the Sanford R. Robertson Assistant Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, for a one-year non-renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.

The Sanford R. Robertson Assistant Professorship in Business Administration was established in July 1992 and was renamed the Sanford R. Robertson Assistant or Associate Professorship in August 1994. The purpose of the professorship is to encourage the most promising non-tenured teachers/scholars to pursue worthwhile projects and to evolve into truly distinguished senior members of the faculty. Appointments to the professorship are for one year and are not renewable.

Jessica Fong earned her Ph.D. in marketing from Stanford University Graduate School of Business in 2019. She earned her B.S. degree in computer science and business, economics and management in 2014. She joined the University of Michigan in 2020 as an assistant professor of marketing and teaches Strategy 390 (Corporate Strategy), a senior level BBA course.

Professor Fong’s research applies theory-driven models and experimentation to empirically analyze marketing data with the goal of improving firm strategy and better understanding consumer behavior. Substantively, her research focuses on matching markets, platform design, advertising, and behavioral economics.

We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Jessica Fong as the Sanford R. Robertson Assistant Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, for a one-year non-renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.

RECOMMENDED BY:  
Sharon F. Matusik  
Edward J. Frey  
Stephen M. Ross School of Business

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

May 2023
On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering, and with the endorsement of the School of Kinesiology, we are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Deanna Gates as associate professor of robotics, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

Deanna Gates received her B.S. in mechanical engineering in 2002 from the University of Virginia, her M.S. in biomedical engineering in 2004 from Boston University, and her Ph.D. in biomedical engineering in 2009 from the University of Texas at Austin. Following graduation, Professor Gates was an associate with Exponent Failure Analysis Associates in Phoenix, Arizona. From 2010-2012, she was a research biomechanist with the Center for the Intrepid in Fort Sam Houston, Texas. During this time, she was also a site supervisor for the Henry M. Jackson Foundation for Military Medicine at the Brooke Army Medical Center. In 2012, she joined the University of Michigan as an assistant professor. She was promoted to associate professor in 2018. She has also held an appointment in the College of Engineering’s Department of Biomedical Engineering since 2013. She joined the Robotics Institute (now the Department of Robotics) in 2017 as a core member of the faculty.

Professor Gates’ research focuses on improving function, quality of life, and community integration in people with limb loss. Her research group has done several different forms of outreach and they participate in FEMMES (Females Excelling More in Math, Engineering, and, and the Sciences). She has filmed segments for the Big10 network and FABLabTV, which is shown on local news stations across the country and is meant to get middle school aged girls excited about STEM.
With this additional appointment, Professor Gates is ideally suited to assist the Department of Robotics by her active involvement with research and students. We are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Deanna Gates as associate professor of robotics, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

Lori Ploutz-Snyder
Dean and Professor
School of Kinesiology

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Colin A. Gunckel

CURRENT TITLES: Associate Professor of American Culture, with tenure, and Associate Professor of Film, Television, and Media, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Chair, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts are pleased to recommend the appointment of Colin A. Gunckel as chair, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027.

Colin Gunckel earned his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of California, Los Angeles in 2004 and 2009, respectively, before joining the UM faculty as an assistant professor of American culture and screen arts and cultures in 2009. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2016. Professor Gunckel’s work breaks fresh ground in the fields of Latino/a media studies as well as in cinema and urban studies, where he has built a reputation as a film and cultural historian as well as an active promoter of study, exhibition, and archival collection of Chicano/a visual works. He has a strong record as an instructor at both the undergraduate and graduate levels and in a variety of classroom formats, and regularly offers core courses in each of his two units as well as in the Program in Latina/o Studies, where he is an affiliate. He teaches numerous courses that address issues of diversity. Professor Gunckel has served on the executive committees of both of his units and numerous other committees across the college, as well as the director of graduate studies in both FTVM (2015-2019) and American Culture (2019-2022).

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Colin A. Gunckel as chair, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027.

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Visiting Professorship

NAME: Kelly R. Hoffer

CURRENT TITLE: Lecturer, Department of English Language and Literature, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Helen Zell Visiting Professor of Creative Writing, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: August 28, 2023 through May 31, 2026

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of English Language and Literature and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Kelly R. Hoffer as the Helen Zell Visiting Professor of Creative Writing, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through May 31, 2026.

The Helen Herzog Zell Professorship in Fiction was created by a generous gift from the Zell Family Foundation and was established in July 2001. It was renamed as the Nicholas Delbanco Visiting Professorship in March 2013, and as the Helen Zell Visiting Professorship in Creative Writing in May 2021. Appointments to this professorship will be for a three-year term, with the possibility of renewal for another two-year term.

Kelly Hoffer received her Bachelor of Arts in English from Reed College in 2013 and her Master of Fine Arts in poetry from the University of Iowa Writers’ Workshop in 2017. She is currently completing her doctorate in English at Cornell University. Ms. Hoffer will join our faculty as a lecturer in 2023.

Ms. Hoffer is a creative writer and a scholar of poetics. She is the author of Undershore, a full-length poetry collection that is scheduled to be published by Lightscatter Press in spring of 2023, and which won the 2021 Lightscatter Press Prize. Her poems have been published in competitive literary venues and several have been nominated for, and been finalists in, prestigious competitions including the Pushcart, the Georgia Poetry Prize, and the National Poetry Series. By all accounts, Ms. Hoffer’s dissertation in progress on metaphorical gesture and visual form in contemporary American poetry will position her as one of the leading scholars of American poetry of her generation. She has three scholarly articles forthcoming in prestigious peer-reviewed journals such as Cultural Critique, and she has also published more public-facing work, of appeal to a broad audience.
Ms. Hoffer has taught general education literature at the University of Iowa (2015-2017), creative writing at the University of Iowa (2016), creative writing at the Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand (2018), and most recently was the first-year writing seminar instructor at Cornell University (2019-2021). Her students and mentors have testified to her pedagogical skills and engaging workshops. While at Cornell University, she also served as a graduate student mentor and teaching mentor. We anticipate Ms. Hoffer will have a profound influence on the department’s undergraduate students, as well as the graduate students in the Helen Zell Writers’ Program Master of Fine Arts program.

Ms. Hoffer has served as a member of the graduate policy and curriculum committee and as a panelist for the English Graduate Student Organization at Cornell University. She also served as the co-leader and co-founder of the Cornell Contemporary Poetry and Poetics Reading Group, founder and facilitator of the Anti-Racist Pedagogy Reading Group, and volunteered with the Center for Afrofuturist Studies to help organize a residency program in Iowa City for artists of color.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Kelly R. Hoffer as the Helen Zell Visiting Professor of Creative Writing, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through May 31, 2026.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

May 2023
On the recommendation of Justin Dimick, M.D. the Frederick A. Coller Distinguished Professor and chair of the Department of Surgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Andrew M. Ibrahim, M.D., M.Sc. as the Maud T. Lane Research Professor, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

The Maud T. Lane Research Professorship was established in March 2022 through funds generated from the Maud T. Lane Professorship in Surgical Immunology, which was established in December 1955 through a bequest from the estate of Maud T. Lane, a grateful patient of C. Gardner Childs, III, M.D. It is intended to support the research, clinical and outreach efforts of a faculty member in the Department of Surgery whose primary focus is oncology, as well as promote research in the discovery and application of a cure for those addicted to the use of narcotics. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Dr. Ibrahim joined the University of Michigan in 2020 as an assistant professor after earning his M.D. in 2012 from Case Western Reserve University. He began the general surgery residency training program at University Hospitals of Cleveland. In 2017, he transferred to the Michigan Medicine general surgery residency training program, which he completed in June 2020. Dr. Ibrahim has been a member of the University of Michigan community since 2017 and has demonstrated a deep commitment to the mission and ideals of the University and the Health System. He has specifically focused his efforts at the Center for Healthcare Outcomes and Policy, and the Institute for Healthcare Policy and Innovation (IHPI), on community building, mentorship, workforce equity, and training the next generation of health services researchers. He has been appointed as the co-director for the Center for Healthcare Outcomes and Policy, director of the Design and Health Fellowship and Surgery Clerkship programs here at the University of Michigan and the Veterans Affairs Hospital.

Dr. Ibrahim’s clinical practice is a broad-based general surgery at the Ann Arbor VA Healthcare System. His particular interests are in the management of pelvic floor disorders, including rectal prolapse and fecal incontinence. Dr. Ibrahim’s research is funded by two R01 grants on which he
is the primary investigator, focuses on health policy and outcomes, specifically exploring the
interface of costs, quality, and redesigning delivery systems of care. His research is funded by
the National Institutes of Health, the Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation, and the Agency
for Healthcare Research and Quality, among other sources. He is a member of several
professional societies, including the American College of Surgeons, the Association for Academic
Surgery, and the American Institute of Architects. In 2020, he earned the Susan Coran Teaching
Award and the Robert Bartlett Teaching Award. Dr. Ibrahim’s scholarly work has resulted in
55 peer reviewed publications, 14 books and 15 book chapters.

Dr. Ibrahim embodies the qualities and values of a teacher, researcher, and clinician. His
devotion makes him well suited to honor the wishes of Maud T. Lane. It is appropriate that he be
appointed to this professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of
Andrew M. Ibrahim, M.D., M.Sc. as the Maud T. Lane Research Professor, Medical School,
effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

Recommended by: Marschall S. Runge

Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs
Dean, Medical School

Marschall S. Runge, M.D., Ph.D.

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

Jonathan Massey
Dean and professor
A. Alfred Taubman College of
Architecture and Urban Planning

May 2023
On the recommendation of the dean of the Stephen M. Ross School of Business, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Samantha Keppler as the NBD Bancorp Assistant Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, for a one-year non-renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.

In January 2008, the Regents approved changing the title of the Bank One Corporation Assistant or Associate Professorship in Business Administration back to the NBD Bancorp Assistant or Associate Professorship in Business Administration. The change was requested by the donor to reflect the acquisition of Bank One by J.P. Morgan-Chase. The professorship was first established in March 1995 as the NBD Bancorp Assistant or Associate Professorship in Business Administration. It was renamed in July 1997 to the First Chicago NBD Corporation Assistant or Associate Professorship in Business Administration and then renamed again in February 2000 as the Bank One Corporation Assistant or Associate Professorship in Business Administration. Appointments to the professorship are for one year and are not renewable.

Samantha Keppler received her B.A. in mathematics and economics from Clark University in 2008. She received her M.S.Ed. in mathematics education from City University of New York, Lehman College and her M.S. (2012) and PhD (2015) in industrial engineering and management sciences from Northwestern University. Professor Keppler joined the University of Michigan in 2015 as a research fellow and in 2016 was promoted as an assistant professor of technology and operations.

Professor Keppler’s research focuses on the application of operations management theories to the education sector. Her research derives insights about how to improve education operations, or the management of human and material resources in public schools, educational nonprofits, and edtech companies. Her recent interest is in teacher workarounds that compensate for insufficient
resources, such as online teacher crowdfunding platforms, and their relation to the COVID-era teacher turnover crisis in the U.S. public school system.

Her research on education systems has been published in top peer reviewed journals in the operations management field, including Management Science and Manufacturing & Service Operations Management, and has been featured in the top media outlets The Wall Street Journal and the Financial Times. Her ground-breaking research in collaboration with the largest teacher crowdfunding platform DonorsChoose has won a number of research awards, including the 2022 Responsible Research Award from the MSOM Research Society and the 2022 Applied Research Challenge Award from the POMS Research Society.

We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Samantha Keppler as the NBD Bancorp Assistant Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, for a one-year non-renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Sharon F. Matusik
Edward J. Frey Dean of Business
Stephen M. Ross School of Business

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Lakshmi P. Kunju, M.D.

CURRENT TITLE: Clinical Professor, Department of Pathology, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: A. James French Professor of Anatomical Pathology, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027

On the recommendation of Charles A. Parkos, M.D., Ph.D., the Carl V. Weller Professor and chair of the Department of Pathology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Lakshmi P. Kunju, M.D. as the A. James French Professor of Anatomical Pathology, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

The A. James French Professorship in Anatomic Pathology was established in February 2015 through funds generated from the A. James French Professorship in Diagnostic Pathology fund. This professorship will support the director of the Division of Anatomic Pathology within the Department of Pathology. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Dr. Kunju joined University of Michigan in 2003 as a lecturer after earning her M.D. in 1996 from the Seth G.S. Medical College and King Edward VII Memorial Hospital and completing her residency in anatomic and clinical pathology at the same hospital in Bombay, India. She also completed a fellowship in Genitourinary/Surgical Pathology at the University of Michigan. She rose through the ranks to finally become a clinical professor in the Department of Pathology in 2017. Recently, Dr. Kunju has been appointed as the director of the Division of Anatomic Pathology effective March 2023. Dr. Kunju has also been appointed as the director of surgical pathology, director of the Histology Laboratory and director of biospecimen/pathology for the Specialized Program of Research Excellence in Prostate Cancer.

Dr. Kunju’s area of research expertise is in the genitourinary neoplasms as well as breast cancers with emphasis on morphology and molecular markers that predict breast cancer development, which are funded by two major NIH grants. Dr. Kunju’s scholarly work has resulted in 103 peer reviewed publications, five book chapters and 185 abstracts. With her extensive committee service and membership in professional societies, she has earned an international reputation as an expert in her fields.
Dr. Kunju’s noteworthy research, dedicated teaching, scholarly productivity, and diagnostic expertise makes her a role model to her peers and students alike. As the director of the Division of Anatomic Pathology, she is an appropriate candidate for this prestigious professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Lakshmi P. Kunju, M.D. as the A. James French Professor of Anatomical Pathology, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

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

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Research Professorship

NAME: Gifty Kwakye, M.D., M.P.H.

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Arthur W. Fleming, M.D. Research Professor, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027

On the recommendation of Justin Dimick, M.D. the Frederick A. Coller Distinguished Professor and chair of the Department of Surgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Gifty Kwakye, M.D., M.P.H. as the Arthur W. Fleming, M.D. Research Professor, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

The Arthur W. Fleming, M.D. Research Professorship was established in March 2022 through a split of excess funds from the George D. Zuidema Professorship in Surgery. It is intended to support the research, clinical and outreach efforts of a distinguished faculty member in the Department of Surgery whose work focuses on diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Dr. Kwakye joined University of Michigan in 2018 as a clinical assistant professor after earning her M.D. in 2010 from Yale University, completing her general surgery residency at the Brigham and Women’s Hospital/Harvard Medical School in 2017, and colorectal surgery fellowship at the University of Minnesota in 2018. She was promoted to clinical associate professor in 2022. Dr. Kwakye has been an exemplary member of our community since joining the faculty. She has won every teaching award available to her, including the coveted Silver Shovel award to the best teacher among all the Medical School faculty. She has been appointed our medical student clerkship director and is the director of medical student programs in the Office of Health Equity and Inclusion (OHEI).

Dr. Kwakye’s clinical expertise is in the treatment of colon and rectal oncology, inflammatory bowel disease, anorectal disorders and utilizing minimally invasive approaches to colorectal disease. Her particular interests are in the management of pelvic floor disorders, including rectal prolapse and fecal incontinence. Dr. Kwakye’s research seeks to understand the local factors that contribute to pelvic floor disorders and recto-vaginal fistulas in developing countries, as well as improving access to surgical care. Her research is supported by the National Institutes of Health and the University of Michigan African Studies Center STEM SEED Grant, among other sources. Dr. Kwakye is a member of the University of Michigan’s Center for Global Surgery steering
committee, and is also a member of many professional societies, including the American College of Surgeons, the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons, and the Society of Black Academic Surgeons. Dr. Kwakye has been a member of the University of Michigan community since 2018 and has demonstrated a deep commitment to the mission and ideals of the university and the Health System. Dr. Kwakye’s scholarly work has resulted in 33 peer reviewed publications and three book chapters. With her extensive committee service and membership in professional societies, she has earned a national reputation as an expert in treatment of colon and rectal oncology.

Dr. Kwakye embodies the qualities and values of a teacher, researcher and clinician. Her devotion makes her well suited to honor Dr. Fleming’s contributions and advance work in diversity, equity and inclusion within medicine. It is appropriate that she be appointed to this professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Gifty Kwakye, M.D., M.P.H. as the Arthur W. Fleming, M.D. Research Professor, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

Recommended by:  

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

Recommendation endorsed by:  

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

May 2023
On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering, I am pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Henry X. Liu as professor of mechanical engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

Henry Liu received his B.E. in automotive engineering from Tsinghua University in 1993. He received his Ph.D. in civil and environmental engineering from the University of Wisconsin, Madison in 2000. Following graduation, he was a post-doctoral researcher with the University of California, Berkeley. He was appointed as an assistant professor in 2003 at Utah State University. He was then appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities in 2005. He was promoted to associate professor in 2011. Professor Liu joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2014 as a professor. He also joined the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute as a research professor.

Professor Liu founded the Transportation Engineering Program in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, which currently has four tenured and tenure-track faculty members. From 2017 to 2019, he served as a DiDi Fellow and chief scientist on Smart Transportation for DiDi Global, Inc., one of the leading mobility service providers in the world. While he was with DiDi, Professor Liu established and led the Urban Transportation Business Unit. Professor Liu conducts interdisciplinary research at the interface of transportation engineering, automotive engineering, and artificial intelligence. He is recognized for his fundamental research in the area of cyberphysical transportation systems, particularly on the development of smart traffic signal systems with connected vehicles, and testing/evaluation of autonomous vehicles. He has published more than 130 refereed journal articles. Professor Liu and his research team have pioneered the development of the world’s first connected vehicle-based traffic signal optimization system, Optimizing Signals as a Service (OSaaS), that has been implemented in more than 20 cities in China with 2300 signalized intersections. OSaaS has also been implemented in the City of Birmingham, Michigan with 32 signalized intersections. Professor Liu and his team have also developed the patented augmented reality system as well as the
naturalistic and adversarial driving environment simulation for training and testing autonomous vehicles. This work was published in *Nature* and featured as the cover story in its March 23, 2023 issue. This technology has been implemented in the Mcity Test Facility, the American Center for Mobility in Michigan, and the Vehicle Research and Testing Center of the National Highway Safety Administration. Professor Liu and his work have been widely recognized in public media for promoting smart transportation innovations. He has appeared on a number of media outlets including CNBC, *Forbes*, Technode, Tech Xplore, WXYZ. In 2019, he was invited to testify on the national transportation research agenda in front of the U.S. House Subcommittee on Research and Technology. Professor Liu has nurtured a new generation of scholars with some of his Ph.D. students and post-doctoral fellows joining first class universities such as Columbia University, Purdue University, RPI, Tsinghua University, among others. Professor Liu is the managing editor of the *Journal of Intelligent Transportation Systems* and a board member for ITS America.

With this additional appointment, Professor Liu is ideally suited to assist the Department of Mechanical Engineering with research and students. We are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Henry X. Liu as professor of mechanical engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:  

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  

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

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
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ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment for a faculty member

NAME: Krishnan Mahesh

CURRENT TITLES: Richard B. Couch Professor of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, Professor of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, with tenure, and Professor of Aerospace Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Mechanical Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2023

On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering, I am pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Krishnan Mahesh as professor of mechanical engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

Krishnan Mahesh received his B.Tech. in mechanical engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology in Mumbai in 1989. He received his M.S. and Ph.D. in mechanical engineering from Stanford University in 1990 and 1996, respectively. He remained at Stanford as a post-doctoral fellow until 1997 and as a research associate until 2000. Professor Mahesh was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Minnesota in 2000. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2005, and to professor in 2009. Professor Mahesh joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2022.

Professor Mahesh’s research area is in computational fluid dynamics (CFD). This area has seen continuous growth and capability improvement for several decades, and Professor Mahesh is at the forefront of CFD research for predictions of wall-bounded turbulent flows. His research portfolio emphasizes numerical techniques, parametric ranges, and applications that are relevant to the U.S. Navy for submerged hull forms and propulsors. Professor Mahesh is a leading authority on the use of large-eddy simulations (LES) for the prediction of turbulent and multi-phase flows. His credibility and reputation within the U.S. Navy CFD and hydrodynamics research communities are exceptional, and one of his codes (MPCUGLES) is being used at the Naval Surface Warfare Center – Carderock Division (NSWCCD). His work has been recognized with several awards including a Fulbright Scholarship, several best paper awards, and the Taylor Award for Distinguished Research at the University of Minnesota. Professor Mahesh is a fellow of the American Physical Society – Division of Fluid Dynamics.
With this additional appointment, Professor Mahesh is ideally suited to assist the Department of Mechanical Engineering with research and students. We are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Krishnan Mahesh as professor of mechanical engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
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ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment and Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Daniel E. Michele, Ph.D.

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

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Chair, Department of Molecular and Integrative Physiology, John A. Jacquez Collegiate Professor of Physiology, Professor of Molecular and Integrative Physiology, with tenure, and Professor of Internal Medicine, without tenure, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Daniel E. Michele, Ph.D. as chair, Department of Molecular and Integrative Physiology, effective July 1, 2023, and as the John A. Jacquez Collegiate Professor of Physiology, Medical School, effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028.

Daniel Michele obtained his undergraduate degree from Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan in 1995. He completed his Ph.D. at the University of Michigan in 2000 and was a post-doctoral fellow at the University of Iowa from 2000-2004. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2004 as an assistant professor. He rose through the ranks to associate professor, with tenure, in 2011, and to professor in 2017.

Dr. Michele’s research focuses on the molecular mechanisms of human diseases of skeletal and cardiac muscle. By understanding molecular mechanisms of relatively rare genetic disorders, such as human muscular dystrophies, they hope to identify important disease mechanisms and therapeutic targets and use these findings to understand the pathogenesis of more common idiopathic or acquired forms of skeletal muscle and cardiovascular disease. In addition to his research, Dr. Michele has been involved extensively in committee, educational, administrative activities. He serves as the director of the Cardiovascular Center Summer Undergraduate Fellowship Program and was the director of the Ph.D. graduate program for the Department of the Molecular and Integrative Physiology. Dr. Michele has served as the director of the Cardiovascular Center Phenotyping Core since 2011 and was appointed as the interim chair of the Department of Molecular and Integrative Physiology in 2021.
Dr. Michele has made significant contributions to the Medical School through his research, teaching and administrative contributions. He has demonstrated his leadership abilities as an interim chair and is an excellent candidate to serve in this administrative capacity. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Daniel E. Michele, Ph.D. as chair, Department of Molecular and Integrative Physiology, effective July 1, 2023, and as the John A. Jacquez Collegiate Professor of Physiology, Medical School, effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Farina Mir

CURRENT TITLES: Richard Hudson Research Professor of History, and Associate Professor of History, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor in the Honors Program, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2024

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Honors Program and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and with the endorsement of the Department of History, we are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Farina Mir as associate professor in the Honors Program, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 1, 2024.

Farina Mir received her Bachelor of Arts from Barnard College in 1993 and earned her doctorate from Columbia University in 2002. Following an appointment as a Mellon Post-doctoral Fellow at Cornell University, Professor Mir began her instructional career as an assistant professor at the University of Virginia (2002-2003). She joined our faculty as an assistant professor in 2003 and was promoted to an associate professor, with tenure, in 2010.

Professor Mir is a historian of colonial and post-colonial South Asia, with a particular interest in the social, cultural, and religious history of late-colonial north India. Her award-winning first book, The Social Space of Language: Vernacular Culture in British Colonial Punjab (University of California Press, 2010), is a study of the Punjabi language and its literature under colonialism from 1849–1947. She has an essay forthcoming in the American Historical Review and another essay in an edited volume by two leading scholars of Punjab/Sikh studies, and she organized an interdisciplinary workshop at UM in May 2022 with eminent scholars of Islam in South Asia. She plans to publish the essays as a journal special issue or as an edited volume. Professor Mir’s current research is focused on Islam in late-colonial India.

Professor Mir has taught a wide range of courses, including a co-taught introductory course on the discipline of history, “History 101: What is History?” Her South Asian history offerings include undergraduate survey courses on “The History of Modern India and Pakistan,” “The History of Islam in South Asia,” and an undergraduate seminar on the Partition of India. She also regularly teaches a graduate colloquium “Islam in Motion,” on histories of Islam in the Indian Subcontinent. This additional appointment will allow Professor Mir to develop and teach
an interdisciplinary course in the Honors core curriculum, intended to expose students to scholarship across the college. She will also be mentoring students in the Honors Program and will help coordinate activities across the core curriculum, such as symposia, guest speakers, panel discussions, and forums.

Professor Mir has been an active member of the department, university, and profession. She has served as the director of graduate studies (2020-2022), associate director of graduate studies (2019-2020), and has been an elected member of the Department of History’s Executive Committee in addition to several other committees. She also served as the director of the Center for South Asian Studies Program (2012-2015, 2016-2018) at the International Institute. In addition to her role as an editorial board member of *Critical Perspectives in South Asian History*, Professor Mir has also served three-year terms on the Council of the American Historical Association (Research Division) and on the South Asia Council of the Association for Asian Studies.

We are very pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Farina Mir as associate professor in the Honors Program, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective January 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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Research Professorship

NAME: Nicholas H. Osborne, M.D.

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Ramon Berguer, M.D., Ph.D. Research Professor of Vascular Surgery, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027

On the recommendation of Justin Dimick, M.D. the Frederick A. Coller Distinguished Professor and chair of the Department of Surgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Nicholas H. Osborne, M.D. as the Ramon Berguer, M.D., Ph.D. Research Professor of Vascular Surgery, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

The Ramon Berguer, M.D., Ph.D. Research Professorship in Vascular Surgery was established in March 2023 stemming from a gift from an anonymous donor, to recognize the achievements of a vascular surgeon. This professorship would be used to support for the research endeavors of a faculty member within the Department of Surgery. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Dr. Osborne joined University of Michigan and the Ann Arbor VA Medical Center in 2014 as an assistant professor after earning his M.D. in 2005 from the Dartmouth Medical School and completing his general surgery residency and fellowship in vascular surgery at the University of Michigan. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2021. Since 2022, Dr. Osborne has served as the chief of surgery at the Ann Arbor VA Medical Center, and, prior to this appointment, he served as the chief of vascular surgery, and the director of the diagnostic vascular laboratory since 2016. Additionally, Dr. Osborne has a passion for and a commitment to education, as exemplified by his role as the associate program director since 2016 and his 2020 University of Michigan William W. Coon Surgery Faculty Teaching Award.

Dr. Osborne’s area of research expertise is in the thoracic and abdominal aorta using endovascular devices, including TEVAR, EVAR, fenestrated EVAR, iliac branch devices and treatment of endoleaks. This niche practice is part of the focus of the multidisciplinary development of the MI-AORTA Program at the Frankel Cardiovascular Center. Since 2022, he has served as the director of BMC2 Vascular Surgery. BMC2 is a statewide cardiovascular quality collaborative funded in partnership with BlueCross Blue Shield of Michigan. As the director, he is responsible for not only overseeing the functions of the collaborative but leading the development of quality improvement projects across the state. In addition, he is finishing his career development awards
from the American Heart Association and the NIH. Through these grants, he developed skills in both quantitative and qualitative research in the treatment of claudication. Dr. Osborne is pursuing NIH and VA Merit funding to continue to examine the drivers of provider decision-making in vascular disease. Dr. Osborne’s scholarly work has resulted in 87 peer reviewed publications and eight book chapters. With his extensive committee service and membership in professional societies, he has earned a national reputation as an expert in vascular disease and surgery.

Dr. Osborne’s unique skillsets and niche practice in endovascular thoracic and abdominal aortic treatment makes him well suited to uphold the same standard of ethics and embodies the commitment to research and education that Dr. Berguer demonstrated throughout his clinical career. It is appropriate that he be appointed to this professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Nicholas H. Osborne, M.D. as the Ramon Berguer, M.D., Ph.D. Research Professor of Vascular Surgery, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

Recommended by:  

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

Recommendation endorsed by:

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

May 2023
The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts are pleased to recommend the appointment of Benjamin B. Paloff as chair, Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

Benjamin Paloff earned his B.A. from Harvard University in 1999, his M.F.A. from UM and his MFA from Harvard in 2001 and 2002, respectively, and his Ph.D. from Harvard in 2007. He spent three years as a non-tenure-track assistant professor and junior fellow with the Michigan Society of Fellows before joining the UM faculty as an assistant professor in 2010, and to professor in 2022. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2016, and to professor in 2021. Professor Paloff’s research focuses on philosophical dilemmas, particularly in metaphysics and the ethics of representation, in modern Central and Eastern European literature, as well as on translation theory and practice. He is the author of the monograph Lost in the Shadow of the Word (Space, Time, and Freedom in Interwar Eastern Europe (Northwestern University Press, 2016) as well as two collections of poetry. During his time at UM, he has served as the director of graduate studies for both the Department of Comparative Literature (2015-2017) and the Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures (2018-2020), as well as the acting director of the Copernicus Center for Polish Studies in fall 2020. He has received numerous awards and fellowships in support of his work, including the LSA Michigan Humanities Award in 2019 and the Best Book in Literary Studies from AATSEEL in 2018, for his monograph.
We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Benjamin B. Paloff as chair, Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

May 2023
On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of English Language and Literature and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, with the endorsement of the Department of Linguistics and the Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures, we are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Robin M. Queen as professor of English language and literature, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

Robin Queen attended the University of Texas at Austin where she earned her Master of Arts in 1993 and her doctorate in 1996. She subsequently began her instructional career as an assistant professor at Kent State University. She joined our faculty as an assistant professor in 1999 and was promoted through the ranks to professor in 2014.

Professor Queen’s research centers on sociolinguistic questions related to language contact, language variation and social cognition, sociolinguistic perception, and language change. She has published and taught about the ties between language and social identities, particularly queer identities, dialect representation in the fictional audiovisual media, and language and discrimination. She has also worked extensively on language in the mass media. Her book, *Vox Popular: The Surprising Life of Language in the Mass Media* (Wiley, 2015) explores how language variation functions within the fictional mass media.

Professor Queen regularly teaches courses that draw English major students, including “Epic Grammar Fails,” “Language and Discrimination,” “Language in the Mass Media,” “Language and Identities,” and “Language, Gender and Sexuality.” She has supervised a wide range of graduate dissertations focused on topics as varied as language change in African American speech communities in Detroit, Bai language change and ideology, perceptions of Southern American English in the mass media, and an exemplar theoretic account of sociolinguistic perception. The graduate students she has advised have been successful on both the academic
job market, with placements in tenure-track and research scientist positions both within and outside of the United States, and in a range of industry, creative, and higher education positions. Professor Queen’s service record is a demonstration of her commitment to her fields and the university. She has served her departments in a variety of capacities, including as chair of the Department of Communication and Media (since 2022), chair of the Department of Linguistics (2014-2021), director of graduate studies, and director of undergraduate studies. Professor Queen has been elected to the UM Faculty Senate and appointed to the advisory boards of the Center for Research on Learning and Teaching, the Digital Studies Institute, the college’s Instructional Technology committee, the Language Resource Center, the University Libraries, and RISE (an ADVANCE unit focused on civility and respect in academic environments). She was the co-chair of the committee on the status of women in linguistics for the Linguistic Society of America and was co-director of the 2013 Summer Institute in Linguistics, and has been an elected member of the Linguistic Society of America’s executive committee. She currently serves as the senior consulting editor of the Journal of English Linguistics after serving as the co-editor from 2006-2011. She is on the editorial boards of multiple academic journals.

We are very pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Robin M. Queen as professor of English language and literature, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

May 2023
I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Jeffrey S. Roberts as interim chair, Department of Health Behavior and Health Education, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2023 until a permanent department chair is appointed.

Jeffrey S. Roberts earned his Bachelor of Arts in English at Duke University in 1992 and his doctorate in clinical psychology from the University of Michigan in 1999.

Professor Roberts’ research addresses ethical and psychosocial issues involved in disclosing genetic test information. He has studied participants’ motivations and interests in genetic testing, the psychological impact of providing risk disclosure, and health behavior changes prompted by risk assessment. His work in this area has addressed genetic testing in numerous contexts, including Alzheimer’s disease, hereditary cancer syndromes, direct-to-consumer genetic testing, and workplace wellness programs. Professor Roberts also has interests in mental health and aging, including public education about brain health and the development of support programs to promote successful aging. Professor Roberts was recently appointed as the associate director of the National Poll on Healthy Aging (sponsored by IHPI and AARP), as well as the associate editor of Public Health Genomics.

Professor Roberts is a respected colleague in the department, school, and university. He is known to be a thoughtful, inclusive, and responsible leader. He has been called upon to serve on many school and departmental committees, often as the chair. These include curriculum committees, admissions committees, faculty search committees, and the undergraduate degree development committee. His level of productivity, funding history, student support, teaching, and service contributions are notable in their breadth and depth.
I am very pleased to recommend the appointment of Jeffrey S. Roberts as interim chair, Department of Health Behavior and Health Education, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2023.

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

May 2023
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ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Bryan K. Roby

CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of Judaic Studies, with tenure, Associate Professor of Middle East Studies, without tenure, and Associate Professor of History, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Associate Professor of Romance Languages and Literatures, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2023

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, with the endorsement of the Frankel Center for Judaic Studies, Department of Middle East Studies, and Department of History, we are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Bryan K. Roby as associate professor of Romance languages and literatures, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

Bryan Roby received his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst in 2007. He then attended the University of Manchester where he earned his Master of Arts in 2008 and his doctorate in 2013. Following appointments as a post-doctoral research fellow, visiting fellow, and Mellon Fellow, Professor Roby joined our faculty as an assistant professor in 2017, and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2022.

Professor Roby’s research focus is on Middle Eastern and North African Jewish history in the modern era. His first book, *The Mizrahi Era of Rebellion: Israel’s Forgotten Civil Rights Struggle 1948-1966* (Syracuse University Press, 2015), focuses on Israel Jews of Middle Eastern origin, the Mizrahi, and their struggle for social justice. His second book project, *Blackness Refracted: Race and the Making of the Jewish Color Line in the Twentieth Century* (in progress), looks at how African American theories on race and ethnicity provide a means to understanding how the Mizrahi have been associated with Blackness during the twentieth century. This book is expected to make a unique and groundbreaking contribution to both Jewish studies and theories of race. For this project, Professor Roby has been researching French colonial archives in the Middle East, where France ruled Syria and Lebanon under a League of Nations mandate, but also the Maghreb (Morocco, Algeria and Tunisia). This focus on the legacy of French colonialism on Jewish and Muslim populations, coupled with his wholly innovative use of American theories of Blackness to shed light on the North African context, makes Professor Roby ideally suited for an appointment in the Department of Romance Languages and
There is a great opportunity for collaborative work with several colleagues in the department whose scholarly interests intersect with his.

Professor Roby’s signature courses draw from his research interests and offer students ways of looking at Jews in Israel and other parts of the Middle East and Africa in unfamiliar and illuminating ways. He will soon be offering his course JUDAIC 218 “Jewish Life in Colonial North Africa” as a meet-with under the listing FRENCH 444, a course taught in English that counts toward the French major and minor. This appointment will help the department diversify its undergraduate curriculum by offering more courses on the French-speaking world outside of France. Professor Roby will also contribute significantly to the department’s graduate program since numerous students are pursuing research on North Africa, including its Jewish population. Professor Roby will be invaluable in preparing these graduate students for a job market in French and Francophone studies that increasingly seeks to decenter France and whiteness.

Professor Roby’s service record reflects the broad contributions he makes to the college, university, and the profession. He has served on his unit’s executive committee as well as several key ad hoc and search committees. He is an elected member of the UM Police Department Oversight Committee and an undergraduate mentor in the Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program. Professor Roby is a founding member of the Middle East Studies Association (MESA) Queer Studies Interest Group, an editorial board member of the Journal of Jewish Identities, and an active member in the Association for Jewish Studies, where he chairs the Scholars of Color fellowship committee and is a member of the DEI committee.

We are very pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Bryan K. Roby as associate professor of Romance languages and literatures, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY: ................................................................. RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED 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

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Georgiana M. Sanders, M.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Clinical Professor, Department of Internal Medicine, Clinical Professor, Department of Pediatrics, and Research Associate Professor, Mary H. Weiser Food Allergy Center, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Kenneth P. Mathews, M.D. Collegiate Professor of Allergy and Immunology, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027

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 Georgiana M. Sanders, M.D. as the Kenneth P. Mathews, M.D. Collegiate Professor of Allergy and Immunology, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

The Kenneth P. Mathews, M.D. Collegiate Professorship in Allergy and Immunology was established in March 2023 through funds graciously provided through various donors, friends, and colleagues of Dr. Mathews. The holder will be a faculty member in the Department of Internal Medicine within the Division of Allergy and Immunology. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Georgiana Sanders received her M.D. from University of Cincinnati Medical School in 1975. She completed her internship and residency in pediatrics at the Children’s Hospital of Michigan. She would then complete her fellowship in internal medicine allergy and immunology at the University of Michigan in 1984. She officially joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 1985 as a clinical instructor and rose through the ranks to clinical professor of internal medicine and pediatrics in 2019. In 2003, she focused solely on the Allergy Division at the University of Michigan. There, she co-chaired the Asthma Quality Improvement Steering Committee from 2005-2016. Under her leadership, they implemented new measures in asthma management and received an EPA award. Administratively, she was appointed as the director of clinical research at the Mary H. Weiser Food Allergy Center in 2015 and continues to hold that appointment. In 2016, she was appointed as a research associate professor in the Mary H. Weiser Food Allergy Center.

In 2009, Dr. Sanders initiated clinical trials to show that it is safe for people with egg allergies to receive the influenza vaccine. Gradually, her focus shifted more towards food allergies. In 2015, Dr. James Baker asked her to lead Michigan's participation in multicenter clinical trials for food
Dr. Sanders embodies the core principles of Michigan Medicine, which include compassion, creativity, inclusiveness, honesty, and collaboration. As a passionate physician-scientist, her remarkable work in asthma and food allergy research sets her apart. Not only is she an exceptional educator, but she is a stern advocate for diversity, dignity, and inclusion. Dr. Sanders fosters a safe and supportive work environment for everyone in the Michigan Medicine community. With an impressive tenure of thirty-nine years at the University of Michigan, she has consistently been a model citizen for both Michigan Medicine and the university itself. Her research has allowed her to publish 27 peer-reviewed publications, along with 60 abstracts.

Dr. Sanders’ unwavering professionalism makes her an excellent candidate for this professorship. It is appropriate that she be appointed to this professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Georgiana M. Sanders, M.D. as the Kenneth P. Mathews, M.D. Collegiate Professor of Allergy and Immunology, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

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

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

May 2023
The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts are pleased to recommend the appointment of Nathan J. Sanders as chair, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

Nathan Sanders earned his B.A. from the University of Colorado in 1995 and his Ph.D. from Stanford University in 2000. He was awarded a one-year post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Tennessee before beginning his instructional career as an assistant professor at Humboldt State University in 2001. He moved to the University of Tennessee in 2004 as an assistant professor and was promoted to associate professor in 2008. He was appointed as the James R. Cox Professor in 2012. In 2014, he accepted an offer of professor at the University of Copenhagen and served as Head of the Biodiversity Section from 2015-2016. In 2017, he moved to the University of Vermont as a professor, with tenure, and served as the director of their environmental program (2017-2019), director of the Natural Areas (2018-2019), and associate dean for academic affairs and faculty development, Rubenstein School of Environment and Natural Resource (2019-2020). He joined the UM faculty in 2020 as a professor, with tenure.

Professor Sanders has built a dynamic research program investigating how biological communities respond to invasive species and to climate change. His work is unusually integrative, linking community, ecosystem, and macroecological approaches, and his scholarly impact in this field is considerable and continues to increase at a high rate as he successfully takes on some of the most important and/or interesting research questions in terrestrial ecology. He has co-authored more than 165 papers in peer-reviewed journals. Professor Sanders’ service record at the department level and above in a professional capacity is outstanding; he has served in prominent leadership positions at his last three institutions.
We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Nathan J. Sanders as chair, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

May 2023
I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Aruna Sarma to the Collegiate Research Professor, Office of the Vice President for Research, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The professorship is awarded to recognize exceptional scholarly achievement and impact on advancing knowledge in science, engineering, health, education, the arts, the humanities or other academic fields of study. A stipend from the Office of the Vice President for Research accompanies this professorship. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Dr. Sarma is a research professor in the Medical School and the School of Public Health. She received a Ph.D. in epidemiology from the University of Michigan.

Dr. Sarma currently serves as the chief of the Health Services Research Division in the Department of Urology, where her responsibilities include understanding facilitators and barriers to faculty success and implementing improvements across the Division. Additionally, she serves as the principal investigator for two training programs funded by the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases: 1) the U2C/TL1 Kidney, Urology and Hematology Training Network and 2) the K12 Urological Epidemiology Scholar Program.

As the PI for both training programs, her recruitment record for women and underrepresented minorities is undisputed. Over the last five years, Dr. Sarma has recruited four women and two underrepresented minorities for five slots, a notable achievement in surgical training environments that are often characterized by limited diversity. Her successes led to a diversity supplement that was funded in 2022 for two additional underrepresented scholars on her K12, a
reflection of the NIH’s confidence in her ability to continue building diversity in urologic research.

Dr. Sarma’s achievements include service and recognition that extend far beyond UM. She is an inducted member of the American College of Epidemiology, which recognizes significant and sustained contributions to the profession of epidemiology through research or leadership in the practice. She has a prolific record for NIH service as a reviewer and leader, having served in these invited roles since 2000.

Dr. Sarma also serves as the chair of the Epidemiology Committee for the International Consultation on Urologic Diseases, a scientific, international, non-profit association that works with the World Health Organization to promote the improvement in the management of urological diseases worldwide by producing evidence-based recommendations.

Dr. Sarma’s exceptional scholarly achievements, the impact of her research, and her commitment to inspiring new generations of researchers make her an outstanding candidate for this award. I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Aruna Sarma as Collegiate Research Professor, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rebecca Cunningham, M.D.
Vice President for Research
William G. Barsan Collegiate Professor of Emergency Medicine
Professor of Health Behavior and Health Education

May 2023
The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts are pleased to recommend the appointment of Karen E. Smith as chair, Department of Mathematics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

Karen Smith received her A.B. in mathematics from Princeton University (1987) and her Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of Michigan (1993). She received post-doctoral fellowships in mathematics at Purdue University in 1993 and at MIT in 1994, where she was appointed assistant professor of mathematics in 1996. She joined the University of Michigan as an associate professor of mathematics, with tenure, in 1997, and was promoted to professor in 2001. In 2009, she was appointed as the M.S. Keeler II Professor of Mathematics, and was named the William Fulton Distinguished University Professor of Mathematics in 2021. Professor Smith is a distinguished mathematician whose research is in algebraic geometry, a field of study that seeks to understand the properties of the solutions of systems of polynomial equations and leads to some of the deepest areas of all mathematics. Professor Smith also has served as an editor for a number of leading journals including the American Journal of Mathematics, Advances in Mathematics, and the Journal of the American Mathematical Society. Professor Smith’s accolades are numerous, including selection as fellow of the American Mathematical Society, the Association of Women in Mathematics, and the National Academy of Science. Professor Smith is an outstanding teacher and stellar mentor of graduate students and post-doctoral fellows. She has supervised twenty doctoral students, including many from backgrounds that are underrepresented in mathematics. An impassioned advocate for inclusivity, in 2018 she organized a national conference to encourage female-identified undergraduates interested in mathematics to consider pursuing graduate study. In 1999, she established the Department of Mathematics’ annual Marjorie Lee Browne Colloquium, which honors the first African-American woman to receive a Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of Michigan.
We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Karen E. Smith as chair, Department of Mathematics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

**RECOMMENDED BY:**

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

**RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:**

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Adina Turcu, M.D, M.S.

CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of Internal Medicine, with tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Roger Grekin, M.D. Collegiate Professor of Metabolism, Endocrinology and Diabetes, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027

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 Adina Turcu, M.D, M.S. as the Roger Grekin, M.D. Collegiate Professor of Metabolism, Endocrinology and Diabetes, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

The Roger Grekin, M.D. Collegiate Professorship in Metabolism, Endocrinology and Diabetes was established in March 2023 through funds graciously provided through various donors, friends, and colleagues of Dr. Grekin, to recognize the achievements of Dr. Roger Grekin in the Division of Metabolism, Endocrinology and Diabetes. This professorship would be used to support academic endeavors of a faculty member of the Department of Internal Medicine within the Division Metabolism, Endocrinology and Diabetes. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Adina Turcu received her Medical Degree from ‘Carol Davila’ University of Medicine in Bucharest, Romania, in 2004. She completed an Internal Medicine residency at Norwalk Hospital/Yale University in Connecticut in Endocrinology in 2006 through a fellowship at the renowned Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. Dr. Turcu started a post-doctoral fellowship at University of Michigan in 2013, under the mentorship of Drs. Richard Auchus, M.D., Ph.D. and William Rainey, Ph.D. Dr. Turcu was promoted to assistant professor of internal medicine in 2016, and to associate professor, with tenure, in 2021.

Dr. Turcu leads a translational research program that leverages basic adrenal physiology and pathology knowledge into clinical care applications. Dr. Turcu’s research focuses on primary aldosteronism, congenital adrenal hyperplasia, Cushing syndrome, and adrenal androgenesis across ages. Her laboratory uses mass spectrometry to develop novel biomarkers with clinical relevance in adrenal disorders. Dr. Turcu has had continuous individual extramural support for her research, and she is currently supported by the NIH and by the Doris Duke Foundation.
Dr. Turcu serves on the editorial board of the *Journal of Clinical Endocrinology & Metabolism and Hypertension*, and she is the deputy editor of the *Journal of Clinical Endocrinology & Metabolism* Case Reports and associate editor for *Reviews in Endocrinology and Metabolism Disorders*. Dr. Turcu has authored 76 manuscripts and six book chapters.

Dr. Turcu is the recipient of numerous awards, such as the Mayo Clinic Randall G. Sprague Award for outstanding clinical, investigative, and academic achievement in Endocrinology; the Women in Endocrinology Young Investigator Award; the Endocrine Society Early Investigators Award; the ASCI’s 2020 Young Physician-Scientist Awards, and the University of Michigan “Jerome W. Conn” Award for Excellence in Research. In 2019, Dr. Turcu received the “Susan G. Urba, M.D.” Department of Internal Medicine Early Career Endowment Award.

Dr. Turcu’s dedication as a research-scientist makes her an excellent candidate for this professorship dedicated to Metabolism, Endocrinology, and Diabetes. It is appropriate that she be appointed to this professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Adina Turcu, M.D, M.S. as the Roger Grekin, M.D. Collegiate Professor of Metabolism, Endocrinology and Diabetes, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

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

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

May 2023
On the recommendation of Justin Dimick, M.D. the Frederick A. Coller Distinguished Professor and chair of the Department of Surgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Chandu Vemuri, M.D. as the Marion and David Handleman Research Professor of Vascular Surgery, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

The Marion and David Handleman Research Professorship in Vascular Surgery was established in March 2005 through a generous gift and pledge from David and Charlene Handleman. This research professorship is intended to support an outstanding family member in the Section of Vascular Surgery, and to recognize superior achievement in education, clinical care, and research. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Chandu Vemuri joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2016 as a clinical assistant professor of surgery. He was promoted to the rank of clinical associate professor in 2022. Dr. Vemuri completed both his M.D. in 2004 and general surgery training at the University of Michigan. Following residency, Dr. Vemuri completed a fellowship in vascular surgery at Washington University School of Medicine (WUSTL). During his time as faculty at WUSTL, he served as the associate program director, was the co-editor of the Wash U Manual of Surgery, ran a biobank, and had a translational lab with multiple publications on the use of novel antithrombotic nanoparticles.

Dr. Vemuri’s career and leadership track at Michigan Medicine has been focused on the development of offsite practice programs for Vascular Surgery, including the Vascular Surgery clinical venous program and Thoracic Outlet Syndrome program. He also serves in following roles: co-chair of the Value Analysis Team (VAT); ambulatory care clinical chief for Vascular Surgery (ACCC); vice chair of Business Intelligence (BI) for the Department of Surgery (DOS); vice chair for the Contact Center Metric (CCM) for the DOS; and the Vascular Surgery champion for telehealth, the contact center, and the Clinical Supply Integration Project (CSIP). Specifically, in his DOS role as the first vice chair of BI, he created a BI program that provides continuous real-
time assessment of clinical operations to power strategic decision making across the department. Nationally, Dr. Vemuri was appointed as the chair of the American Venous Forum’s Guidelines Committee as a recognition of his contributions in the field. Over the next two years, the committee will release national guidelines on the management of specific venous conditions. He was also an invited speaker by the Society for Vascular Surgery for recognition of his medical innovation.

Dr. Vemuri’s leadership in diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) at the institutional and departmental level have been instrumental in creating a more equitable environment and diverse representation for patients, employees and the community. He has served on the Frankel Cardiovascular Center’s DEI Steering Committee as well as the DOS Culture Crew. In his role at the FCVC, he created and helped host the first Celebration of Humanity Festival in 2018 which was attended by hundreds and helped bring the FCVC community together through food, entertainment, talks, and activities designed to provide opportunities for attendees to learn about each other. Through an institutional grant, he helped launch the We Are CVC campaign which has displays on the elevator doors of the FCVC that are posters of faculty, staff and trainees designed to highlight self-identified unique aspects.

Dr. Vemuri embodies the qualities and values of a leader in clinical operations, business intelligence, DEI, and innovation. He is an exemplary educator, researcher, leader, and surgeon. It is appropriate that he be appointed to this professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Chandu Vemuri, M.D. as the Marion and David Handleman Research Professor of Vascular Surgery, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Johannes E. von Moltke

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Germanic Languages and Literatures, with tenure, and Professor of Film, Television, and Media, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Interim Chair, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts are pleased to recommend the appointment of Johannes E. von Moltke as interim chair, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

Johannes von Moltke received his B.A. in comparative literature, summa cum laude, from Dartmouth College in 1989. He then earned his Ph.D. from Duke University’s Program in Literature in 1998. Professor von Moltke joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor in the Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures and the Program in Film and Video Studies in 1998, and was then promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2004. He has earned several awards and honors including the Michigan Humanities Award in 2014. Professor von Moltke is frequently sought out to lecture at national and international conferences and workshops and is a well-published writer. He served as the chair of the Department of Germanic Languages from 2014-2018—while simultaneously serving as chair of the Department of Screen Arts and Cultures (now Film, Television, and Media) from 2016-2017—and as the acting director of the Weiser Center for Europe and Eurasia, Center for European Studies, and Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies from 2020-21. He has served on numerous committees over the years, most recently the college Executive Committee from 2021-2023.
We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Johannes E. von Moltke as interim chair, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

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

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Jonathan D. Wells

CURRENT TITLES: Acting Director, Residential College, Professor of Afroamerican and African Studies, with tenure, Professor of History, without tenure, and Professor in the Residential College, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Communication and Media, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2023

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Communication and Media and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, with the endorsement of the Residential College and Department of Afroamerican and African Studies, we are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Jonathan D. Wells as professor of communication and media, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

Jonathan Wells earned two Master of Art degrees in American history, the first in 1993 at the University of Florida, and the second in 1995 at the University of Michigan. He received his doctorate from the University of Michigan in 1998. He taught briefly as an associate professor at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte (2007-2009) before working his way through the ranks to professor at Temple University (2009-2014). He joined the faculty at Michigan in 2014 as a professor in the Departments of Afroamerican and African Studies and History, and in the Residential College. He was appointed as the acting director of the Residential College in January 2023.

Professor Wells is a social, cultural, and intellectual historian interested in the literary, cultural, and political evolution of nineteenth-century America. One of the central areas of focus within that interest involves the history of American journalism in the South, including periodicals and print culture more broadly. He is an award-winning author or editor of eleven published books, including Women Writers and Journalists in the Nineteenth-Century South (Cambridge University Press, 2011) and The Origins of the Southern Middle Class (2004), both of which are directly relevant to faculty and graduate student interests within the Department of Communication and Media. He has been invited to present his work to audiences across the U.S. and internationally and currently has two book projects in progress.

Professor Wells is a dedicated and enthusiastic instructor who has offered a variety of courses at the undergraduate and graduate levels. In 2016, he was nominated for the UM’s Golden Apple...
Award, the highest teaching award via student nomination. He will have the opportunity to offer courses that are cross-listed or meet-togethers with the Department of Communication and Media.

Professor Wells currently serves as the acting director of the Residential College, where he previously served as director from 2015-2019. He is the former co-editor of the *Journal of the Early Republic* and is currently on the editorial board of *American Nineteenth Century History*. He will be invited to participate in faculty meetings, committees, and attend events in the Department of Communication and Media.

We are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Jonathan D. Wells as professor of communication and media, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

[Signature]

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

May 2023
The University of Michigan
Regents Communication

Action Request: Additional Appointment for a Faculty Member

Name: Louise Willingale

Current Title: Associate Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, with tenure, College of Engineering

Additional Title: Associate Professor of Nuclear Engineering and Radiological Sciences, without tenure, College of Engineering

Effective Date: August 28, 2023

On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering, I am pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Louise Willingale as associate professor of nuclear engineering and radiological sciences, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

Louise Willingale received her M.S. in physics (2003) and her Ph.D. in plasma physics (2007) from Imperial College London. She joined the University of Michigan in 2008 as a post-doctoral research fellow. She remained here to be appointed as an assistant research scientist in 2011. In 2014, she was appointed as an assistant professor and was promoted to associate professor in 2022.

Professor Willingale is the associate director of the new National Science Foundation ZEUS facility, where she is helping oversee the Zettawatt-Equivalent Ultrashort pulse laser System currently under construction. Her research focuses on the interactions between high-intensity laser pulses and matter, including laser-driven ion acceleration, relativistic laser propagation through underdense and near-critical density plasmas, and proton deflectometry to study electric and magnetic fields generated during the laser-plasma interactions. Her recent research has used facilities including the OMEGA EP facility at the Laboratory for Laser Energetics, and the Jupiter laser facility at the LLNL. In 2022, she co-chaired the Multi-Petawatt Physics Prioritization (MP3) Workshop and she is currently the chair of the NIF (National Ignition Facility) user group executive committee. Professor Willingale received an NSF CAREER Award for research in magnetic reconnection in plasmas. Also, in 2022, she was elected as a fellow of the American Physical Society (APS) for her significant contributions to the experimental understanding of ion acceleration, electron acceleration and magnetic field dynamics resulting from relativistic laser plasma interactions. Professor Willingale is also a Kavli Fellow.
With this additional appointment, Professor Willingale is ideally suited to assist the Department of Nuclear Engineering and Radiological Sciences with research and students. We are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Louise Willingale as associate professor of nuclear engineering and radiological sciences, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Joint Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Qiong Yang, Ph.D.

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Associate Professor of Cell and Developmental Biology, without tenure, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 1, 2023

On the recommendation of Charles L. Brooks III, Ph.D., Cyrus Levinthal Distinguished University Professor of Chemistry and Biophysics and director of Biophysics, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, we are pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Qiong Yang, Ph.D. as associate professor of cell and developmental biology, without tenure, Medical School, effective June 1, 2023.

Dr. Yang’s research focuses on how molecules and cells self-organize, with a major focus on processes driven by biological clocks, including cell cycles and a developmental clock called the segmentation clock. Dr. Yang is currently funded on a NIH R21 investigating the quantitative characterization of a vertebrate segmentation clock response to biomechanical signals during zebrafish somitogenesis and an NSF MCB which looks at the search for the minimal requirements for sustainable and tunable cell cycles in synthetic cells. She has a pending R01 from NIGMS/NIBMB pending continuing resolution, though no score is provided. She has published 20 peer reviewed publications since 2007, in high-impact journals such as PNAS, Frontiers in Cell and Developmental Biology, and Methods in Molecular Biology. She has given four extramural invited talks which were the equivalent of a visiting professor while in rank and 23 since her appointment as an assistant professor. She has been invited both nationally and internationally to give talks at numerous research conferences as well as served as a conference organizer.

Dr. Yang instructs learners both didactically and in research. She is the course instructor for UM Biophysics 450, UM Biophysics/Physics/Chem 417, UM Biophysics 435/535, and UM Biophysics/Physics/MCDB 609. She has given several formal lectures including a BME 500 seminar, a physics mini-colloquium, faculty seminar series Biophysics REU, and the UM Society of Physics Students Speaker Series. She also mentors doctoral and post-doctoral students in the lab. She also participates in the undergraduate research opportunity program where she has mentored many students. In the past several years, several of her lab members have received prestigious awards including the Visiting Scientist Program at the Advanced
Imaging Center at HHMI Janelia Research Campus, the Rackham post-doctoral fellowship, the NSF graduate research fellowship, and the Rackham graduate student research grant.

Dr. Yang has an outstanding service record. Institutionally, she has served on numerous committees including graduate admissions committees (both in Biophysics and DCMB), biophysics candidacy checkpoint exam committees, and seminar and colloquium committees. She is also on the executive committee for the NIH Microfluids training program. She has served on the Ph.D. candidacy preliminary examination committee and thesis committees for more than 40 trainees since 2014. Nationally, she has served ad hoc on seven NIH, NSF, and European science foundation study sections. She is on the editorial board of *PLoS One*, and *Scientific Reports*, and performs ad hoc peer reviews for another 17 journals. She has been on the organizing committee for the Annual q-Bio Conference and also served as session organizer and chair for the annual ASCB|EMBO Meetings.

With this joint appointment, Dr. Yang will engage in research projects, and contribute to enhanced research collaborations in the physical sciences, and her expertise will be beneficial for a T32 application in Molecular Biophysics to the NIH National Institute of General Science Medicine (NIGMS). She will also participate in teaching the new CDB560 Quantitative Cell Biology course. We are pleased, therefore, to recommend the joint appointment of Qiong Yang, Ph.D. as associate professor of cell and developmental biology, without tenure, Medical School, effective June 1, 2023.

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

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

May 2023
I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Yafeng Yin as chair, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, College of Engineering, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

Yafeng Yin received his B.S. degrees in structural engineering, and environmental engineering (1994), and his M.S. degree in civil engineering (1996), all from Tsinghua University. He received his Ph.D. in civil engineering (2002) from the University of Tokyo. Following graduation, he was a post-doctoral researcher and an assistant research engineer between 2002 and 2005 at the University of California, Berkeley. In 2005, Professor Yin was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Florida. He was promoted to associate professor in 2011 and to professor in 2015. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2017 as a professor. He served as an associate chair of the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering’s graduate programs between 2020 and 2022. Since December 2022, he has served as the interim chair for the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

Professor Yin works in the area of transportation systems analysis and modeling and has published more than 140 refereed papers in leading academic journals. His current research focuses on connected and automated mobility systems. He currently serves as area editor of *Transportation Science*, associate editor of *Transportation Research Part B: Methodology*, department editor of *Service Science*, and was the editor-in-chief of *Transportation Research Part C: Emerging Technologies* between 2014 and 2020. Professor Yin has received recognition from different institutions, including the Faculty-Staff Partnership Award, and the Monroe-Brown Foundation Education Excellence Award from the University of Michigan, a Doctoral Mentoring Award from the University of Florida, the Outstanding Leadership Award by the
Chinese Overseas Transportation Association (COTA), and the Stella Dafermos Best Paper Award, the Ryuichi Kitamura Paper Award and Kikuchi-Karlaftis Best Paper Award from the Transportation Research Board of the National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine.

Professor Yin has demonstrated that he possesses the experience, ability, and commitment to fulfill the important responsibilities of a department chair in the College of Engineering. I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Yafeng Yin as chair, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, College of Engineering, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

RECOMMENDED BY:  

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Research Professorship

NAME: Rachel L. Zemans, M.D.

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Internal Medicine, with tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Henry Sewall Research Professor of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATES: May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027

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 Rachel L. Zemans, M.D. as the Henry Sewall Research Professor of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

The Henry Sewall Research Professorship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine was established in December 2015 through funds generated from the Academic Enhancement Fund of the Vice Provost to honor an extraordinary pioneer in the basic sciences. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Rachel Zemans received her M.D. from Johns Hopkins University in 2001. She completed her residency in internal medicine at the University of California San Francisco and fellowship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at the University of Colorado. Following completion of training, she was appointed as an assistant professor at National Jewish Health and the University of Colorado and was ultimately promoted to associate professor. In 2017, she joined the University of Michigan as a professor of internal medicine, with tenure, with an appointment in the Cellular and Molecular Biology Program.

Dr. Zemans’ research focuses on understanding the complexities of lung homeostasis, injury, and regeneration and how these mechanisms go awry in the pathogenesis of diseases such as the acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) and pulmonary fibrosis. By unveiling these mechanisms, she identified a transitional cell state that emerges transiently during normal regeneration but persists with ineffectual cell differentiation, promoting scarring, in pulmonary fibrosis. Dr. Zemans has established fruitful collaborations with investigators from many departments in the Medical School and across the university, as well as nationally and internationally. Dr. Zemans is also deeply committed to the mentorship and development of the next generation of research scientists. As part of her ongoing efforts, she actively mentors junior faculty, post-doctoral fellows, graduate students, and undergraduate students in various stages of their academic endeavors. In addition to her personal guidance, she serves on the research committees of 12
graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, and junior faculty. Furthermore, she is an associate program director of the Pulmonary Division NIH T32 Training Grant, ensuring that her invaluable knowledge and experience are passed on to future innovators in the field of respiratory medicine.

Dr. Zemans is a strong advocate for the core values of Michigan Medicine, which include care, innovation, inclusion, integrity, and teamwork. As an enthusiastic physician-scientist, she has made exceptional contributions to her field through her in-depth research on the mechanisms of regeneration of the alveolar epithelium following lung injury. By consistently incorporating these core values into her research and collaborations, Dr. Zemans has fostered an environment conducive to progressive discoveries and advancements in lung health.

Dr. Zemans’ contributions, leadership and research puts her at the forefront of being an extraordinary pioneer in the basic sciences. It is appropriate that she be appointed to this professorship. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Rachel L. Zemans, M.D. as the Henry Sewall Research Professor of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

Recommended by:  

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

Recommendation endorsed by:  

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

May 2023
On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering, I am pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Yang Zhang as professor of materials science and engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

Yang Zhang received his B.S. (2004) in electrical science and technology from the University of Science and Technology of China. He received his Ph.D. (2010) in nuclear science and engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Following graduation, he was with the Oak Ridge National Laboratory as a Clifford G. Shull Fellow. He was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 2012. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2018. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as a professor, with tenure, in 2022.

Professor Zhang’s research can be summarized into two words: matter and machine. On the matter side, his group studies far-from-equilibrium physics. They synergistically combine and push the boundaries of statistical and stochastic thermodynamic theories, accelerated molecular simulations, understandable AI/ML/DS methods, and neutron scattering experiments, with the goal of significantly extending our understanding of a wide range of long timescale phenomena and rare events. Particular emphasis is given to the physics and chemistry of liquids and complex fluids, especially at interfaces, driven away from equilibrium, or under extreme conditions. On the machine side, leveraging their expertise in materials and modeling, Professor Zhang’s group advances the development of soft robots and human-compatible machines, swarm robots and collective intelligence, and robots in extreme environments, which can lead to immediate societal impact.
With this additional appointment, Professor Zhang is ideally suited to assist the Department of Materials Science and Engineering with research and students. We are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Yang Zhang as professor of materials science and engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:  

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  

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

May 2023
Recommendations for approval of leaves of absence
for regular instructional staff and selected academic administrative staff
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Extension of Leave for a Faculty Member

NAME: Jose F. Alfaro

CURRENT TITLE: Clinical Associate Professor, School for Environment and Sustainability

TYPE OF LEAVE: Research Leave

DATES OF CURRENT LEAVE: July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

TIME EXTENSION REQUESTED: July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024

It is recommended that Jose F. Alfaro be granted an extension of a research leave of absence, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

Professor Alfaro has a unique opportunity to explore commercializing the gasification technology he has been developing through his research. This leave will allow Professor Alfaro to continue the momentum on this project.

We request approval of this extension of a research leave of absence for Professor Jose Alfaro.

RECOMMENDED BY: RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Jonathan T. Overpeck Laurie K. McCauley
Samuel A. Graham Dean Provost and Executive Vice
School for Environment and Sustainability President for Academic Affairs

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Leave of Absence Beyond One Year

NAME: Tony G. Reames

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

TYPE OF LEAVE: Intergovernmental Personnel Assignment

DATES OF LEAVE REQUESTED: April 1, 2023 through January 20, 2025

It is recommended that Tony G. Reames be granted an intergovernmental personnel assignment leave beyond one year, effective April 1, 2023 through January 20, 2025.

Professor Reames was appointed to a non-career senior executive service (SES) position to serve in the Biden-Harris Administration as a senior advisor to the Office of Economic Impact and Diversity at the Department of Energy (DOE).

We request approval of this leave of absence for Professor Tony G. Reames.

RECOMMENDED BY: RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Jonathan T. Overpeck Laurie K. McCauley
Samuel A. Graham Dean Provost and Executive Vice
School for Environment and Sustainability President for Academic Affairs

April 2023

INTERIM APPROVAL GRANTED

Approved by the Regents
May 18, 2023
Establishing and renaming professorships and selected academic and administrative positions.
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a New Academic Administrative Position  
RECOMMENDED TITLE: Vice Provost for Sustainability and Climate Action, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs  
EFFECTIVE DATE: June 1, 2023

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a new academic administrative position as vice provost for sustainability and climate action, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective June 1, 2023.

The vice provost for sustainability and climate action will be responsible for guiding, overseeing, and advancing the university’s leadership in the spheres of teaching and research related to sustainability and climate action.

The vice provost for sustainability and climate action will engage the campus on academic and research activities to enhance cross-campus collaboration in the areas of sustainability and climate action. This role will serve an important convening and coordinating function, to ensure that Michigan remains at the cutting edge of sustainability and climate action education and research.

The vice provost for sustainability and climate action will work collaboratively with university leaders to leverage Michigan’s role as a top public university to work for the benefit of society on issues of ecological responsibility; foster collaborations to enhance and expand sustainability education and curriculum development, including innovative pedagogical strategies and co-curricular opportunities; involve key campus stakeholders in enhancing and expanding research efforts in the areas of environmental stewardship; convene advisory and working groups to expand cross-unit collaboration on issues related to sustainability and climate action; provide leadership in developing and operationalizing the model of campus as a living laboratory; and engage both the internal university community and key external stakeholders and partners.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a new academic administrative position as vice provost for sustainability and climate action, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective June 1, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie K. McCauley  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs  
May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a New Academic Administrative Position

RECOMMENDED TITLE: Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 1, 2023

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a new academic administrative position as vice provost for undergraduate education, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective June 1, 2023.

The vice provost for undergraduate education will be responsible for leading, overseeing, and advancing continual improvements in education for over 32,000 undergraduate students in partnership with the 14 schools and colleges that enroll undergraduates.

The vice provost of undergraduate education will engage the campus on academic initiatives that will enrich the undergraduate student experience, and provide every student with the opportunity to thrive. This role will be in a unique position to build bridges on our campus, illuminate resources designed to support undergraduate students, and provide a vision for what could be a common experience for all undergraduate students.

The vice provost for undergraduate education will work collaboratively with academic leaders to inspire a comprehensive and strategic vision for undergraduate education at UM; promote an educational environment that embraces academic excellence, and supports the university’s commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion; enhance UM’s position as an international leader for undergraduate student success; explore and promote innovative pedagogical strategies, academic support services, and co-curricular opportunities for improved student learning and success; and convene campus working groups to learn from one another and address issues impacting undergraduate students and education. The vice provost for undergraduate education will also oversee accreditation for the university.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a new academic administrative position as vice provost for undergraduate education, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective June 1, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Change in Name of an Existing Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

CURRENT TITLE: James M. Crowfoot Collegiate Professorship in Environmental Justice, School for Environment and Sustainability

RECOMMENDED TITLE: Bunyan Bryant Collegiate Professorship in Environmental Justice, School for Environment and Sustainability

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 1, 2023

We are pleased to recommend the change in name of an existing unendowed collegiate professorship from the James E. Crowfoot Collegiate Professorship in Environmental Justice, to the Bunyan Bryant Collegiate Professorship in Environmental Justice, School for Environment and Sustainability, effective May 1, 2023.

This professorship was established in the Provost Office and was named the James E. Crowfoot Collegiate Professorship in April 2015. In 2020, the School for Environment and Sustainability appointed Ivette Perfecto to this professorship. She would like to honor and recognize the leadership of Bunyan Bryant within the Environmental Justice Community. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Professor Emeritus Bryant has served on many school, department, and university committees. He has demonstrated outstanding service to the School of Natural Resources and Environment and to the University of Michigan. He has been recognized for his dedication multiple times. In late 2006, Professor Bryant was honored for his work in the Environmental Justice field through the Damu Smith Power of One Award. In 2007, the School of Natural Resources and Environment student government honored Professor Bryant for his long-term dedication to students and teaching. In the past, Professor Bryant was chosen as an Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, a Harold Johnson Diversity award recipient, and the School of Natural Resources and Environment’s Teacher of the Year.

Professor Bryant received a Bachelor of Science degree in social science in 1958, a Master’s in social work in 1965, and a Ph.D. in education in 1970. Professor Bryant joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 1972 as an assistant professor in the School of Natural Resources and Environment. He was promoted to associate professor in 1978. In 1982, Professor Bryant was offered a joint appointment with the Center for African-American and African Studies. In 1996, he was promoted to professor in both the School of Natural Resources and Environment and the Center for African-American and African Studies. Later in 2003, Professor Bryant was given an
additional appointment in the Taubman Center for Urban Planning. Prior to joining the UM faculty, Professor Bryant held many positions including assistant project director at the Institute for Social Research at the University of Michigan and program director for the Michigan State Department of Social Welfare, Children’s Division. He also served as a senior clinical social worker for the University of Michigan Fresh Air Camp in the summers of 1966 and 1976.

Professor Bryant has built a national reputation in the field of environmental justice. His commitment to his field has been inspirational to his colleagues and students. Professor Bryant has been instrumental in establishing the school’s Environmental Justice Program that focuses on the differential impact of environmental contaminants on people of color and low-income communities. He served as the founder and director of the Environmental Justice Initiative, which facilitates research, conferences, and policy briefings. Professor Bryant also played a critical role in the development and implementation of the Environmental Justice Certificate Program. For 40 years, Professor Bryant has taught students how to think and how to create change. He served as either doctoral committee chair or member for dozens of students; advised master’s students and master’s projects; and made himself an example to others campus wide by his commitment to truth and justice. This pioneer in the environmental justice movement published his memoir in April 2022, Educator and Activist: My Life and Times in the Quest for Environmental Justice, which celebrates his contributions to SEAS and the environmental justice field, as well as his mentorship of future generations on environmental justice leaders.

It is for the reasons outlined above that we are pleased to recommend the change in title of and existing unendowed collegiate professorship from the James M. Crowfoot Collegiate Professorship in Environmental Justice, to the Bunyan Bryant Collegiate Professorship in Environmental Justice, School for Environment and Sustainability, effective May 1, 2023.

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

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: George G. Cameron Professorship, Department of Middle East Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 1, 2023

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 George G. Cameron Professorship, Department of Middle East Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective May 1, 2023.

George G. Cameron was the founder of the University of Michigan’s Department of Near Eastern Studies—renamed as the Department of Middle East Studies in June 2018—and a renowned scholar of ancient Persia. Following his death in September 1979, the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts received a significant gift to establish the George G. Cameron Professorship in Ancient Near Eastern Civilization and Languages in his honor. A second endowed professorship by the same name was established in December 2020. These professorships are intended to support tenured faculty in the field of ancient near Eastern studies, with distinction in Assyriology and ancient Iranian studies.

The endowment may now be used to support an additional incumbent at any rank and with any field of expertise in the Department of Middle East Studies. Incumbents at the assistant professor rank will hold the title of George G. Cameron Early Career Professor until tenure, and incumbents at the associate professor or professor rank will hold the title of George G. Cameron Professor. Appointments to this professorship will be up to five years and may be renewed.

We are pleased to recommend the establishment of the George G. Cameron Professorship, Department of Middle East Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective May 1, 2023.

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

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

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Alice Freeman Palmer Professorship, Department of History, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 1, 2023

With the approval of the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of a second Alice Freeman Palmer Professorship, Department of History, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective May 1, 2023.

The Alice Freeman Palmer Professorship was established in 1924 with a gift from George Herbert Palmer as a memorial to his wife, one of the University of Michigan’s earliest and most outstanding women graduates. Since then, we have received additional gifts from Elizabeth L. Eisenstein. The endowment may now be used to support an additional incumbent at the associate professor or professor tenured rank in the field of history. The incumbent shall always be a woman (unless contrary to law). Appointments to this professorship will be up to five years and may be renewed.

We are pleased to recommend the establishment of a second Alice Freeman Palmer Professorship, Department of History, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective May 1, 2023.

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 President for Academic Affairs
and Education
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Henry Pollack Professorship, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 1, 2023

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 Henry Pollack Professorship, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective May 1, 2023.

Henry N. Pollack came to the University of Michigan as a graduate student in 1960. He earned his doctorate here in 1963 and joined the Michigan faculty as an assistant professor of geological sciences in 1964. Professor Pollack’s principal research addressed the Earth’s internal heat and how the Earth has cooled over its long history. He served the department as the chair, founder and chief organizer of the Alumni Advisory Board, editor of the newsletter, and the public face of Michigan geological sciences. He was an advisor to the National Science Foundation, testifying before Congress and advising the White House, and he served as a leader in international efforts to coordinate research in global climate change. The Henry Pollack Endowed Professorship in Geological Sciences was established by the Regents in August 2005 as a result of a generous gift from William T. Smith.

The endowment may now be used to support an additional incumbent at the academic rank of associate professor or professor, with tenure, with a preference for expertise in geological sciences. Incumbents at the assistant professor rank will be appointed to the Henry Pollack Early Career Professorship until tenure, and incumbents at the associate professor or professor rank will hold the Henry Pollack Professorship. Appointments to this professorship will be up to five years and may be renewed.

We are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Henry Pollack Professorship, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective May 1, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY: 

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

May 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Change in Name of an Existing Endowed Professorship
CURRENT TITLE: Stewart C. Wang, M.D. Professorship in Burn Surgery, Medical School
RECOMMENDED TITLE: Stewart C. Wang, M.D. Professorship in Trauma and Burn Surgery, Medical School
TERMS: Five Years, Renewable
EFFECTIVE DATE: May 1, 2023

We are pleased recommend a change in name of an existing endowed professorship from the Stewart C. Wang, M.D. Professorship in Burn Surgery, to the Stewart C. Wang, M.D. Professorship in Trauma and Burn Surgery, Medical School, effective December 1, 2022.

This professorship was originally established as the Endowed Professorship in Burn Surgery in May 2010 and was renamed as the Stewart C. Wang, M.D. Professorship in Burn Surgery in December 2022. This requested name change retains its honor of Stewart C. Wang, M.D., the former director of burn surgery at the University of Michigan’s American Burn Association-verified Burn Center, while expanding the scope of the professorship to include trauma surgery. Dr. Wang joined the University of Michigan in 1995 with an appointment as the director of research for the Trauma Burn Center. He was the inaugural holder of the Endowed Professorship in Burn Surgery, and this name change would honor his outstanding career and far-reaching commitments to improving patient care, education, and research in the field of burn surgery at Michigan. Dr. Wang published 228 papers, was the author of four book chapters, and was a member of numerous scientific societies. Under its new name, the professorship will continue to support research and clinical endeavors within the Division of General Surgery and the Burn Center to benefit burn victims and cement Dr. Wang’s legacy at Michigan in perpetuity. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

We are pleased to recommend a change in name of an existing endowed professorship from the Stewart C. Wang, M.D. Professorship in Burn Surgery, to the Stewart C. Wang, M.D. Professorship in Trauma and Burn Surgery, Medical School, effective May 1, 2023.

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

May 2023
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: Appointment to an Endowed Visiting Professorship

NAME: Miranda J. Banks

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

EFFECTIVE DATES: August 28, 2023 through December 31, 2023

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Film, Television, and Media and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Miranda J. Banks as the John H. Mitchell Visiting Professor of Media Entertainment, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

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

Miranda Banks received her Bachelor of Arts from Stanford University in 1994 before attending the University of California, Los Angeles where she earned her Master of Arts in 1998 and her doctorate in 2006. Following a series of lecturer and visiting assistant professor appointments, Professor Banks joined the faculty at Emerson College as an assistant professor in 2008 and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2015. She joined the faculty at Loyola Marymount University as an associate professor, with tenure, in 2019.

Professor Banks’ primary area of research is the American film and television industries, with a specific focus on power dynamics in creative production. She is the author of The Writers: A History of American Screenwriters and Their Guild (Rutgers University Press, 2015). She also co-edited the collections Production Studies (Routledge Press, 2009) and Production Studies, The Sequel! (Routledge, 2015), and is under contract with Routledge Press to co-edit Media Industries in Crisis: What COVID Unmasked.

Professor Banks currently teaches “Art of Cinema,” “Film, Media, and Social Justice,” and the graduate course “History of Television” at Loyola Marymount University. During her time in the Department of Film, Television, and Media, Professor Banks will teach “Hollywood Production Cultures.” This class examines the contemporary culture of film, television, and streaming production in Hollywood through the multidisciplinary lenses of history,
anthropology, cultural studies, and film and media studies. During this class, students will consider the work of film, television, and streaming media in Los Angeles by studying and researching behind-the-scenes culture—from labor unions to professional practices—to analyze how power, privilege, and opportunity work in Hollywood. Through a study of individual jobs, an examination of activist movements, and conversations with industry professionals working in Hollywood, students will learn about the politics and hierarchies inherent in making media.

Professor Banks is currently serving as the acting department chair of the Department of Film, Television, and Media Studies at Loyola Marymount University and recently served as the associate dean of the university’s School of Film and Television (2019-2020). She serves on the editorial advisory board of *Velvet Light Trap*, the editorial board of *Communication, Culture, and Critique*, as series co-editor of Palgrave MacMillan’s *Palgrave Studies in Screenwriting*, and as lead editor of *Quality Drama from Germany: Production Cultures, Narrative Styles and Television’s Transformations*. Professor Banks is also the co-director of EDIT Media (Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion in Teaching Media), a faculty-driven initiative dedicated to researching, developing, and educating about best practices in inclusive teaching in college-level media production, for which she was awarded the 2021 Society for Cinema and Media Studies Innovative Pedagogy Award.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Miranda J. Banks as the John H. Mitchell Visiting Professor of Media Entertainment, Department of Film, Television, and Media, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

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

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

May 2023
I recommend the appointment of Christopher Culley as associate vice president for planning and strategic initiatives, Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, effective May 19, 2023.

Since August 2022, Mr. Culley has served as the assistant vice president for planning and strategic initiatives, the first position of its kind in the Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (EVPCFO). In just six months, he has proven an invaluable resource to the institution, leading priority enterprise planning and operations initiatives, as well as providing high-level counsel to the EVPCFO on a wide variety of critical issues.

Mr. Culley brings more than 25 years of experience working in higher education, having previously served as a senior vice president, general counsel, and senior advisor to the president at The Ohio State University.

There he provided leadership on numerous campus and community development projects and university program initiatives, including Ohio State’s Strategic Planning process. Prior to Ohio State, Mr. Culley was also an Ohio assistant attorney general for education, representing all of Ohio’s public education entities and agencies including its 13 public universities and 23 community colleges

Prior to joining UM, Mr. Culley served as the vice president for enterprise initiatives at Georgetown University, where he played a leading role in the development of Georgetown’s “Capitol Campus.”

Mr. Culley has deep experience coordinating complex initiatives, engaging stakeholders, and leading a wide range of business development efforts across a spectrum of university interests.
He earned his bachelor’s degree at The Ohio State University and earned his J.D. from the University of Dayton School of Law.

It is a pleasure to recommend the appointment of Christopher Culley as associate vice president for planning and strategic initiatives, Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, effective May 19, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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Geoffrey S. Chatas
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

May 2023
Recommendations for approval of joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff
ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment of a Faculty Member

NAME: Shandowyn L. Parker

CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of Health Education, with tenure, College of Health Sciences

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Associate Dean for Program Support, College of Health Sciences

EFFECTIVE DATES: July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025

The dean and leadership team of the College of Health Sciences are pleased to recommend the appointment of Shandowyn L. Parker as associate dean for program support, College of Health Sciences, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025.

Shandowyn L. Parker received her B.S. degree from University of South Alabama (1993), her M.P.H degree from University of Alabama (1995), and her Ph.D. from the University of Alabama (2000). She joined the faculty at the University of Michigan-Flint in 2000 as an assistant professor and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2006.

Since joining the faculty at the University of Michigan-Flint, Professor Parker has served as an associate director for health education and community wellness in the university’s Urban Health and Wellness Center from 2008-2013, associate director of health education academic programs from 2013-2019, associate director of the public health programs from 2017-2018 and interim associate dean of research and professional development September 2022 through December 2022. She was appointed as the director of the Department of Public Health and Health Sciences in 2018.

We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Shandowyn L. Parker as associate dean for program support, College of Health Sciences, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025.

RECOMMENDED BY: Sonja Feist-Price, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Donna K. Fry, Dean
College of Health Sciences

Debasish Dutta, Chancellor
University of Michigan-Flint

May 2023
The provost of the University of Michigan-Flint is pleased to recommend the appointment of Sapna Thwaite as the vice provost for academic affairs, Office of the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

Sapna Thwaite received her B.A. degree from University of Michigan (1996), and her Ph.D. from Michigan State University (2001). She joined the faculty at the University of Michigan-Flint in 2001 as an assistant professor and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2007.

Since joining the faculty at the University of Michigan-Flint, Professor Thwaite has served as the director of NCATE (National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education) for the School of Education and Human Services (SEHS) from 2009-2015, interim dean of SEHS in 2021, and interim department chair of the Social Work Department from 2020-2023. She was appointed as associate dean of education of SEHS in 2015.

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Sapna Thwaite as the vice provost for academic affairs, Office of the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

RECOMMENDED BY: Sonja Feist-Price, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY: Debasish Dutta, Chancellor

University of Michigan-Flint

May 2023
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Recommendations for approval of other personnel transactions
for regular instructional staff and selected
academic and administrative staff
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ACTION REQUEST: Transfer of Faculty Appointments and Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

I am pleased to recommend the transfer of the following faculty appointments and tenure from the College of Arts and Sciences to the College of Innovation and Technology, effective July 1, 2023.

Jie Song, to professor of biochemistry, with tenure
Matthew Fhaner, to associate professor of biochemistry, with tenure
Jessica L. Kelts, to associate professor of biochemistry, with tenure
Nicholas B. Kingsley, to associate professor of biochemistry, with tenure
Jessica L. Tischler, to associate professor of biochemistry, with tenure

Direct responsibility for the oversight of these faculty members will reside with the dean of the College of Innovation and Technology. 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 Innovation and Technology.

RECOMMENDED BY: RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Douglas Knerr, Interim Dean Sonja Feist-Price, Provost and
College of Arts and Sciences Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Christopher Pearson, Dean Debasish Dutta, Chancellor
College of Innovation and Technology University of Michigan-Flint

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Transfer of Faculty Appointments and Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

I am pleased to recommend the transfer of the following faculty appointments and tenure from the College of Arts and Sciences to the College of Innovation and Technology, effective July 1, 2023.

Heather A. Dawson, to professor of biology, with tenure
Randall Duncan, to professor of biology, with tenure
Joseph F. Sucic, to professor of biology, with tenure
Karmen M. Hollis-Etter, to associate professor of biology, with tenure
Jerry D. Sanders, to associate professor of biology, with tenure
Kevin Tang, to associate professor of biology, with tenure
Jill Witt, to associate professor of biology, with tenure

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RECOMMENDED BY: RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Douglas Knerr, Interim Dean Sonja Feist-Price, Provost and College of Arts and Sciences Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Christopher Pearson, Dean Debasish Dutta, Chancellor College of Innovation and Technology University of Michigan-Flint

May 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Transfer of Faculty Appointments and Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023

I am pleased to recommend the transfer of the following faculty appointments and tenure from the College of Arts and Sciences to the College of Innovation and Technology, effective July 1, 2023.

Ricardo Alfaro, to professor of mathematics, with tenure
Lixing Han, to professor of mathematics, with tenure
Mehrdad Simkani, to professor of mathematics, with tenure
Shu-Yi Tu, to professor of mathematics, with tenure
Daniel J. Coffield Jr., to associate professor of mathematics, with tenure
Cameron McLeman, to associate professor of mathematics, with tenure
Laura McLeman, to associate professor of mathematics, with tenure
Howard M. Thompson, to associate professor of mathematics, with tenure

Direct responsibility for the oversight of these faculty members will reside with the dean of the College of Innovation and Technology. 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 Innovation and Technology.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Douglas Knerr, Interim Dean
College of Arts and Sciences

Christopher Pearson, Dean
College of Innovation and Technology

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Sonja Feist-Price, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Debasish Dutta, Chancellor
University of Michigan-Flint

May 2023