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

   *(1) Allada, Ravi, M.D., professor of anesthesiology, with tenure, executive director, Michigan Neuroscience Institute, effective September 1, 2023, and as the Theophile Raphael, M.D. Collegiate Professor of Neurosciences, Michigan Neuroscience Institute, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

   (2) Duneitz, Galit, promotion to associate professor of nutritional sciences, without tenure, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2023 (currently assistant professor of nutritional sciences, also associate professor of neurology, with tenure, Medical School).

   *(3) Forte, Andrea, dean, effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2029, and professor of information, with tenure, School of Information, effective January 1, 2024.

   (4) Seiberlich, Nicole, Ph.D., promotion to professor of radiology, with tenure, professor of internal medicine, without tenure, Medical School, and professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023 (currently associate professor of radiology, with tenure, associate professor of internal medicine, without tenure, Medical School, and associate professor of biomedical engineering, Medical School and College of Engineering).

   *(5) Watkins, Deborah, associate professor of environmental health sciences, with tenure, School of Public Health, effective August 28, 2023.

   *(6) Wolf, Matthias T.F., M.D., Ph.D., associate professor of pediatrics, with tenure, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023.

   (7) Yu, Menggang, professor of biostatistics, with tenure, School of Public Health, effective January 1, 2024.

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


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

(1) Baker, Jr., James R., M.D., Ruth Dow Doan Professor of Biologic Nanotechnology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024 (also professor emeritus of internal medicine, Medical School, and professor emeritus of biomedical engineering, College of Engineering and Medical School).

(2) DesJardins, Stephen L., Marvin W. Peterson Collegiate Professor of Education, Marsal Family School of Education, effective September 1, 2023 through May 31, 2024 (also professor of education, with tenure).

(3) Kaul, Gautam, Robert G. Rodkey Collegiate Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024 (also professor of finance, with tenure).

*(4) Logue, Kyle D., associate dean for faculty and research, Law School, effective September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 (also Douglas A. Kahn Collegiate Professor, and professor of law, with tenure).

*(5) West, Mark D., David A. Breach Dean of Law, Law School, effective September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 (also Nippon Life Professor of Law, and professor of law, with tenure).

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

(1) Anthony, Denise L., Rubin Department Chair of Health Management and Policy, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024 (also professor of health management and policy, with tenure, School of Public Health, professor of sociology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and professor of information, without tenure, School of Information).

(2) Bawden, Tina, George H. and Ilene H. Forsyth Professor, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also assistant professor of Western medieval art).

(3) Brown, Miranda D., Yi-tsi Mei Feuerwerker Collegiate Professor of Chinese Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, and professor of Asian languages and cultures, 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.

(4) Deotare, Parag B., associate professor of physics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 (also associate professor of electrical engineering and computer science, with tenure).

(5) El-Kashlan, Hussam K., M.D., John L. Kemink, M.D. Professor of Neurotology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of otolaryngology-head and neck surgery, with tenure).

(6) Evrard, August E., Arthur W. and Alice R. Burks Collegiate Professor of Physics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, professor of physics, with tenure, and professor of astronomy, without tenure).

(7) Farris, Karen B., senior associate dean, College of Pharmacy, effective September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2026 (also Charles R. Walgreen III Professor of Pharmacy Administration, and professor of social and administrative sciences, with tenure).

(8) Finelli, Cynthia J., David C. Munson, Jr. Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of electrical engineering and computer science, with tenure, College of Engineering, and professor of education, without tenure, Marsal Family School of Education).

(9) Giebink, Noel Christopher, professor of physics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 (also professor of electrical engineering and computer science, with tenure).

(10) Goldman, Rachel S., Maria Goeppert Mayer Collegiate Professor, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of materials science and engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering, and professor of physics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts).

(11) Gulani, Vikas, M.D., Ph.D., professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023 (also Fred Jenner Hodges Professor of Radiology, chair, Department of Radiology, and professor of radiology, with tenure, Medical School).

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

(12) Hastings, Michelle L., Ph.D., professor of medicinal chemistry, without tenure, College of Pharmacy, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also Pfizer Upjohn Research Professor of Pharmacology, and professor of pharmacology, with tenure, Medical School).

(13) Hess, David W., Everett E. Berg Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of business law, with tenure).

(14) Jin, Jionghua, A. Galip Ulsoy Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of industrial and operations engineering, with tenure, and professor of integrative systems and design, without tenure).

(15) Kapuscinski, Roman, professor of integrative systems and design, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023 (also senior associate dean for faculty and research, John Psarouthakis Research Professor of Manufacturing Management, and professor of technology and operations, with tenure, Stephen M. Ross School of Business).

(16) Katz, Martin E., Artur Schnabel Collegiate Professor of Music in Piano, School of Music, Theatre & Dance, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also Gwendolyn Koldofsky Distinguished University Professor of Music, Earl V. Moore Collegiate Professor of Music, and professor of music, with tenure).

(17) Kim, Annette S., M.D., Ph.D., Henry Clay Bryant Professor of Pathology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also clinical professor, Department of Pathology).

(18) Kim, Jun Hee, Ph.D., Merle Lawrence Collegiate Professor of Otolaryngology Research, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of otolaryngology-head and neck surgery, with tenure, and professor of cellular and developmental biology, without tenure).

(19) Kirsch, Stuart A., Roy A. Rappaport Collegiate Professor of Anthropology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of anthropology, with tenure).

(20) Kolmanovsky, Ilya V., Pierre T. Kabamba Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of aerospace engineering, 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.

(21) Koutmou, Kristin S., Dow Corning Assistant Professor of Chemistry, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through August 31, 2026 (also assistant professor of chemistry).

(22) Lastoskie, Christian M., associate professor of integrative systems and design, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023 (also associate professor of civil and environmental engineering, with tenure).

(23) Leider, Stephen G., Dale L. Dykema Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of technology and operations, with tenure).

(24) Li, Jie, Rodney C. Ewing Collegiate Professor of Earth and Planetary Sciences, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of Earth and environmental sciences, with tenure).

(25) Liu, Henry X., Bruce D. Greenshields Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of civil and environmental engineering, with tenure).

(26) Mycek, Mary-Ann, William and Valerie Hall Department Chair of Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering and Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 30, 2028 (also interim chair, Department of Biomedical Engineering, and professor of biomedical engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering and Medical School).

(27) Nakamura, Lisa A., professor in the Digital Studies Institute, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 26, 2024 (also Gwendolyn Calvert Baker Collegiate Professor of American Culture and Screen Arts, director, Digital Studies Institute, professor of American culture, with tenure, professor of film, television, and media, without tenure, professor of English language and literature, without tenure, and professor of women’s and gender studies, without tenure).

(28) Queen, Robin M., Sarah G. Thomason Collegiate Professor of Linguistics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, chair, Department of Communication and Media, professor of linguistics, with tenure, professor of Germanic languages and literatures, without tenure, and professor of English language and literature, 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.

*(29) Rodgers, Phillip E., M.D., chair, Department of Family Medicine, effective September 1, 2023, and George A. Dean, M.D. Chair of Family Medicine, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028 (also clinical professor, Department of Family Medicine, and clinical professor, Department of Internal Medicine).

(30) Rosenzweig, Anthony, M.D., professor of pharmacology, without tenure, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 (also professor of internal medicine, with tenure).

(31) Sytch, Maxim V., Jack D. Sparks-Whirlpool Corporation Research Professor of Business Administration, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025 (also professor of management and organizations, with tenure).

(32) Todd, Peter, M.D., Ph.D., Chester and Anne Alecks Sackett Endowed Professor, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2028 (also Bucky and Patti Harris Collegiate Professor, and professor of neurology, with tenure).

(33) Tsang, Leung, Robert J. Hiller Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028 (also professor of electrical engineering and computer science, with tenure).

(34) Walker, Trent T., Thai Professor of Theravada Buddhism, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through August 31, 2026 (also assistant professor of Asian languages and cultures).

(35) Xu, Zhen, Ph.D., professor of radiology, without tenure, and professor of neurosurgery, without tenure, Medical School, effective October 1, 2023 (also professor of biomedical engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering and Medical School).

(36) Yin, Yafeng, Donald Cleveland Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also Donald Malloure Department Chair of Civil and Environmental Engineering, professor of civil and environmental engineering, with tenure, and professor of industrial and operations engineering, without tenure).

(37) Zubrzycki, Geneviève, William H. Sewell, Jr. Collegiate Professor of Sociology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028 (also professor of sociology, with tenure).

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

   (1) Hero III, Alfred O., extension of personal leave of absence, effective September 26, 2023 through September 25, 2024 (John H. Holland Distinguished University Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, R. Jamison and Betty Williams Professor of Engineering, professor of electrical engineering and computer science, with tenure, College of Engineering, professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering and Medical School, and professor of statistics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts).

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

   (1) Change in name of an existing administrative position to associate vice president for research-diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023 (currently assistant vice president for research-diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives).

   (2) Establishment of an academic administrative position as senior associate dean, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2023.

   (3) Establishment of a research professorship as the Marilyn Fisher Blanch Research Professorship in Child Health Policy, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023.

   (4) Establishment of an early career professorship as the Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Dentistry, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2023.

   (5) Establishment of an early career professorship as the Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2023.

   (6) Establishment of an endowed professorship as the Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2023.

   *(7) Correction of change in name of an existing unendowed collegiate professorship as the Arthur W. and Alice R. Burks Collegiate Professorship in Physics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 1, 2023 (currently the Edward Sapir Collegiate Professorship in Linguistic Anthropology).

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

(8) Establishment of a faculty development professorship as the Chen-Luan Family Faculty Development Professorship in Electrical and Computer Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023.

(9) Establishment of a collegiate research professorship as the Jerome Martin Clubb Collegiate Research Professorship, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023.

(10) Change in name of an existing endowed professorships as the Dow Early Career Professorship in Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023. (currently the Dow Corning Assistant Professorship in Chemical Engineering, and the Dow Corning Assistant Professorship in Materials Science and Engineering).

(11) Establishment of an endowed professorship as the McKay Professorship, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023.

(12) Establishment of a research professorship as the Ronald Nishiyama, M.D., Research Professorship, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023.

(13) Establishment of a research professorship as the Richard L. Prager, M.D. Professorship, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023.

(14) Naming of an existing unendowed collegiate professorship as the Lynda S. Welage Collegiate Professorship in Pharmacy, effective September 1, 2023.

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

(1) Adunbi, Omolade, correction of the tenure status of an additional appointment as professor of anthropology, with tenure, effective August 28, 2023 (currently professor of anthropology, without tenure).

(2) Cunningham, Rebecca, M.D., change in title to vice president for research and innovation, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023 through March 31, 2025 (currently vice president for research, also William G. Barsan Collegiate Professor of Emergency Medicine, professor of emergency medicine, with tenure, Medical School, and Professor of health behavior and health education, without tenure, School of Public Health).
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7. Other personnel transactions for regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff.

(3) Edje, Louito C., M.D., senior associate dean of medical education, Medical School, effective October 2, 2023.

*(4) Kiernan, Kimberly, co-interim associate vice president for facilities and operations, Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, effective August 1, 2023.

*(5) Roelofs, Marina, co-interim associate vice president for facilities and operations, Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, effective August 1, 2023.

(6) Sexton, Kelly, change in title to associate vice president for research-innovation partnerships and economic impact, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023 (currently associate vice president for research-innovation partnerships).

(7) Shaefer, H. Luke, transfer of tenure to professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and professor of social work, without tenure, School of Social Work, effective August 28, 2023 (currently professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and professor of social work, with tenure, School of Social Work, also Hermann and Amalie Kohn Professor of Social Justice and Social Policy).

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

(1) Zakarian, Armen, vice provost for research, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, effective September 1, 2023 through July 1, 2026 (also professor of industrial and manufacturing systems engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering and Computer Science).

DEARBORN CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval

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

(1) Freeman, Lee A., interim chair, Department of Management Studies, College of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 (also associate professor of management information systems, with tenure).

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

   (2) Kocher, Claudia S., interim associate dean, College of Business, effective September 1, 2023 (also associate professor of finance, with tenure).

   (3) Zakarian, Armen, dean of graduate studies, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, effective September 1, 2023 through July 1, 2026 (also vice provost for research, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and professor of industrial and manufacturing systems engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering and Computer Science).

FLINT CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval

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

   (1) Dorfman, Aviva B., promotion to professor of education, with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences, effective September 1, 2023 (currently associate professor of education, with tenure).

   (2) Tischler, Jessica L., promotion to professor of chemistry, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology, effective September 1, 2023 (currently associate professor of chemistry, with tenure).

   (3) Turner, Stephen W., promotion to professor of computer science, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology, effective September 1, 2023 (currently associate professor of computer science, with tenure).

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

   (1) Pearson, Christopher A., dean, College of Innovation and Technology, effective November 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028 (also professor of physics, with tenure).

FLINT CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval

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

   *(1) Fry, Donna K., interim chancellor, University of Michigan-Flint, effective August 18, 2023 (also dean, and professor of physical therapy, with tenure, College of Health Sciences).

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

*(2) Parker, Shandowny L., acting dean, College of Health Sciences, effective August 18, 2023 (also associate professor of health education, with tenure).

*(3) Stein, Jeannette, interim dean, College of Arts and Sciences, effective September 1, 2023 (also associate professor of psychology, with tenure).

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

(1) Cruppenink, Lee, change in title to university registrar, Office of the Registrar, University of Michigan-Flint, effective September 1, 2023 (currently regional school registrar).

(2) Rybarczyk, Greg, transfer of tenure and appointment to associate professor of geography, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology, effective August 28, 2023 (currently associate professor of geography, with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences).

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

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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: Ravi Allada, M.D.

TITLES: Theophile Raphael, M.D. Collegiate Professor of Neurosciences, Executive Director, Michigan Neuroscience Institute, and Professor of Anesthesiology, Medical School

TENURE STATUS: With Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Ravi Allada, M.D., as professor of anesthesiology, with tenure, executive director, Michigan Neuroscience Institute, effective September 1, 2023, and as the Theophile Raphael, M.D. Collegiate Professor of Neurosciences, Michigan Neuroscience Institute, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

Academic Degrees:
Ravi Allada received his B.S. in biomedical sciences in 1989, and his M.D. in 1994, both from the University of Michigan.

Professional Record:
In 2000, Dr. Allada was appointed as an assistant professor in the Department of Neurobiology and Physiology at Northwestern University. In 2004, he received an additional appointment as an assistant professor in the Department of Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, and Cell Biology. In 2006, he was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in the Department of Neurobiology and Physiology, and associate professor, without tenure, in the Department of Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, and Cell Biology. In 2010, he was promoted to professor, with tenure, in the Department of Neurobiology and Physiology, and to professor, without tenure, in the Department of Molecular Biosciences and Pathology. In 2017, he received an additional appointment as a professor, without tenure, in the Department of Neurology. He is the Edward C. Stuntz Distinguished Professor of Neuroscience, chair of the Department of Neurobiology, and associate director of the Center for Sleep and Circadian Biology at Northwestern University.

Summary of Evaluation:
Dr. Allada’s research focus is on the homeostatic regulation of sleep. His primary research program has advanced the understanding of the genetic basis of the circadian clock, how that drives sleep-wake cycles, and pathways linked to neurodegenerative disease. While his main disease model has been the fruit fly his laboratory has also been funded to do work in both mice and humans. He is noted to contribute to discovering a conserved mechanism for circadian control of
sleep-wake cycle and circuit mechanisms that manage levels of sleep. His work has implications for a diverse set of conditions including sleep disturbance and aging, neurodegenerative disease (such as Alzheimer’s, Parkinson’s, Huntington’s), traumatic brain injury autism, and other neuropsychiatric disorders. His research has been well funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Defense (DOD), and US Army, and he is currently the principal investigator on an R35 and R01 from NIH, one R01 equivalent each from DOD and U.S. Army, and core director for a P01 and principal investigator on a foundation grant, and co-investigator on another grant. He has one granted/active patent. Dr. Allada has published 48 peer-reviewed articles in leading journals such as *Science, Nature,* and *Cell.* He has an additional 20 reviews with 10 in rank, including a NEJM review titled “Circadian Mechanisms in Medicine.” Dr. Allada has been highly sought after for speaking engagements and has been invited on 100 occasions nationally and internationally, including Italy, India, China, Japan, and South Korea, in addition to a visiting professorship in India.

Recent and significant publications:


Dr. Allada has a long history of both didactic teaching and research mentoring. His major undergraduate teaching has been done through Molecular Biology (BIOL SCI 390) course. He also developed a graduate-level course which is called the Biology of Sleep (NUIN 486) which is a literature based seminar course examining contemporary research in sleep, and has been invited as a guest lecturer on several occasions. He is also highly active in research lab mentoring. Over his career, he has trained numerous post-doctoral fellows, Ph.D. students, and faculty members, as well as mentored undergraduates. He describes a rigorous approach to engaging students in his lab and ensuring they make progress and achieve learning goals over their time in his lab. He also describes many instances of success of publications in leading journals, grant funding, and advancement in their scientific careers. In addition to these institutional teaching engagements, he has been a course organizer for a three-week Cold Spring Harbor Drosophila Neurobiology Course, as well as organized the Year-in-Review course for the Sleep Research Society. He has served on more than 25 dissertation committees. In addition, Dr. Allada is a board-certified pathologist and does some teaching on molecular diagnostics to the Pathology residents.
External Reviewers:

Reviewer A: “I am greatly impressed with what Ravi has accomplished in his research. He has made a wide variety of major contributions to the field of circadian rhythms, providing new insight into the principles and mechanisms that underlie them. His achievements are broad in scope: his work on circadian rhythms ranges from analysis of individual molecular components to neural networks to behavior. His published work is of the highest quality.”

Reviewer B: “I am impressed by his productivity in terms of high profile papers, and the diversity of the topics they cover. It is also clear that he has been involved in major service activities to his Dept. his University, and to his field. For example, he has been a Dept. chair for a long term, he has authored a large number of scientific review papers, has developed several new courses, and has given many public interviews and presentations.”

Reviewer C: “In addition to his scientific contributions, Dr. Allada’s CV demonstrates a strong commitment to both teaching and service, with an impressive list of courses taught, and an extensive list of service, both at his university and in the broader community. The amount of service is much greater than is typical for a scientist at his career stage, and I have no doubt that he will make significant contributions to the University of Michigan.”

Reviewer D: “He began his faculty career at Northwestern where he has climbed through the ranks to become a full Professor and Chair of the department of Neurobiology. His laboratory uses Drosophila melanogastor to study regulation of sleep-like behavior. He has been very successful in obtaining funding from NIH and other sources. He also has a strong publication record. He performs service at the local and national levels and is asked to speak in meetings nationally and internationally. He has also been successful as a teacher and mentor.”

Reviewer E: “I want to emphasize that Dr. Allada has contributed not just with primary research articles, but also with several substantial and influential review articles. These are widely-cited and have helped promote [sic] good scholarship, spur new interest and attract additional scientists to the fields of chronobiology and sleep. In that context, I regard him [sic] as one of our field’s thought leaders.”

Dr. Allada is a board-certified pathologist who has been engaged in a high level of service at his institution and nationally. Importantly, he has been the department chair of neurobiology at Northwestern since 2012. Institutionally, he has served on numerous committees over time including influential search committees, such as the dean’s selection committee. Much of his packet describes his strengths in leadership and the specific training he has undertaken to be engaged in leadership roles in academic settings. He has severed on the Provost Initiative on Support for Faculty Diversity and Excellence since 2015. Nationally, he has been on the Board of Directors for the Society of Research on Biological Rhythms, as a member at large, and as its secretary, and co-chair of the SLEEP Meeting Program committee. Dr. Allada was also a member of the Sleep Disorders Research Advisory Board for the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Instite. He engages in ad hoc journal reviews and has served as a guest editor of the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.
Summary of Recommendations:
Dr. Allada is an exceptional researcher, mentor, and leader. He has an impressive independent career and will be an important addition to the department and university. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Ravi Allada, M.D. as professor of anesthesiology, with tenure, executive director, Michigan Neuroscience Institute, effective September 1, 2023, and as the Theophile Raphael, M.D. Collegiate Professor of Neurosciences in the Michigan Neuroscience Institute, Medical School, effective September 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

August 2023  
INTERIM APPROVAL  
GRANTED
ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Promotion Approval

NAME: Galit Dunietz

CURRENT TITLES: Associate Professor of Neurology, with tenure, Medical School, and Assistant Professor of Nutritional Sciences, without tenure, School of Public Health

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Associate Professor of Neurology, with tenure, Medical School, and Associate Professor of Nutritional Sciences, without tenure, School of Public Health

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

It is recommended that Galit Dunietz, associate professor of neurology, with tenure, Medical School, and assistant professor of nutritional sciences, School of Public Health, be promoted to associate professor of neurology, with tenure, Medical School, and associate professor of nutritional sciences, without tenure, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
2015 Ph.D. Michigan State University
2011 M.P.H. University of Michigan
1999 M.A. Columbia University
1994 B.A. College of Management

Professional Record:
2023 – present Associate Professor, Department of Neurology, Medical School, University of Michigan
2020 – present Assistant Professor, Department of Nutritional Sciences, School of Public Health, University of Michigan
2018 – 2023 Research Assistant Professor, Department of Neurology, Medical School, University of Michigan

Summary of Evaluation:
Teaching – While her previous role as a research faculty did not require teaching, Professor Dunietz has mentored several students in the School of Public who have research interests in sleep and women’s health. She has also provided guest lectures in many Department of Nutritional Sciences courses.

Research – Professor Dunietz is an epidemiologist with specialized training in advanced statistical and epidemiologic approaches. She has robust skills in management, analyses, and interpretation of large existing datasets. Her research works to improve the understanding of sleep as a determinant of reproductive and cardiometabolic health of women and the impact of sleep disorders on cognitive
health in older women and men. Professor Dunietz has published 43 papers in peer reviewed journals. She has received national and international recognition for her scholarly work including the “Outstanding Early Investigator Award” from the Sleep Research Society in 2022 and a scholarship for the Annual Conference of the Society of Epidemiologic Research in 2021. Her publication on sleep and dementia in older adults was selected as the “Most Impactful Clinical Studies in Sleep Research in 2021” by The Lancet Neurology. Professor Dunietz has a strong record of external funding. She is currently a multiple principal investigator on a National Institutes of Health (NIH)/National Institute of Aging grant that examines cognitive decline in relation to sleep apnea among senior women and men. She is also the principal investigator for an NIH-funded career development award on sleep and cardiometabolic function in women of reproductive age.

Significant and Recent Publications:

Service – Professor Dunietz has been highly active and engaged in diversity, equity, and inclusion activities at both the department, university, and professional level. She is a member of the American Academy of Sleep Medicine, the Sleep Research Society, the Society of Epidemiology Research and the Society for Pediatric and Perinatal Epidemiologic Research. She serves as a journal reviewer for Sleep Medicine, SLEEP, the American Journal of Epidemiology, Human Reproduction, Scientific Reports, and the European Journal of Neurology.

External Reviewers:
Reviewer A: “Dr. Dunietz is [an] enthusiastic teacher, this is evident by her continuous commitment to serve as a mentor to trainees at all levels, including: undergraduate and graduate students, clinical fellows, and postdoctoral fellows…As a teacher, Dr. Dunietz, is invited to speak to trainees and colleagues at her institution, locally, and nationally. On an international level, Dr. Dunietz is often invited to educational and program venues of various societies…”

Reviewer B: “Dr. Dunietz dedicated time to serve as an Editorial Board Member of SLEEP, one the most well-regarded sleep medicine journals. She is a reviewer for a large number of journals…recognized as ‘Reviewer of the Year’ for the highly-respected journal American Journal of Epidemiology… has continually served on committees for these organizations, covering multiple facets, including committees on education, diversity, awards review, and an equity advisory board.”
Reviewer C: “…Dr. Dunietz’s research content and high-quality work about sleep health represents an underrepresented and critical perspective in sleep research. Overall, she has at least 50 publications, at least 15 of which are first authored publications, and her coauthors are prominent researchers in the field…As evidenced by her success in receiving grant funding, her research is highly fundable and a public health priority.”

Reviewer D: “Dr. Dunietz’s research impact is focused in sleep medicine and covers that field’s intersections with many disease types and physiologic states…Dr. Dunietz’s impact has already been felt in this area as evidenced by the awards, commendations…”

Reviewer E: “…Dr. Dunietz is above average in relation to other peers working in sleep medicine research and has shown to be very active academically with journal reviews, journal editorial boards, teaching responsibilities and memberships in several committees both national and internationally. Her efforts to implement diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives at the institutional level and other aspects of her work should be a point of pride and exemplary.”

Summary of Recommendation:
Professor Dunietz is an internationally recognized researcher in the role of sleep in heart and brain health. She has an excellent record in student mentorship and service. The Executive Committee of the School of Public Health and I recommend that Galit Dunietz be promoted to the rank of associate professor of neurology, with tenure, Medical School, and associate professor of nutritional sciences, without tenure, 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

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

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Faculty and Administrative Appointment

NAME: Andrea Forte

TITLES: Dean, and Professor of Information, School of Information

TENURE STATUS: University Year With Tenure

APPOINTMENT PERIOD: University Year

TERM: Deanship: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2024

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Andrea Forte as dean, for a five-year renewable term, effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2029, and professor of information, with tenure, School of Information, effective January 1, 2024. This recommendation follows a national search conducted by a search advisory committee.

Andrea Forte received a BA in foreign language and literature, philosophy from Western Michigan University in 1996. In 1998, she earned her MLIS in library and information science from the School of Information, University of Texas, followed by earning her Ph.D. in human-centered computing in 2009 from the College of Computing, Georgia Institute of Technology. She began her academic career as an assistant professor for the Department of Information Science, College of Computing and Informatics, Drexel University. It was here that she was promoted through the ranks to professor and became Information Science department head in 2021.

Professor Forte has received over $4.5 million in research funding, including the NSF Career award and has published a series of award-winning papers. She was elected chair of the Steering Committee for the SIGCHI Computer-Supported Cooperative Work community in 2020. Professor Forte also serves on the Steering Committee of the Consortium for the Science of Sociotechnical Systems.

Professor Forte’s scholarship focuses on understanding wide-ranging features of online life, including how people collaborate and share information as well as the threats and risks associated with doing so. Her research group develops new tools and theoretical understandings that can help build better, safer, and more beneficial online experiences.

Her main areas of research include: Human-Computer Interaction (HCI); Computer-Supported Cooperative Work (CSCW); Social Computing, Privacy, and Education. She has received many awards and accolades for her work. Professor Forte was named the 2021 Association for
Computing Machinery Distinguished Member for her outstanding scientific contributions to the field of computing. Her recent distinctions include CHI Best Paper Honorable Mention in 2020, as well as CSCW Best Paper Honorable Mentions in 2022, 2019, and 2017, and the OSS/OpenSym 2022 Distinguished Paper Award in 2022.


I am confident that Professor Forte will act as a catalyst to move the school forward with her leadership, research experience, and strong commitment to understanding how information is shared. I enthusiastically recommend her appointment, effective January 1, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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

August 2023
ACTION REQUEST:       Faculty Promotion Approval

NAME:                 Nicole Seiberlich, Ph.D.

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

RECOMMENDED TITLES:   Professor of Radiology, with tenure, Professor of Internal Medicine, without tenure, Medical School, and Professor of Biomedical Engineering, Medical School and College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE:       September 1, 2023

It is recommended that Nicole Seiberlich, Ph.D., associate professor of radiology, with tenure, associate professor of internal medicine, without tenure, Medical School, and associate professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, is recommended for promotion to professor of radiology, with tenure, professor of internal medicine, without tenure, Medical School, and professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
Ph.D.  2008  University of Würzburg
B.S.   2001  Yale University

Professional Record:
2019-present  Associate Professor of Radiology, with tenure, University of Michigan
2019-present  Associate Professor of Biomedical Engineering, without tenure, University of Michigan
2019-present  Associate Professor of Internal Medicine, without tenure, University of Michigan
2016-2019    Elmer Lincoln Lindseth Associate Professor, Case Western Reserve University
2016-2019    Associate Professor of Radiology, Case Western Reserve University
2016-2019    Associate Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Case Western Reserve University
2016-2019    Associate Professor of Cardiology, Case Western Reserve University
2011-2016    Assistant Professor of Biomedical Engineering, Case Western Reserve University
2010-2011    Instructor of Radiology, Case Western Reserve University and University Hospitals of Cleveland
Summary of Evaluation:

Teaching: Dr. Seiberlich runs the full gamut when it comes to teaching. From middle and high school students to post-doctoral physicians, she has been a gifted educator. She considers research mentorship to be her main area of contribution and in rank has mentored undergraduate students, graduate students, clinical fellows, faculty members, medical students, post-doctoral fellows, and visiting scholars. Her trainees have a strong record of publications and individual funding. Her didactic teaching at rank included courses in Medical Imaging, Biomedical Instrumentation/Analysis, and NMR Spectroscopy and Imaging at Case Western Reserve University (CWRU). She has organized a session of the Aspire summer program at Hathaway Brown High School for 6th through 8th-grade girls from under-resourced public schools, to connect them to college students and faculty. She worked in the REACH program at Case Western Reserve University (CWRU), for high-achieving African-American boys in the Cleveland area. She presented to a 7th-grade science class in the Shaker Heights Middle School (in Shaker Heights, OH; in the 2010-2011 school year, where 51% of the students were African American, 37% were European-American, and 12% came from other groups). Dr. Seiberlich is an acclaimed teacher and won both departmental and university-wide awards for extensive teaching and mentorship in her years in Biomedical Engineering at the CWRU, including the highest mentorship award at that institution, the Diekhoff Award for mentorship of graduate students. She has been invited to speak on more than 60 occasions and has completed more than 20 visiting professorships. She received the Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award from the Biomedical Engineering Society of Case Western Reserve University (CWRU) in 2019 and the International Society for Magnetic Resonance (ISMRM) Outstanding Teacher Awards in 2017 (and 2012).

Research: Dr. Seiberlich’s research focuses on developing new data collection and image reconstruction techniques for rapid and quantitative Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI). Areas of specialization include real-time MRI for diagnosis and intervention, quantitative cardiac MRI, and an effort to increase accessibility and lower costs of MRI by developing advanced image reconstruction methods on older MRI machines. She has been consistently and well-funded for this work, with current funding from the National Institutes of Health, and industry grants from Siemens Healthineers, all totaling close to $10,000,000. It is fair to say that she is one of the foremost MR physicists in the world today. She has published a total of 80 papers in top-tier journals such as the International Journal of Cardiology, the Journal of Imaging, and the Journal of Magnetic Resonance Imaging. She has 15 patents granted in rank, three more in process, and nine disclosures, providing strong evidence as an innovator. She has given over 70 extramural nationally and internationally including Germany, England, Switzerland, India, Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Spain, Australia, and Sweden. Her work has been nationally recognized with the Academy for Radiology and Biomedical Imaging Research’s Distinguished Investigator Award.

Recent and Significant Publications:


Service: Dr. Seiberlich has a strong service record. She is very active at the institutional, national, and international levels, and provides extensive service to the community as well. She is an active volunteer mentor of outreach programs for K-12 students to bring ideas of medicine and science to them. Institutionally, she is the co-director of the Michigan Institute for Imaging Technology and Translation, and on the Steering Committee for the Women in Radiology and the Research Retreat Planning Committee. Nationally, she participates on the abstract review committee for the Biomedical Engineering Society and was a member of the Pocket Mentor Working Group for the American Association of Women in Radiology. Internationally, she is very active in the Radiological Society of North America and has served as program chair along with several other committees. Additionally, she is very active in the International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine, where she served on the board of trustees for five years and was the chair of the Annual Meeting Program Committee for 2021, and the educational chair for the 2020 meeting, both highly time-consuming and responsible positions. She has served as an ad hoc reviewer on several federal study section review panels, she an editorial board member for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine, has been the associate editor of IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging, and is an ad hoc reviewer for 12 journals. She has served on more than 25 dissertation committees.

External Reviewers:
Reviewer A: “Dr. Seiberlich is recognized nationally and internationally for her many important scientific contributions...The five publications that were provided for review [sic] are truly outstanding and reflect major productivity...is also well known for her talents as an educator...has a remarkable record of engagement, service, and leadership in her scientific community at the international and national level.”

Reviewer B: “Dr. Seiberlich is a highly regarded researcher and thought leader in image acquisition and processing for MRI...Most of these papers are in prestigious engineering, scientific and clinical journals with high impact and a good number have trainees as first author...Regarding grant funding, Dr. Seiberlich has had consistent NIH, NIBIB, NSF, and industry sponsorships since 2010, serving as PI, Co-I, Contanct PI, MPI.”

Reviewer C: “Dr. Seiberlich is an exceptional researcher and teacher. While her record of accomplishments speaks for itself, she, in many aspects is even better than her record indicates...Since joining Michigan, Dr. Seiberlich has continued to produce very exciting and innovative work even under the pandemic conditions. For example, she and her students were the first to successfully integrate machine learning with MRF.”

Reviewer D: “From all the mid-career researchers in the are of MRI worldwide I consider Nicole to be number #1. There is just no person with such caliber in research productivity and creativity, teaching ability, mentorship, and service like Nicole.”

Reviewer E: “Nicole Seiberlich is a treasure - a brilliant scientist, a talented educator, a valued colleague, and a credit to any institution fortunate enough to attract her...In addition to being a noted
spokesperson for and explicator of MRF, Nicole has advanced its capabilities, extending it to map chemical exchange processes as well as signal relaxation properties...With 80 peer-reviewed original publications, along with various reviews and other contributions, she has amassed a large number of citations for her relatively specialized area of research. Her 26 patents, 3 patent applications, and 9 additional patent disclosures, meanwhile, attest to both the creativity and to the translational potential of her work...”

Summary of Recommendation:
Dr. Seiberlich is an exceptional researcher, educator, and dedicated mentor, with an impeccable funding history, and a deep record of service to the University of Michigan, nationally, and internationally. She is internationally recognized as a world leader in MRI research and the application of MRI for cardiovascular imaging. Therefore, I am pleased to recommend Nicole Seiberlich, Ph.D. for promotion to professor of radiology, with tenure, professor of internal medicine, without tenure, Medical School, and professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, effective September 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

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

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval

NAME: Deborah Watkins

TITLE: Associate Professor of Environmental Health Sciences, School of Public Health

TENURE STATUS: With Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2023

APPOINTMENT PERIOD: University Year

On the recommendation of the chair of the Department of Environmental Health Sciences, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the School of Public Health, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Deborah Watkins as associate professor of environmental health sciences, with tenure, School of Public Health, effective August 28, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
Deborah Watkins earned a B.A. in clinical laboratory science from the University of Maine in 1994. She earned a M.P.H. in 2007 and a Ph.D. in 2011, both in environmental health from Boston University.

Professional Record:
Professor Watkins was appointed as a post-doctoral research fellow in the Department of Epidemiology at Brown University in 2011. She was appointed as a post-doctoral research fellow in the Department of Environmental Health Sciences at the University of Michigan School of Public Health in 2013. In 2016, she was appointed as a research assistant professor in the Department of Environmental Health Sciences at the University of Michigan School of Public Health. She was appointed as a center scientist at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) in 2017. Professor Watkins was promoted to research associate professor in the Department of Environmental Health Sciences at the University of Michigan School of Public Health in 2022.

Summary of Evaluation:
Teaching: As a research track faculty member, Professor Watkins has not had a teaching requirement. Nonetheless, she has served as instructor for courses in professional development for Master of Public Health (MPH) students with strong student evaluations and an undergraduate toxicology course for the Program in the Environment entitled Environmental Chemicals and Disease. She also regularly gives guest lectures in
environmental health sciences graduate and undergraduate courses. She has served on doctoral committees for nine trainees, including two current trainees for which she is doctoral committee chair, and has served on five master’s thesis committees, including one as chair. In addition, she has been primary supervisor and mentor for multiple doctoral student research rotations and MPH internships.

**Research:** Professor Watkins’ research uses environmental epidemiological approaches in the context of several large longitudinal birth cohorts to investigate exposure to environmental contaminants during critical life stages, including pregnancy, early development, puberty, and menopause. In total, she has 76 publications including many in high impact journals such as *Environment International, Environmental Science & Technology,* and *Environmental Research.* Professor Watkins’ has a solid record of external grant support from the National Institutes of Health (NIH). She was previously the principal investigator on an NIEHS R21 and is currently a multiple principal investigator on a NIEHS R01 and co-investigator on five additional NIH grants.

**Service:** Professor Watkins’ service record is very good, particularly given the nature of her research-track position. Locally, she has served as member, co-chair, and chair of the Environmental Health Sciences DEI Committee, as a member of the School of Public Health DEI Committee, and as a Diversity Initiative faculty ally for the Rackham Graduate School. She has also served on the Environmental Health Sciences Admissions Committee. Professor Watkins currently is a member of a School of Public Health “action team” aimed at preventing sexual and gender-based harassment, which is organizing a network of resources and experienced community members within the school. Externally, Professor Watkins is an associate editor for *Frontiers in Epidemiology,* for which she was co-editor for two special editions on topics in prenatal exposures and child development. Professor Watkins has participated in eight NIH grant review study sections and reviewed proposals for six NIEHS Center pilot grant programs. She has also presented four invited talks and 68 other conference presentations.

**Recent and Significant Publications:**


**External Reviewers:**

**Reviewer A:** “What is particularly impressive is their work among vulnerable populations, including natural disasters as well as transgenerational studies. … Overall, having served on promotion committees at [my institution] and before that at the University of Sydney, Australia, I can say with experience that Dr. Watkins’ would qualify for tenureship at an Associate Professor.”

**Reviewer B:** “Dr. Watkins’ work in environmental exposures and maternal and child health has placed her among the top tier researchers in the U.S. and internationally for her research field. … Dr. Watkins’ achievements thus far will meet the requirements to be appointed to Associate Professor with Tenure [at my institution].”

**Reviewer C:** “Dr. Watkins has demonstrated exceptional abilities as an independent researcher, establishing a robust research program focused on investigating the impact of environmental contaminants on individuals during critical life stages, from pregnancy to menopause. … Her ability to secure funding showcases her research's significance and its potential for impact. … Dr. Watkins’ achievements are numerous and strong, and absolutely on par with standards for being promoted to Associate Professor with tenure here at [my institution].”

**Reviewer D:** “Over the past several years, Dr. Watkins has demonstrated a very sharp upward trajectory in her scholarship as evidenced by her publication record, national and international recognition, leadership positions, and involvement in mentoring and training. … I believe Dr. Watkins research and teaching/mentoring accomplishments merit her promotion to the rank of Associate Professor with tenure.”

**Reviewer E:** “Dr. Watkins’ scholarship, teaching and service show a strong and sustained career trajectory, successfully transitioning from postdoctoral research fellow to independent Research Associate Professor. … I unequivocally support her application for promotion to Associate Professor with tenure. I suspect that if she were under consideration for a similar promotion here at [my institution], she would receive a positive review.”
Reviewer F: “Dr. Watkins has far exceeded the expectations for promotion to Associate Professor with tenure at my university. The University of Michigan is fortunate to have such an exceptional scientist in their ranks, and Dr. Watkins is most deserving of her promotion to Associate Professor with tenure. … Frankly, her scientific contributions more closely align with the expectations for Professor at my institution.”

Reviewer G: “Dr. Watkins is clearly an exceptional scientist, with outstanding contributions to the field of environmental health sciences and more specifically to the field of environmental epidemiology and the study of environmental endocrine disruptors. … Having served (and chaired) my School’s personnel committee, I can say, without a doubt, that Dr. Watkins’ work would easily meet the requirements for a candidate to be promoted to Associate Professor (with Tenure) at my institution.”

Summary of Recommendations:
Professor Watkins is a recognized expert on the impact of exposure to environmental contaminants during critical life stages. She already provides critical mentoring to students and has a very good record of service. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Deborah Watkins as associate professor of environmental health sciences, with tenure, School of Public Health, effective August 28, 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

August 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval

NAME: Matthias T.F. Wolf, M.D., Ph.D.

TITLE: Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Medical School

TENURE STATUS: With Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Matthias T.F. Wolf, M.D., Ph.D. as associate professor of pediatrics, with tenure, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
Matthias Wolf received his M.D. in 1998 and his Ph.D. in 2000, both from Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz, Germany.

Professional Record:
In 2006, Dr. Wolf was appointed as a lecturer in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Cologne, Germany, and as an assistant professor in the Department of Pediatric Nephrology at the University Children’s Hospital, Cologne, Germany. In 2010, he was appointed as an instructor of pediatrics in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX, and in 2012, appointed to assistant professor. In 2019, he was promoted to associate professor, without tenure. Since 2017, Dr. Wolf has served as the co-director of the Physiology Core at the O’Brien Kidney Research Core Center and as associate chief of research affairs in Pediatric Nephrology since 2022.

Summary of Evaluation:
Dr. Wolf’s research focuses on defining the mechanisms which can lead to abnormal kidney function that is inherited. Specifically, he has performed significant work in understanding the interaction between Uromodulin and TRPV5 and TRPM6 channels that control calcium and magnesium resorption in the kidney. He is currently the principal investigator on an R01 from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive Kidney Diseases (NIDDK), a Department of Defense award, and an NIH Clinical and Translational Science Awards (CTSA) pilot program. He further serves as the co-director/co-investigator on a P30 NIH grant. He has demonstrated continuous extramural funding since 2006 with funding from the NIH, foundations, and the institution. He has 46 peer-reviewed articles in leading journals such as Pediatric Nephrology, Journal of Biological Chemistry, and Nature Genetics. He has one granted patent. His work has resulted in extramural invitations to give 20 national and six international presentations. He is also a co-inventor on a patent related to the detection of NPHP4. He has an additional eight reviews, 10 book chapters, and a practice guideline. Dr. Wolf has been invited on 27 occasions to give extramural presentations nationally and internationally, including in Sweden, Brazil, Germany, and Canada.
Recent and Significant publications:


Dr. Wolf performs teaching for learners of all levels in the clinical setting. He provides supervision of nephrology fellows, pediatric residents, medical students, and undergraduates. He performs ad hoc teaching seminars to learners at the institutional level. His teaching evaluations are very good to excellent, with high quantitative scores. He participates in the physician scientist training program and performs scholarly proposal review at his institution. Overall, he has mentored a clinical fellow, residents/house officers, medical students, undergraduate students, graduate students, and a high school student.

External Reviewers:

Reviewer A: “Matthias has been a leader in defining the role of Uromodulin in the distal nephron… Dr. Wolf was a pioneer in defining the interaction of Uromodulin with TRPV5 and TRPM6 channels…Dr. Wolf is considered an authoritative expert in this domain and is regarded as such nationally and internationally.”

Reviewer B: “Dr. Wolf thus has proven over many years a strong commitment to basic science research and competed successfully for funding through the NIH and the DOD. His clinical expertise, his strong collaborations, and his overall productivity make him an outstanding candidate for any academic medical institution.”

Reviewer C: “Overall, I would rate Dr. Wolf’s scholarly work of outstanding quality… Dr. Wolf should be commended for his success as a basic researcher. He has a strong standing in the field, as demonstrated by several invitations to present at Kidney Week, the annual meeting of the American Society of Nephrology (ASN) that typically has over 13,000 attendees.”

Reviewer D: “My impressions are that Dr. Wolf conducts top-level research made possible by extraordinary training in Germany, with Hildebrandt at U. Michigan, and with M. Baum and C.L.
Huang at UTSW…Dr. Wolf lists significant and more- than- sufficient commitment to service with many study sections (international as well), ad hoc manuscript reviews, section editorship for Pediatric Nephrology; the only (minor ) point is that he could become engaged more with professional organizations…His ongoing work, coupled [with his] ability to raise grant dollars predicts a future filled with novel and impactful discoveries.”

Reviewer E: “I find that Matt asks significant and fascinating scientific questions with public health relevance, and thus it is not surprising to me that he has recently been quite successful at securing major research grants from both the NIH and DoD, as well as other funding agencies…He has made important advances in these areas of renal physiology and pathophysiology…Despite his clinical responsibilities, however, he has managed to assemble a productive research program that is able to move his field forward and maintain constant R01-level funding.”

Dr. Wolf is an active clinician who cares for people with renal disease. Nationally, he is a member of numerous 13 professional societies and has served ad hoc on four international study sections. He is a section editor for Pediatric Nephrology and performs peer review services for over 30 journals. Institutionally, he serves as the co-director of the Physiology Core, as the associate chief of research affairs, and as the clinical research ambassador for pediatric nephrology. He has also served on internal study sections at the institution and departmental levels. His care has been recognized through the receipt of several Best Doctor awards. He has served on two dissertation committees and six scholarly oversight committees.

Summary of Recommendations:
Dr. Wolf is a superbly trained clinician and physician scientist. He is an exceptional researcher, mentor, and leader whose expertise as a pediatric nephrologist will be an important addition to the department and university. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Matthias T.F. Wolf, M.D., Ph.D. as associate professor of pediatrics, with tenure, Medical School, effective September 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
Dean, Medical School President for Academic Affairs

August 2023

INTERIM APPROVAL
GRANTED
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval
NAME: Menggang Yu
TITLE: Professor of Biostatistics, School of Public Health
TENURE STATUS: With Tenure
EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2024
APPOINTMENT PERIOD: University Year

On the recommendation of the chair of the Department of Biostatistics, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the School of Public Health, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Menggang Yu as professor of biostatistics, with tenure, School of Public Health, effective January 1, 2024.

Academic Degrees:
Menggang Yu earned his B.S. in computational mathematics from Fudan University in 1996, followed by his M.S. in applied statistics from Bowling Green University in 1999. He earned his Ph.D. in biostatistics in 2004 from the University of Michigan.

Professional Record:
Professor Yu was appointed as an assistant professor in the Department of Biostatistics at Indiana University, in 2006, and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2010. In 2012, he was appointed as an associate professor, with tenure, in the Department of Biostatistics and Medical Informatics at the University of Wisconsin. In 2013, he was appointed as the associate director of the University of Wisconsin Center for Health Disparities Research. He was appointed as the directing statistician at the University of Wisconsin Health Innovation Program in 2014. In 2015, Professor Yu was appointed as amlead statistician at the Big Ten Cancer Research Consortium. He was promoted to professor, with tenure, in the Department of Biostatistics and Medical Informatics at the University of Wisconsin in 2016.

Summary of Evaluation:
Teaching: Professor Yu has taught classes on a variety of topics in statistics, including introduction to statistics, survival analysis, causal inference, and clinical trials. He has taught at the masters and doctoral level and has taught non-statisticians. His teaching evaluations have typically been in the mid to upper 4s (out of 5). Professor Yu has
mentored many doctoral students as well as masters students, staff statisticians, and junior faculty. He lists four current doctoral students and 20 previous doctoral students who have graduated and for whom he was the advisor or co-advisor. Many of his students have won awards for their research. He has also served on nearly 30 other doctoral committees. He co-hosts a weekly meeting with students and junior colleagues to discuss practical statistical problems, help with research and writing grant. This mentoring has been highly productive in terms of grants and publications.

Research: Professor Yu has made significant contributions to biostatistics in many areas, including meta-analysis, precision decision making, causal inference, semiparametric time to event analysis, and study design. He has a great breadth of topics and depth of insights. One important theme in his research is how he addresses practical problems. Many of his papers are about cancer specifically, but his methods also can be applied to other topics. Professor Yu often makes user-friendly software (in R) freely available to other researchers. This translation helps disseminate his ideas. Many of his published papers refer to new R packages. Professor Yu has published a total of 179 peer-reviewed papers, 86 of which have come since being promoted to professor at the University of Wisconsin in 2016. He currently has funding from eight external grants, six from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and two from the Department of Defense. Professor Yu is a co-investigator on most of these but is the principal investigator (PI) for specific biostatistics parts of two large NIH grants.

Service: Professor Yu serves on numerous committees at the University of Wisconsin. Most of these are directly related to research. He is the Biostatistics Shared Resource (BSR) director for the University of Wisconsin Carbone Cancer Center, the Statistics and Bioinformatics core director for the Wisconsin Specialized Programs of Research Excellence (SPORE) in Head and Neck Cancer, the associate director for the University of Wisconsin Center for Health Disparities Research, and the statistics leader for the Health Innovation Program. He is integrally involved in a wide variety of research projects, both directly and indirectly through mentoring. Beyond the University of Wisconsin, Professor Yu has been an associate editor at three leading biostatistics journals: Biometrics, Biometrical Journal, and the Journal of Nonparametric Statistics. In 2019, he was elected as a fellow of the American Statistical Association.

Recent and Significant Publications:


External Reviewers:

**Reviewer A:** “My view is that this is an overwhelmingly strong case. Dr. Yu is a leading statistician at the height of his career. He is a Fellow of the American Statistical Association, and has had astonishing success at midwifing significant grant support. He is ... very productive, and he is making huge contributions on nearly every possible professional axis. Our Department of Biostatistics would be thrilled to have someone of his astonishing calibre.”

**Reviewer B:** “Menggang has a very impressive publication record, has demonstrated important leadership in collaborative research, has been well funded, has been a very successful mentor of graduate students, and has done important professional service. I think he has an extremely strong case for an appointment as full professor with tenure in the Department of Biostatistics at the University of Michigan.”

**Reviewer C:** “Dr. Yu’s record is very impressive. In each of the last five years he has published multiple methodological papers in top journals such as *Biometrics*, *JASA*, and the *Annals of Applied Statistics*, while at the same time contributing to many collaborative projects. Dr. Yu’s scientific contributions (both collaborative and methodological) would make him an extremely strong candidate for appointment at my institution.”

**Reviewer D:** “Dr. Yu has made remarkable contributions to multiple highly important fields. It is worth mentioning that his six most recent publications are all in these journals [the top statistics journals] – such a record is really hard to match. Based on my experience, I am fully confident that Dr. Yu will be awarded a full professor position at a biostatistics department comparable to yours.”

**Reviewer E:** “In closing, Dr. Yu, a 2019 elected Fellow of the American Statistical Association, has an exceptional track record of leadership, scholarship, teaching, and service, including consistent outstanding growth in academic leadership and research. He engages in impactful collaborations with clinical and oncology researchers and conducts statistical research that are fundable by extramural agencies. Dr. Yu’s credentials would make him a highly competitive candidate for appointment to a leadership role and professorship with award of tenure at our institution.”
Summary of Recommendations:
Professor Yu’s research in the areas of causal inference and observational studies, risk prediction, clinical biostatistics, and treatment selection will add tremendous depth and strength to the current expertise of the Department of Biostatistics faculty. He has an excellent record of teaching and of both internal and external service. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Menggang Yu as professor of biostatistics, with tenure, School of Public Health, effective January 1, 2024.

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

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

September 2023
Recommendations for approval of new appointments and promotions for regular associate and full professor ranks, without tenure
On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Tulga Ersal as associate professor of mechanical engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

ACADEMIC DEGREES

Tulga Ersal received his B.S.E. (2001) in mechanical engineering from the Istanbul Technical University. He received his M.S.E. (2003) and his Ph.D. (2007) in mechanical engineering from the University of Michigan.

PROFESSIONAL RECORD

Remaining at Michigan, Professor Ersal completed a post-doctoral research fellowship in 2010 and was then appointed as an assistant research scientist in 2011. He was promoted to associate research scientist in 2017 and was recently approved for promotion to research associate professor, effective September 1, 2023.

SUMMARY OF EVALUATION

Professor Ersal’s research lies in the field of system dynamics and control. He focuses on mathematical modeling of dynamic systems, system identification, and advanced control with applications to vehicle and energy systems and human factors in driving. Example applications include unmanned ground vehicles at all levels of autonomy, connected powertrain testbeds, and microgrids. He has 24 funded grants to date, 60 peer-reviewed journal papers and 65 conference papers. He has received 26 honors and awards since 2011, including many best paper awards. He is also a recipient of the Ted Kennedy Family Faculty Team Excellence Award (2020), the Kenneth M. Reese Outstanding Research Scientist Award (2019), and the University of Michigan Office of Research Faculty Recognition Award (2016).
PUBLICATIONS


EXCERPTS FROM EXTERNAL REVIEWS

REVIEWER A: “…Tulga appears to have done an exceptional job of obtaining extramural research funding, advising graduate students, and publishing his work on an international level, all at a level suitable of an Associate Professor. Therefore, I feel his application as an Associate Professor without Tenure is fitting from all measures of evaluation.”

REVIEWER B: “I believe that Dr. Ersal meets all, and exceeds several, of the qualifications required to be appointed as Associate Professor without Tenure, especially due to the high productivity of scientific contributions as evidenced by the many published papers, the strong contributions in technology transfer, and the service activities.”

REVIEWER C: “Dr. Ersal is poised to become a thought leader in our field owing to his intellectual acumen, very strong fundamentals, the multi-disciplinary nature of his research pursuits, and a unique ability to identify open problems whose solution he brings to bear through original modeling and algorithmic techniques. Consistently, he demonstrated an unwavering commitment to his profession.”

REVIEWER D: “…Dr. Ersal is a remarkably productive researcher and has successfully carved his own areas of research, while also collaborating with faculty colleagues at UM. His recent focus on cognitive modeling of human operator behavior in interaction with autonomous systems, on terrain-adaptive vehicles, and on extreme mobility in 3D terrains is quite novel and leverages his considerable experience in multiple facets of his research, from mobility to vehicle performance, to autonomy and robotics.”
REVIEWER E: “Dr. Ersal has received quite a few best paper awards especially from ASME Automotive and Transportation Systems Technical Committee where the best paper awards are selected through a rigorous process by many experts in the field. His scholarly productivity and research impact are excellent compared in his cohort.”

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATION

Professor Ersal 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 Mechanical Engineering. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Tulga Ersal as associate professor of mechanical engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:  

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  

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

August 2023
Recommendaions for approval of reappointments

of regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: James R. Baker, Jr., M.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Ruth Dow Doan Professor of Biologic Nanotechnology, Professor Emeritus of Internal Medicine, Medical School, and Professor Emeritus of Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering and Medical School

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Ruth Dow Doan Professor of Biologic Nanotechnology, Medical School

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

With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of James R. Baker, Jr., M.D. as the Ruth Dow Doan Professor of Biologic Nanotechnology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024.

The Ruth Dow Doan Professorship in Biologic Nanotechnology was established in June 2001 through an endowment funded by a generous gift from Mr. Herbert D. (Ted) Doan, the Herbert and Junia Doan Foundation, and the Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation. The gift is designated to support a combined professorship and directorship of the Center for Biologic Nanotechnology at the University of Michigan.

Dr. Baker is the director of the Michigan Nanotechnology Institute for Medicine and the Biological Sciences. He is highly respected for his expertise in the field of nanotechnology and is credited with establishing the Center for Biologic Nanotechnology at the University of Michigan. His long-standing research in immunology has helped define the basis of several autoimmune diseases. He holds 94 patents and has published 349 peer-reviewed articles.

Dr. Baker continues the ground-breaking research that was present during his first term as the Doan Professor. I am very pleased, therefore, to recommend the reappointment of James R. Baker, Jr., M.D. as the Ruth Dow Doan Professor of Biologic Nanotechnology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024.

Recommended by: Recommendation endorsed by:

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

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

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
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ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to an Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Stephen L. DesJardins

CURRENT TITLES: Marvin W. Peterson Collegiate Professor of Education, and Professor of Education, with tenure, Marsal Family School of Education

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Marvin W. Peterson Collegiate Professor of Education, Marsal Family School of Education

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

With the approval of the Executive Committee of the Marsal Family School of Education, we are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Stephen L. DesJardins as the Marvin W. Peterson Collegiate Professor of Education, Marsal Family School of Education, effective September 1, 2023 through May 31, 2024.

This professorship was established in the Provost Office and was originally named the Algo D. Henderson Collegiate Professorship in Education in December 2004. It was renamed as the Marvin W. Peterson Collegiate Professorship in Education in June 2018. Marvin W. Peterson was a professor of education from 1968 to 2007 and served as the director of the Center for the Study of Higher and Postsecondary Education for 20 years. A stipend funded from college resources accompanies this professorship. Appointment periods may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Stephen L. DesJardins received his Bachelor of Science at Northern Michigan University in 1983. He attended the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs in Minneapolis, where he completed his Master of Arts in 1994 and attended the University of Minnesota where he completed his Doctorate in 1996. He joined our faculty as an associate professor in 2002 and was promoted to professor in 2009. He held a joint appointment as a professor in the Ford School of Public Policy from 2012-2022.

Professor DesJardins is widely recognized as a leading scholar of public policy in higher education. He has made original and significant contributions to integrating the study of student transitions from secondary to and through post-secondary education and improving the sophistication of statistical models and theories of understanding the effects of post-secondary transitions on students. He has authored or co-authored over 40 peer-reviewed journal articles and 13 book chapters and has received 26 grants yielding more than $5 million to advance his research. His work is widely cited and has earned him numerous awards and honors, including
an American Education Research Association (AERA) Fellowship, a 2021 Fulbright Specialist award, and selection as a 2022 Fulbright Scholar.

An award-winning teacher, Professor DesJardins combines openness, guidance, and interactive learning. He strives to design courses that use problem-solving and simulation models to explain complex concepts. He is also a dedicated mentor. He has served on a number of dissertation committees, and has co-authored more than 30 articles and book chapters with students. His advisees are in government positions in Korea, China, and Japan, hold faculty positions throughout the United States, and are serving in influential education policy-making and policy-analytic positions in the United States and internationally.

Professor DesJardins is dedicated, methodological, and thoughtful in carrying out his service responsibilities. He has held roles on the editorial board of *Economics of Education Review* and as the contributing editor to *Research in Higher Education*. He serves as faculty lead in the Center for Education, Design, Evaluation, and Research and as the director of the Dual Degree Program in Higher Education and Public Policy in the Marsal Family School of Education.

We are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Stephen L. DesJardins as the Marvin W. Peterson Collegiate Professor of Education, Marsal Family School of Education, effective September 1, 2023 through May 31, 2024.

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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
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ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Gautam Kaul

CURRENT TITLES: Robert G. Rodkey Collegiate Professor of Business Administration, and Professor of Finance, with tenure, Stephen M. Ross School of Business

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Robert G. Rodkey Collegiate Professor of Business Administration

TERM: One Year, 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 reappointment of Gautam Kaul as the Robert G. Rodkey Collegiate Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, for a one-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.

The Robert G. Rodkey Collegiate Professorship in Business Administration was established in August 2006 in honor of Professor Robert G. Rodkey. The purpose of this fund is to help increase knowledge and understanding of business practices through instruction and research. Appointments to this professorship is reserved for a senior faculty member. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Gautam Kaul received a B.A. from Delhi University in India in 1974, a M.A. from the Delhi School of Economics in 1976, and a Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in 1984. He was also a fellow at the Indian Institute of Management in 1981. Professor Kaul joined the Ross School faculty as an assistant professor of finance in 1986, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 1991, and to professor in 1993.

Professor Kaul is distinguished not only by his scholarship which has been published in the most prestigious journals in finance and economics, but also as being one of the Ross School’s best teachers, receiving consistently high ratings. He has received many teaching awards including the Neary Teaching Excellence Award for our full-time MBA program in 2013. He has also been recognized by his peers for his innovative approach to teaching when they awarded him the Victor L. Bernard Faculty Award for Leadership in Teaching in 2009. He has served as an associate dean and as the chair of the finance area and has long involvement with the school’s doctoral program. Most recently, he served as special counsel for digital education initiatives to
the Provost Office. Professor Kaul brings the same honor and dedication to the Rodkey professorship that he has brought to all his other professional appointments.

We enthusiastically recommend the reappointment of Gautam Kaul as the Robert G. Rodkey Collegiate Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, for a one-year 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

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Academic Administrative Appointment

NAME: Kyle D. Logue

CURRENT TITLES: Associate Dean for Faculty and Research, Douglas A. Kahn Collegiate Professor, and Professor of Law, with tenure, Law School

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Associate Dean for Faculty and Research, Law School

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

The Law School is pleased to recommend the reappointment of Kyle D. Logue as associate dean for faculty and research, Law School, effective September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

Kyle Logue received his Bachelor of Arts, with highest honors, in 1987 from Auburn University, College of Liberal Arts. He received his J.D. in 1990 from Yale Law School. He clerked for the Honorable Patrick E. Higginbotham in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit from 1990-1991. Professor Logue practiced law with the firm of Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan in Atlanta, Georgia from 1991-1993. He joined the law school faculty as an assistant professor in 1993 and was promoted to professor in 1998.

Professor Logue is widely recognized as a tax and insurance law expert, one of the nation’s leading scholars in both of those fields. He is known for, among other things, bridging those fields. Themes of legal transitions (tax transition and otherwise), uncertainty, and the tax rules of insurance define his work. He has published widely. His publications have appeared in journals such as the Chicago Law Review, the Cornell Law Review, the Tax Law Review, the Virginia Law Review, and the Yale Law Journal. Professor Logue also teaches torts, in addition to tax, insurance, and other related courses. He has the deserved reputations as one of the school’s strongest teachers.

We are pleased to recommend the reappointment of Kyle D. Logue as associate dean for faculty and research, Law School, effective September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:  
Mark D. West  
David A. Breach Dean of Law  
Nippon Life Professor of Law  
Law School

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

August 2023  

INTERIM APPROVAL GRANTED
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ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Academic Administrative Appointment

NAME: Mark D. West

CURRENT TITLES: David A. Breach Dean of Law, Nippon Life Professor of Law, and Professor of Law, with tenure, Law School

TITLE BEING RENEWED: David A. Breach Dean of Law, Law School

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

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Mark D. West as the David A. Breach Dean of Law, Law School, effective September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

Mark West earned his B.A. degree from Rhodes College in 1989 and his J.D. degree in 1993 from Columbia Law School, where he was notes and comments editor of the Columbia Law Review. He clerked for the Honorable Eugene H. Nickerson of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York, and practiced in the law firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison in New York and Tokyo. From 1997-1998, he was an Abe Fellow at the University of Tokyo Faculty of Law. He has conducted research and taught at Kyoto University, where he has been a Fulbright Scholar and a fellow of the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science.

Dean West joined the University of Michigan Law School faculty as an assistant professor in 1998 and was appointed as the Nippon Life Professor of Law in 2003. From 2003-2008, he served as the director of both the Law School’s Center for International and Comparative Law and the University of Michigan Center for Japanese Studies. Dean West served as the Law School’s associate dean for academic affairs from 2008-2013, and was appointed the 17th dean in 2013.

Dean West is the author of six books, including the leading casebook on Japanese Law (The Japanese Legal System, Foundation Press, 2d ed. 2012) and most recently, Drunk Japan: Law and Alcohol in Japanese Society (Oxford University Press, 2020). Dean West has a strong record of published articles, reviews, commentaries, and presentations delivered nationally and internationally.

Dean West has served as the 17th dean of the Law School for a decade. Among his achievements, he significantly expanded and diversified the faculty, including the hiring of a record 21 new faculty members in 2022. Working with students, employers, and alumni, he established a summer funding guarantee for all first-year students that was the most expansive in the country at the time of its creation. He has created and launched several new initiatives,
including the Law and Mobility Program; the Master of Advanced Corporation Law degree; the Veterans’ Clinic; the Workers’ Rights Clinic; and the Problem-Solving Initiative, an interdisciplinary, university-wide platform for developing solutions to difficult challenges facing business and society. Dean West led the school’s successful fundraising efforts in the Victors for Michigan campaign, with donors giving over $200 million to the school. Dean West is the inaugural David A. Breach Dean of Law and has dedicated the funds generated by the deanship gift to support racial justice initiatives.

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Mark D. West, effective September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, which will provide consistent leadership as the next dean is identified.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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Recommendations for approval of joint or additional appointments
or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected
academic and administrative staff
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
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ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Department Chair

NAME: Denise L. Anthony

CURRENT TITLES: Chair, Department of Health Management and Policy, Professor of Health Management and Policy, with tenure, School of Public Health, Professor of Sociology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and Professor of Information, without tenure, School of Information

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Rubin Department Chair of Health Management and Policy, Professor of Health Management and Policy, with tenure, School of Public Health, Professor of Sociology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and Professor of Information, without tenure, School of Information

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

The dean of the School of Public Health and the school’s Executive Committee are pleased to recommend the appointment of Denise L. Anthony as the Rubin Department Chair of Health Management and Policy, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.

Denise Anthony earned her Bachelor of Arts at Indiana University of Pennsylvania in 1990 and her doctorate from the University of Connecticut in 1997. Prior to her arrival at the University of Michigan, she served in increasingly impactful positions at Dartmouth, including chair of sociology and vice provost for academic initiatives. Professor Anthony’s work focuses on how social dynamics of cooperation, trust, and privacy shape behavior related to information technologies and the implications for data produced and shared via those technologies. Professor Anthony was appointed as the chair of the Department of Health Management and Policy in 2021, and during her time in that role, she has led a renewed focus on the student experience, launched a strategic planning process, and ensured that the department continues its longstanding ranking among the top health management and policy programs. In addition, Professor Anthony has seized on the department’s exceptional alumni base to generate new opportunities for students and increase overall philanthropic giving.
We enthusiastically recommend the appointment of Denise L. Anthony as the Rubin Department Chair of Health Management and Policy, School of Public Health, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.

Recommended by: 

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

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

Elizabeth Yakel
Interim Dean, School of Information

Recommendation endorsed by:

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

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Tina Bawden

CURRENT TITLE: Assistant Professor of Western Medieval Art, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: George H. and Ilene H. Forsyth Professor, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

EFFECTIVE DATES: August 28, 2023 through August 31, 2028

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of the History of Art and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Tina Bawden as the George H. and Ilene H. Forsyth Professor, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

As a result of a generous gift from Ilene H. Forsyth, the George H. and Ilene H. Forsyth Professorship was established in June 2020. This professorship is intended to support the tradition of research and publication that encourages Michigan faculty and graduate students to engage world-wide in investigations of medieval art. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Tina Bawden received her Master of Arts from the University of Glasgow, Scotland in 2003 and earned her doctorate from the University of Giessen, Germany in 2010. She has held appointments as a lecturer at University of Giessen (2011-2012), post-doctoral fellow at the Free University in Berlin (2012-2014, 2014-2016), and lecturer at the Free University in Berlin (2016-2023), and will join the Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in August 2023.

Professor Bawden specializes in European art of the early and high Middle Ages (before 1200), with a particular focus on books, codicology, image-text relations, especially visual narratives, material objects, sacred spaces, and visual anthropology. Her research has been supported by several fellowships and grants, including the University of Leeds and the IFK in Vienna (Institute of Cultural Studies), as well as fellowships at her home institution. She is the author of a book, The Threshold in the Middle Ages: Pictorial Motif and Pictorial Space (Cologne/Vienna: Böhlau, 2014), and has published several articles and reviews.

Professor Bawden has significant teaching experience having taught at the University of Giessen, the University of Basel, Switzerland, and the Free University in Berlin. She has offered a broad array of classes on a variety of topics in medieval studies, including religious art, conceptions of the natural world, medievalisms, and art historical methods. Professor Bawden has demonstrated
a great interest in experiential learning and has introduced students to what it means to work with objects and images from the past. She has also supervised several student theses and served on twelve dissertation committees.

While at the Free University in Berlin, Professor Bawden served on search and interview committees for two professorships and was a member of a committee that evaluated the Department of the History of Art’s courses. She has also coordinated several workshops, conferences, and manuscript working groups.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Tina Bawden as the George H. and Ilene H. Forsyth Professor, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

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

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Miranda D. Brown

CURRENT TITLES: Arthur F. Thurnau Professor and Professor of Asian Languages and Cultures, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Yi-tsi Mei Feuerwerker Collegiate Professor of Chinese Studies, 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 Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Miranda D. Brown as the Yi-tsi Mei Feuerwerker Collegiate Professor of Chinese Studies, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

This professorship was established in the Provost Office and was named the Yi-tsi Mei Feuerwerker Collegiate Professorship in Chinese Studies in July 2023. Yi-tsi Mei Feuerwerker was a faculty member at the University of Michigan from 1962 until her retirement in May 2000. A stipend funded from college resources accompanies this professorship. Appointment periods may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Miranda Brown attended the University of California, Berkeley where she earned her Bachelor of Arts in 1996, Master of Arts in 1999, and doctorate in 2002. She began her career as an assistant professor at the University of Michigan in 2002. She was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2008, and to professor in 2015.

Professor Brown is a cultural historian and one of the world’s leading authorities on China. She is the author of The Politics of Mourning in Ancient China (State University of New York Press, 2007), The Art of Medicine in Early China: The Ancient and Medieval Origins of a Modern Archive (Cambridge University Press, 2015), and co-author of the textbook A Brief History of Chinese Civilization (Thompson/Wadsworth, 2005), which is in its fourth edition. She is in high demand not only in international scholarly circles, but also in the popular press, where she is regularly cited by CNN, The Economist, NBC News, and newspapers in both China and the United States—a rare profile for an historian of premodern China. In 2022, she was awarded the Distinguished Achievement Award at the Celebration of UM American Faculty and Student Accomplishments Symposium. Professor Brown’s most recent book project, Adaptation: The Global History of Chinese Food, explores the history of Chinese cuisine through its signature dishes and drinks. With this project, she aims to show that conventional accounts not only obscure the dynamism of the culinary traditions of the people who call or called themselves Chinese, but also erase the contributions of those who did not. Her recent work on this topic has led to publications in
Gastronomica, the leading academic journal in food studies, and the prestigious Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Abroad fellowship to pursue her research in Taiwan during the 2023-2024 academic year.

During her term as the director of undergraduate studies from 2011-2018, Professor Brown revolutionized undergraduate teaching in the department by completely restructuring the department’s major and minors with a new set of courses that would attract students. In this way, she helped create a new departmental culture in which pedagogical innovation has thrived. She was also the driving force behind the department’s decade-long effort to unify and expand its course offerings by embracing the theme of “Border Crossings.” In 2019, she was honored with the Individual Achievement Award for Outstanding Contributions to Undergraduate Education. Professor Brown’s success as a teacher and a mentor is further evidenced by the frequency with which she is asked to supervise undergraduate honors theses. She now holds the department record for shepherding the most honors theses to successful completion. Professor Brown’s commitment to the support of her students extends to her graduate students. She has served on no fewer than fourteen dissertation committees and frequently co-authors papers with her graduate students, elevating the academic profiles of doctoral candidates and helping them secure jobs after graduation.

Professor Brown’s commitment to service extends well beyond her home department. She has served on over fifty committees, including the LSA Divisional Committee of Evaluations and Promotions. She also currently sits on the editorial board of several flagship journals in the fields of Chinese studies, ancient and medieval history, and food studies, and she is a sought-after public speaker throughout the United States, Europe, and China. She is also the co-founder and co-editor of the prestigious journal *Fragments: Interdisciplinary Studies of the Ancient and Medieval Pasts*.

We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Miranda D. Brown as the Yi-tsi Mei Feuerwerker Collegiate Professor of Chinese Studies, 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

September 2023
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ACTION REQUEST: Joint Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Parag B. Deotare

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Associate 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 joint appointment of Parag B. Deotare as associate professor of physics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

Parag Deotare received his Bachelor of Engineering from the University of Pune, India in 2004 and his Master of Science from Texas A&M University in 2007. He earned his doctorate from Harvard University in 2012. Following a post-doctoral fellowship at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (2012-2015), he joined the faculty in the College of Engineering as an assistant professor in 2016 and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2022.

Professor Deotare’s research interests include light-matter interaction in nanoscale systems and the development of low energy photonic and excitonic devices for applications in data communication and life sciences. His lab focuses on experiments in condensed matter, quantum optics, quantum physics, and laser spectroscopy to bridge fundamental physics to potentially transformative applied applications. His interdisciplinary research will add to the current research portfolio of the Department of Physics and will facilitate collaborations with existing research groups with similar interests. Professor Deotare recently received a large award from the Defense University Research Instrumentation Program (DURIP) to create a super resolution helium scanning optical microscope that will enable research in an entirely new parameter space for the study of quantum nanostructures and the creation of quantum states of the radiation field. Both Professor Deotare and the faculty in the department will be able to directly advance their research through collaborative projects that will benefit from shared equipment resources. Professor Deotare is an engaging teacher, advisor, and mentor. His teaching evaluations are consistently positive, and in 2017, he was the first assistant professor in their first year of teaching to be elected HKN Professor of the Year by the Beta-Epsilon chapter of Eta Kappa Nu. To date, he has mentored twenty-nine graduate students, ten undergraduate students, and one high school student. This appointment will enable Professor Deotare to contribute to teaching
undergraduate and graduate students in the department and enhance his recruiting efforts for his research lab.

Professor Deotare has an active service record to the university and the field. He is a council member of the university’s Lurie Nanofabrication Facility and an academic advisory board member for the Department of Electrical Engineering at the College of Engineering, Pune. He recently served as a subcommittee chair and hybrid platform organization chair for Compound Semiconductor Week 2022. Professor Deotare is also very involved in the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), having served as session chair for the IEEE Research and Applications of Photonics in Defense Conference (2018-2021), on subcommittees for the IEEE Photonics Conference (2019-2021), and as a member of the IEEE Photonics Society.

We are very pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Parag B. Deotare as associate professor of physics, 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

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Hussam K. El-Kashlan, M.D.

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, with tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: John L. Kemink, M.D. Professor of Neurotology, Medical School

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

On the recommendation of Mark E.P. Prince, M.D., Charles J. Krause, M.D. Collegiate Professor and chair of the Department of Otolaryngology–Head and Neck Surgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee, Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Hussam K. El-Kashlan, M.D. as the John L. Kemink, M.D. Professor of Neurotology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2028.

The John L. Kemink, M.D. Professorship in Neurotology was established in February 1998 as a memorial to Dr. Kemink and his pioneering work in the area of cochlear implantation. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Dr. El-Kashlan has been highly successful as a leader at Michigan Medicine. He has held the position of medical director of several of our clinics, spanning 24 years including: the Vestibular Testing Center, Briarwood Hearing Rehabilitation Center, Med-Inn Otolaryngology, Taubman Adult Otolaryngology ACU, and Michigan Balance ACU. He is currently the chief of the Division of Otology and Neurotology. Dr. El-Kashlan has also been highly successful as a clinician-scientist, competing for grant funding from the NIH and other sources with a focus on cochlear implant outcomes, vestibular schwannoma, autoimmune hearing loss, and balance disorders. He has been invited as a guest speaker nationally and internationally 150 times over the years, which speaks to his excellent international and national reputation.

Dr. El-Kashlan has a deep commitment to the University of Michigan as a very productive and excellent mentor, clinician-scientist and educator. I am very pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Hussam K. El-Kashlan, M.D. as the John L. Kemink, M.D. Professor of Neurotology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2013 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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

NAME: August E. Evrard

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Arthur W. and Alice R. Burks Collegiate Professor of Physics, 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 Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of August E. Evrard as the Arthur W. and Alice R. Burks Collegiate Professor of Physics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

This professorship was established in the Provost Office and was named the Arthur W. and Alice R. Burks Collegiate Professorship in Physics in July 2023. Arthur Burks was a faculty member at the University of Michigan from 1946 until his retirement in May 1986. He passed away in 2008. Alice Burks was employed as a “human computer” at the University of Pennsylvania’s Moore School of Electrical Engineering before marrying Arthur in 1943. She supported and assisted him throughout his career and co-authored several publications and a book. She passed away in 2017. A stipend funded from college resources accompanies this professorship. Appointment periods may be up to five years and may be renewed.

August Evrard received his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Pennsylvania in 1981 and earned his doctorate from the State University of New York in 1986. He held fellowships at Princeton University (1986), the University of Cambridge (1986-1988), and the University of California, Berkeley (1988-1990) before joining our faculty as an assistant professor in 1990. Professor Evrard was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 1996, and to professor in 2001.

Professor Evrard is a leading computational cosmologist who studies the history and evolution of the universe using computer simulations. He has made fundamental contributions to the field since the beginning of his career. He developed an original code capable of modeling multiple types of fluids, principally dark and ordinary matter, within large cosmic volumes. Early applications of this code led to the first models of X-ray emission from galaxy clusters and the
first simulations in which disk galaxies like our Milky Way formed naturally from collapse within a cosmic web of large-scale structure. Another of Professor Evrard’s major contributions to cosmology was the creation of the “Hubble volume” simulation which was the first simulation to generate a computer realization of our whole observable universe. The Hubble volume simulation was shortly followed by the groundbreaking Millennium simulation (Springel et al including Evrard; 2005) which became one of the most cited papers of all time in astrophysics. He has authored approximately 350 referred papers that have garnered more than 32,000 citations, making him one of the most cited faculty in the department. Professor Evrard is a builder of the Dark Energy Survey, one of the most successful cosmological surveys to date, and member of the XMM-XXL survey and the Virgo Consortium. His modeling is done on supercomputers at UM and other national high-performance computing centers and his research has been supported by NASA, NSF, DOE, and NATO, among other prestigious agencies. In 2012, he was named a fellow of the American Physical Society for “groundbreaking work in simulations of large-scale structure with particular emphasis on theory of galaxies.”

Professor Evrard’s impressive research achievements go hand in hand with his mentoring and teaching. He is recognized as a selfless mentor and many of his mentees have gone on to accept tenure-track positions at Yale, Stanford, and Skidmore College, among others. He also advises several assistant professors in the department. His outreach includes activities that are aimed at underrepresented groups, including organizing two campus visits for students of Detroit’s Jalen Rose Leadership Academy. Professor Evrard has taught several courses in the department, including the introductory Physics 140 lecture course. This course has enrollment of upwards of 200 students per section, which translates to his teaching several thousand students their first physics course at UM. He developed teaching curricula outside of the department, leading to the creation of a new interdisciplinary course, Sl/Hon/Phys 365: Cyberscience, which he has taught several times. His recent work developing educational services has fueled an interest in the emerging fields of Learning Analytics and Educational Data Science. Professor Evrard has consistently been praised by students as being a caring, innovative, and effective teacher. In 2009, he was awarded an Arthur F. Thurnau Professorship as well as the Provost’s Teaching Innovation Prize (shared with Tim McKay and David Gerdes).

Professor Evrard has made significant service contributions during his career. When he realized that students did not have equal access to past exams and study resources, he created Problem Roulette (PR), a study service that offers access to a library of locally-authored exam problems in select foundational courses at UM. Since its inception, more than 50,000 unique students have attempted nearly ten million problems across seventeen courses in several different UM colleges. He was awarded the Provost’s Teaching Innovation Prize in 2019 for this work. Professor Evrard has served as a member and chair of several committees and in doing so, has been involved in many initiatives, such as the creation of Academic Reporting Tools (ART), later rebranded as Atlas, contributing to the Learning Analytics Data Architecture (LARC), and launching both the Michigan Institute for Data Science (MIDAS) and the Michigan Institute for Computational Discovery and Engineering (MICDE). Most recently, he helped establish the Program in Computing in Arts and Science (PCAS), for which he currently serves as the associate director. Professor Evrard organized the inaugural Great Lakes Cosmology Workshops at UM and is one of two principal organizers of the “Physics of the Intracluster Medium” series of workshops that take place in different countries. He has also served on the scientific
organizing committee of a number of major national and international conferences and workshops as well as several review panels for funding agencies such as the NSF and NASA.

We are pleased to recommend the appointment of August E. Evrard as the Arthur W. and Alice R. Burks Collegiate Professor of Physics, 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

September 2023
We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Karen B. Farris as senior associate dean, College of Pharmacy, for a three-year term, effective September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2026.

Karen Farris received her BS in pharmacy from the University of Tennessee, Memphis, in 1986, her MPA in 1989 from the University of Memphis, and her PhD in pharmacy from the University of Michigan in 1993. She joined the faculty of pharmacy and pharmaceutical sciences at the University of Alberta, Canada as an assistant professor in 1993 and was promoted to associate professor in 1999. She joined the University of Iowa College of Pharmacy in 2000 as an associate professor of clinical and administrative pharmacy and was given the additional appointment of associate professor of community and behavioral health in the College of Public Health in 2003. In 2005, she was appointed as an assistant head for post-professional education in her division at the College of Pharmacy, and in 2008, was promoted to professor in both colleges. Professor Farris joined the University of Michigan as the Charles R. Walgreen III Professor of Pharmacy Administration and professor of social and administrative sciences in the College of Pharmacy, and professor of health behavior and health education in the School of Public Health. She was appointed as the associate chair in the Department of Clinical, Social, and Administrative Sciences, now known as the Department of Clinical Pharmacy (2013); interim chair (2014); and chair (2015-2020). In 2022, she was appointed as the associate dean for faculty affairs and graduate and undergraduate education in the College of Pharmacy.

Professor Farris is well known for her work on social theories to examine how individuals manage medications and how pharmacists in oncology and primary care settings influence medication use. She has gained recognition by experts in both public health and pharmacy through her work on the impact of pharmacists’ care on medication adherence and health outcomes. Professor Farris is an outstanding citizen of her profession, having significant impact by providing effective leadership and participation in key professional organizations, as well as within the college and university. She is a dynamic and dedicated educator and mentor who is successful at engaging students and trainees at every level, and she is also very committed to the development and success of junior faculty. She has received many accolades for her efforts, including the Tyler Prize for Stimulation of Research
from the American Pharmacists Association (2023), the Michigan Institute for Clinical and Health Research (MICHR) Distinguished Clinical and Translational Research Mentor Award (2016), and both the Outstanding Student Mentor Award in Biological and Life Sciences and P3 Class Teacher of the Year at the University of Iowa (2007). As a member of the IPE 101 Task Force, she was a recipient of the 2020 IPE Innovation and Excellence Award for their work in interprofessional education. In 2023 she received the Tyler Prize for Stimulation of Research from the American Pharmaceutical Association (AphA). This award recognizes an individual(s) for encouraging research by peers, students, fellows, residents, and others via publications or by directing research, serving as a preceptor, or mentoring in any discipline of the pharmaceutical sciences.

Professor Farris is a highly valued and respected member of our faculty who has distinguished herself as an effective, visionary leader. She quickly and effectively established her role as the associate dean for faculty affairs and graduate and undergraduate education in 2022. During her previous service as the department chair, she was a very motivated and creative advocate for her department, and she successfully navigated the college’s relationship with Michigan Medicine and many complex issues. She built a critical mass of faculty in translational sciences in a relatively short period of time, and the Clinical Pharmacy Translational Sciences Graduate and Fellows Program was initiated under her leadership. Her appointment as senior associate dean will expand her leadership role at the College of Pharmacy to span all our academic programs and faculty affairs.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Karen B. Farris as senior associate dean, College of Pharmacy, for a three-year term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2026.

RECOMMENDED BY: RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Vicki L. Ellingrod, PharmD, FCCP, FACNP Laurie K. McCauley
Dean Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
John Gideon Searle Professor, Professor of Pharmacy President for Academic Affairs
Professor of Psychiatry
College of Pharmacy

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Cynthia J. Finelli

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, with tenure, College of Engineering, and Professor of Education, without tenure, Marsal Family School of Education

ADDITIONAL TITLE: David C. Munson, Jr. Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering

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

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Cynthia J. Finelli as the David C. Munson, Jr. Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The David C. Munson, Jr. Collegiate Professorship in Engineering was established in July 2023 to honor David C. Munson, Jr., a former dean and faculty member of the college. The professorship is funded by the College of Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Cynthia Finelli received her B.S.E. (1988), her M.S.E. (1989) and her Ph.D. (1993) in electrical engineering from the University of Michigan (UM). Prior to joining UM, Professor Finelli was the founding director of the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, the Richard L. Terrell Professor of Excellence in Teaching, and associate professor of electrical engineering at Kettering University. In 2003, Professor Finelli joined the UM as the founding director for the Center for Research on Learning and Teaching in Engineering. She also held an appointment as an associate research scientist (2004-2010) and research associate professor (2010-2015) before being appointed as an associate professor of electrical engineering and computer science in 2015. She was promoted to professor in 2019. Since 2016, Professor Finelli has served as the director and graduate chair for the Engineering Education Research Program (EER).

Professor Finelli is the first tenure-line engineering faculty member at UM whose scholarship focuses exclusively on EER, and she chaired a committee to develop the EER graduate program at UM. Professor Finelli’s research focuses on learning and teaching at the undergraduate level and on faculty professional development. Among other topics, she studies faculty adoption of evidence-based teaching, academic success of STEM college students with neurodiversities (e.g., Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder; ADHD), and social responsibility among
undergraduate engineers. She led a multi-institution research study to explore engineering undergraduate students’ ethical development and assess the impact of ethics initiatives on it and an international effort to create a taxonomy for the field of EER, which is still in use by the leading journals in the field.

Professor Finelli is a fellow of both the Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and the American Society of Engineering Education (ASEE), a member of the Governing Board of the Research in Engineering Education Network, and associate editor for the *European Journal of Engineering Education*. She has previously served as deputy editor for the *Journal of Engineering Education*, associate editor for the *IEEE Transactions on Education*, chair of the Engineering Education Chairs and Heads Association, co-chair of the ASEE Committee on Scholarly Publications, chair of the Educational Research and Methods Division of ASEE, and member of the Steering Committee for the IEEE/ASEE Frontiers in Education Conference.

Professor Finelli’s academic achievements fully merit her appointment to this professorship. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Cynthia J. Finelli as the David C. Munson, Jr. Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Joint Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Noel Christopher Giebink

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: 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 joint appointment of Noel Christopher Giebink as professor of physics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023.

Christopher Giebink attended Trinity University where he received both his Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degrees in 2003. He attended Princeton University and earned his Master of Arts in 2005 and doctorate in 2009. Following a post-doctoral fellowship at Argonne National Laboratory (2009-2012), Professor Giebink started his instructional career at Pennsylvania State University (PSU) as an assistant professor in 2012. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2018, and to professor in 2022. He joined the faculty in the College of Engineering as a professor, with tenure, in August 2023.

Professor Giebink is a world leader in soft materials and organic electronics. He has made many fundamental discoveries that have helped transform organic materials, enabling them to be widely used in displays and employed in next-generation photovoltaic devices and systems. His group has also demonstrated continuous-wave lasing in an organic-inorganic lead halide perovskite semiconductor. Professor Giebink has been recognized with many awards including the NSF CAREER Award, PSU’s Outstanding Research Award, and the DARPA Young Faculty Award, among others. He has demonstrated impressive capabilities to raise a significant amount of funding and lead mid- to relatively large-scale projects supporting his research group and vision. His work has made an impact with more than 7,000 citations, according to Google Scholar. Professor Giebink’s research on light-matter interaction is closely related to that of several faculty in the Department of Physics and is a natural area of interest for many students in the department. His expertise on this subject, as well as soft materials and organic electronics more broadly, will enhance mentoring and outreach initiatives and advance the goals of both colleges.
Professor Giebink has taught at all levels at PSU and has broad knowledge in the areas of materials, electronic devices, energy conversion devices, and optics. With this background, he will be able to teach courses in semiconductor and solid-state devices, organic electronics, lasers and LEDs, and quantum technology within the College of Engineering and with the possibility of cross-listing courses. In 2015, he was recognized with the Joel & Ruth Spira Excellence in Teaching Award. Several of Professor Giebink’s most successful graduate student advisees at PSU have been physics students, and he hopes to continue this trend at UM.

Professor Giebink has an established record of significant service contributions. His standing in the community is evidenced through his work as an organizer in several international conferences as well as his many invited presentations. He also serves as a reviewer for top journals in his field such as *Nature*, *Nature Photonics*, and *Nature Materials*. Internally, he has held many service roles at the university, college, and department levels.

We are very pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Noel Christopher Giebink as professor of physics, 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

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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Rachel S. Goldman

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Maria Goeppert Mayer Collegiate Professor, College of Engineering

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

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Rachel S. Goldman as the Maria Goeppert Mayer Collegiate Professor, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Maria Goeppert Mayer Collegiate Professorship was established in July 2023 to honor Maria Goeppert Mayer, a former faculty member of the university. The professorship is funded by the College of Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Rachel Goldman received her B.S. (1988) in physics from the University of Michigan. She received her M.S. (1992) in applied physics from Cornell University, and her Ph.D. (1995) in materials science from the University of California, San Diego. Following her Ph.D., Professor Goldman was a post-doctoral fellow (1995-1996) at Carnegie Mellon University prior to returning to the University of Michigan in 1997 as the Dow Corning Assistant Professor. She was promoted to associate professor in 2003 and to professor in 2007. Professor Goldman has served as the associate director of Applied Physics since 2010.

A leader in electronic and photonic materials research and education, Professor Goldman is internationally recognized for elucidating the mechanisms of nanostructure formation in semiconductor fabrication and developing tools to map them at atomic resolution. Her early work on strain relaxation in semiconductors has made a significant impact on the telecommunications and defense industries, with innovations appearing in state-of-the-art
infrared cameras used by the military. Professor Goldman’s discovery of a magic alloy, on track to spur the next generation of solar cells, has made its way into congressional testimony during a joint meeting of the Energy and the Science and Technology Subcommittees of the U.S. House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. Professor Goldman recently pioneered a novel approach to nanolasmonics and metamaterials, facilitating design of photonic devices ranging from invisibility cloaks to high sensitivity biosensors. Her advances in controlled formation of plasmonic nanoparticles on and beneath surfaces have opened the way for their use in flexible solar cells and light–emitting diodes spanning from the IR to UV spectral ranges.

Professor Goldman has revolutionized the teaching of materials science and engineering with the creation of new courses and laboratory modules in electronic materials. She also pioneered the incorporation of Writing to Learn (WTL) pedagogies into introductory materials engineering courses. Professor Goldman has published papers on evaluating the effectiveness of the WTL assignments and their impact on student learning of key foundational concepts in both the Journal of Chemical Education and MRS Communications.

Professor Goldman has authored or co-authored >140 publications on processing-structure-property correlations in epitaxial semiconductor films, nanostructures, and heterostructures. She holds a U.S. patent on “ion-cut-synthesis,” a novel approach for simultaneous synthesis and integration of nanocomposite materials with virtually any substrate. Professor Goldman’s achievements have been recognized with >200 invitations to speak at international conferences and highly ranked universities and institutes world-wide. She has advised 190 students in research, including 41 graduate, 14 post-doctoral, 114 undergraduate, and 21 high school students. She also initiated multiple programs to embed high school students into UM research projects, benefiting >150 students. Among Professor Goldman’s advisees, several are pursuing academic careers, while many are employed by industrial and government laboratories.

Professor Goldman’s achievements have been recognized by numerous awards, including the Peter Mark Memorial Award from the AVS Science and Technology Society (formerly the American Vacuum Society), the Augustus Anson Whitney Fellowship from the Radcliffe Institute at Harvard University, and the 50th Anniversary Distinguished Alumna of the Electronic Devices and Materials Group at UC-San Diego. She is an elected fellow of the American Physical Society (APS), the AVS Science and Technology Society, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS).

Professor Goldman is an associate editor for the Journal of Applied Physics, and she recently completed a four-year term in the chair line of the Division of Materials Physics of the APS. Professor Goldman is the director of a new $7.5M Multidisciplinary University Research Initiative supported by the Air Force Office of Scientific Research and a new $18M Materials Research Science and Engineering Center supported by the National Science Foundation.
Professor Goldman’s academic achievements fully merit her appointment to this professorship. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Rachel S. Goldman as the Maria Goeppert Mayer Collegiate Professor, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

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

September 2023

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Vikas Gulani, M.D., Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Fred Jenner Hodges Professor of Radiology, Chair, Department of Radiology, and Professor of Radiology, with tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Biomedical Engineering, without tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

On the recommendation of Mary-Ann Mycek, Ph.D., professor and interim chair of the Department of Biomedical Engineering, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School and College of Engineering, we are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Vikas Gulani, M.D., Ph.D. as professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023.

Dr. Gulani’s research is the study of unique methods in MRI imaging with a focus on cancer imaging modalities. He is the co-investigator one R37 from the National Institutes of Health (NIH). His research has been funded throughout his career by the NIH and foundation funding. He has published 105 peer-reviewed manuscripts in high impact journals including Tomography, Investigative Radiology, and the Journal of Imaging. He has published two books, and 11 book chapters. He has 37 patents and has been invited both nationally and internationally to give extramural presentations on 66 occasions, including in the United Kingdom, Australia, Canada, Austria, Japan, South Korea, Ireland, Italy, Norway, Germany, Spain, and Singapore. He has provided 15 visiting professorships. His research has been recognized with numerous awards, including being a semi-finalist of the “Most Influential Radiology Research” from AuntMinnie, a fellow of the International Cancer Imaging Society, and a fellow of the International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine.

Dr. Gulani has more than a decade of teaching experience both didactically and through individual mentorships of numerous trainees. In terms of teaching, he has mentored a vast array of students ranging from graduate students, post-doctoral researchers, Ph.D. students, master’s students, residents, fellows, faculty, and medical students. He has been on the thesis committee of 14 students. He has taught or given lectures in 13 different classes, including Molecular Imaging (EBME 462), Introduction to BME (EBME 105), and Translational Research (EBME 440). Many of his mentees have gone on to successful careers and received prestigious awards and grants.
Dr. Gulani has an outstanding service record. Institutionally, Dr. Gulani has been serving as the Fred Jenner Hodges Professor and chair in the Department of Radiology at the University of Michigan since 2019, and has served on the Dean’s Advisory Council, the Research Board of Directors, The Frankel Cardiovascular Center Executive Group, the Hospital Capital Committee, the Rogel Center Internal Advisory Forum, the Executive Advisory Committee, the Perioperative and procedural Oversight Committee and the Clinical Inpatient Tower Committee among others. He is active from a service perspective at the international, national, and institutional levels. He has held many chair and member positions in the International Society of Magnetic Resonance in Medicine and the Radiological Society of North America. He has participated in several NIH study sections. He has served on the editorial board for two journals and served on the Ethics Committee for a third.

With this additional appointment, Dr. Gulani will mentor biomedical engineering (BME) graduate and undergraduate students, contribute to BME graduate recruitment activities, provide team-teaching as needed, attend BME faculty meetings, serve on BME committees as requested, and serve on thesis committees of BME students. We are pleased, therefore, to recommend the additional appointment of Vikas Gulani, M.D., Ph.D. as professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, Medical School and College of Engineering, effective September 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

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

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Joint Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Michelle L. Hastings, Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Pfizer Upjohn Research Professor of Pharmacology, and Professor of Pharmacology, with tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Medicinal Chemistry, without tenure, College of Pharmacy

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

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

On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Pharmacy, we are pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Michelle L. Hastings, Ph.D. as professor of medicinal chemistry, without tenure, College of Pharmacy, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

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. 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, with tenure, in 2014, and to professor in 2020, all at RFUMS. Dr. Hastings was appointed as the director of the Center for Genetic Disease at the Chicago Medical School, and in 2019, the vice chair of the Department of Cell Biology and Anatomy at the RFUMS. In May 2023, Professor Hastings joined the University of Michigan Medical School as a professor of pharmacology, with tenure, and the Pfizer Upjohn Research Professor of Pharmacology. Since joining the Medical School, Dr. Hastings has been appointed as the director of the new M-RNA Therapeutics program within the Biosciences Initiative Center for RNA Biomedicine at the University of Michigan.

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 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.

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 section 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 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.

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.

We are very pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Michelle L. Hastings, Ph.D. as professor of medicinal chemistry, without tenure, College of Pharmacy, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

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

September 2023
On the recommendation of the dean of the Stephen M. Ross School of Business, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of David W. Hess as the Everett E. Berg Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Everett E. Berg Professorship in Business Administration was established in December 1987 by Everett E. Berg (AB LS&A ’47; MBA ’48). This endowed professorship was created to recognize the preeminence of the University of Michigan Business School in developing future business leaders, and to invest in the quality of teachers and teaching in business education. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

David Hess earned a B.A. in economics in 1992 from Grinnell College and a J.D. from the University of Iowa College of Law in 1995. He also earned a M.A. in applied economics and management science in 2000 and a Ph.D. in management, both from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. Professor Hess began his teaching career at Rutgers Business School and moved to the Ross School of Business as an assistant professor of business law in 2003. In 2006, he was awarded the one-year honor of being the Bank One Corporation Assistant Professor of Business Administration. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2010, and to professor in 2019.

Among other accomplishments, Professor Hess’ research sits at the intersection of law and ethics. His work considers the use of social reporting to move companies toward self-regulatory models, firm-level implementation of ethics and compliance programs, and the responsibility of international business to combat corruption, including violations of human rights. He serves as the co-president and as a board member of the Global Business and Human Rights Scholars Association and is a board member of the Teaching Business and Human Rights Forum. Professor Hess served as a reporter for the American Bar Association’s Task Force on Standards and...
Monitors. He has authored numerous book chapters and his research has been published in journals such as the *American Business Law Journal, Wisconsin Law Review, Georgetown Journal of International Affairs, Northwestern Journal of International Law and Business, Journal of Corporation Law, Virginia Law and Business Review, Journal of Business Ethics*, and *Business Ethics Quarterly*. He is a section editor at the *Journal of Business Ethics* and serves on the editorial boards of the *Business and Human Rights Journal* and *Business Ethics Quarterly*.

We are pleased to recommend the appointment of David W. Hess as the Everett E. Berg Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

**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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Jionghua Jin

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Industrial and Operations Engineering, with tenure, and Professor of Integrative Systems and Design, without tenure, College of Engineering

ADDITIONAL TITLE: A. Galip Ulsoy Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering

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

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Jionghua Jin as the A. Galip Ulsoy Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The A. Galip Ulsoy Collegiate Professorship in Engineering was established in July 2023 to honor A. Galip Ulsoy, a former faculty member of the college. The professorship is funded by the College of Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Jionghua (Judy) Jin received her B.S. (1984) and her M.S. (1987) in mechanical engineering from Southeast University, Nanjing, China. She received her Ph.D. (1999) in industrial and operations engineering from the University of Michigan. In 2000, Professor Jin was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Arizona. In 2005, she joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an associate professor. She was promoted to professor in 2011. Since 2010, she has served as the director of the Manufacturing Program in the Integrative Systems and Design Program within the College of Engineering.

Professor Jin’s research focuses on the interface of data science and quality engineering, with an emphasis on integrating heterogeneous system design and operations data for data-driven quality improvement decisions. Her data fusion methodology is developed through a synergistic fusion of engineering models with advanced statistics, machine learning, system control, and optimization methods. As a PI/co-PI, she has secured over $20 million in research grants, comprising federal grants from NSF, NIH, US-Army, DOE, FHWA, NHTSA, AFOSR, and various industrial projects supported by GM, Ford, Fiat-Chrysler, Honda, Samsung, Global Solar Energy, OG Technologies, among others. Her research has been implemented in various manufacturing industries including metal forming (stamping, forging, casting, rolling, and seamless tubes), automotive, electronics, solar energy systems, etc., which generate significant
economic and social impacts. Her research accomplishments have been recognized with numerous awards, including 17 Best Paper awards, Forging Achievement Award, the NSF CAREER Award, and the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE) Award.

Professor Jin currently serves as the editor for *IISE Transactions on Data Science, Quality, and Reliability*. She previously held positions as the vice president of the Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS), the president of the Quality Control and Reliability Engineering Division of the Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers (IISE), and the chair of INFORMS-Quality, Statistics and Reliability Section. She is a fellow of INFORMS, IISE, and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME).

Professor Jin’s academic achievements fully merit her appointment to this professorship. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Jionghua Jin as the A. Galip Ulsoy Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

RECOMMENDED BY: 

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Joint Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Roman Kapuscinski

CURRENT TITLES: Senior Associate Dean for Faculty and Research, John Psarouthakis Research Professor of Manufacturing Management, and Professor of Technology and Operations, with tenure, Stephen M. Ross School of Business

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Integrative Systems and Design, without tenure, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2023

On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering, and with the endorsement of the Stephen M. Ross School of Business, we are pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Roman Kapuscinski as professor of integrative systems and design, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

Roman Kapuscinski received his Ph.D. in manufacturing and operations systems from Carnegie Mellon University in 1996. Following graduation, he joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor. He was promoted to associate professor in 2004 and to professor in 2011. jodiem@med.umich.edu

Professor Kapuscinski’s research focuses on supply chain management and intersection of operational aspects with marketing and finance. This includes topics such as the value of information in coordinating the elements of supply chains, optimal design of production-inventory systems with capacity constraints, efficiency as a function of ownership within value chain analysis, and lead-time quotation. Recently his work extends to pricing in energy markets and the effect of customer behavior on operational decisions. In addition to his specialized publications, he wrote about joint engineering and business education and revitalizing education for manufacturing.

Professor Kapuscinski is an associate editor for Management Science and Operations Research and a past associate editor of Manufacturing and Service Operations Management. Six of his papers were finalists/winners of various paper competitions. He has been awarded Teaching Excellence Award three times by Ross students. Professor Kapuscinski has cooperated in research with several companies and advised many MBA and Tauber projects. He was co-director of the Tauber Institute for Global Operations, area chair for Technology and Operations and currently serves as the senior associate dean for faculty and research.
Professor Kapuscinski serves on the Global Automotive and Manufacturing Engineering Program Committee within the Integrative Systems and Design (ISD) program. He teaches Manufacturing and Supply Operations (MFG605) which is taken by many ISD students. In addition, he has advised several ISD projects. Professor Kapuscinski plans to contribute in the future to the development of a class on Global Supply Chain Resilience and he has served on ISD doctoral committees. Professor Kapuscinski has been interested in the operational aspects of the global supply chain. This aligns well with both educational and research directions of ISD. Furthermore, his recent active research in the area of using and locating batteries for automotive and non-automotive settings makes him a good fit for an appointment in ISD.

With this joint appointment, Professor Kapuscinski is ideally suited to assist the Integrative Systems and Design Program by his active involvement with research and students. We are pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Roman Kapuscinski as professor of integrative systems and design, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Martin E. Katz

CURRENT TITLES: Gwendolyn Koldofsky Distinguished University Professor of Music, Earl V. Moore Collegiate Professor of Music, and Professor of Music, with tenure, School of Music, Theatre & Dance

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Artur Schnabel Collegiate Professor of Music in Piano, School of Music, Theatre & Dance

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

With the approval of the School of Music, Theatre & Dance Executive Committee, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Martin E. Katz as the Artur Schnabel Collegiate Professor of Music in Piano, School of Music, Theatre & Dance, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Artur Schnabel Collegiate Professorship in Music in Piano was established in July 1996 to honor the distinguished Austrian pianist and teacher, Artur Schnabel. This professorship is intended to support a distinguished and internationally known member of our piano faculty. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Martin Katz earned a Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Southern California in 1966. Since that time, he has enjoyed a prominent career performing in concerts around the world with some of the world’s most celebrated vocalists including Marilyn Horne, Frederica von Stade, Kiri Te Kanawa, Kathleen Battle, Jose Carreras, and Cecilia Bartoli. Professor Katz was dubbed “dean of accompanists” by The Los Angeles Times, and was the recipient of Musical America’s “Accompanist of the Year” award in 1998. He has performed innumerable recitals at Carnegie Hall, the Salzburg Festival, has toured in Australia and Japan, and has performed at La Scala, the Paris Opera, and the Edinburgh Festival. His concerts are frequently broadcast both nationally and internationally. In addition to his prestigious performing career, Professor Katz continues to be one of the school’s most eminent educators, providing instruction to a wide range of piano and vocal artists, and he is a frequent conductor of the school’s opera productions. In 2017, Professor Katz was appointed as the Gwendolyn Koldofsky Distinguished University Professor of Music.
Professor Martin Katz’s extraordinary contributions and impact on the school, its programs, and our students are profound and lasting. We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Martin E. Katz as the Artur Schnabel Collegiate Professor of Music in Piano, School of Music, Theatre & Dance, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

Recommended by:  

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David Gier Laurie K. McCauely
Paul Boylan Collegiate Professor of Music Provost and Executive Vice
and Dean, School of Music, Theatre & Dance President for Academic Affairs

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Annette S. Kim, M.D., Ph.D.

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Henry Clay Bryant Professor of Pathology, Medical School

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

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 Annette S. Kim, M.D., Ph.D. as the Henry Clay Bryant Professor of Pathology, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Henry Clay Bryant Professorship in Pathology was established in June 2011 by the estate of Henry Clay Bryant, M.D., Ph.D. and with funds from the Department of Pathology to support translational research. Henry Clay Bryant received his M.D. in 1940, and his Ph.D. in pathology in 1949 from the University of Michigan. He held several academic positions at the University of Michigan and was the primary owner and chief of pathology of the Physicians’ Clinical Laboratory of Ann Arbor. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Annette S. Kim received her M.D. from Harvard Medical School and Ph.D. from Harvard University in 1998. She completed her residency training in clinical pathology at the University of Pennsylvania in 2006 and fellowship training in Hematopathology and Clinical Pathology at the University of Pennsylvania. Upon completion of residency and fellowship training in 2008, Dr. Kim joined the faculty at the Vanderbilt University Medical Center, and in 2015, joined the faculty at Brigham and Women’s Hospital where she served as the director of the Center of Advanced Molecular Diagnostics Translation Biomarker Core. Dr. Kim joined the University of Michigan faculty on July 1, 2023. She has been appointed as a clinical professor and director of the Division of Molecular and Genomic Pathology.

Dr. Kim has received many honors including: Paul E. Strandjord Young Investigator Award, Academic of Clinical Laboratory Physicians and Scientists (2008), James D. Griffin, MD, Medical Oncology Team Science Award, Dana Farber Cancer Institute (2018) and the 2020 Partners in Excellence Award, Optimizing Collaboration, Partners Healthcare System. Dr. Kim is board certified in clinical pathology and hematology. As the director of the Division of Molecular and Genomic Pathology, she will provide administrative leadership for Molecular Pathology and respective subspecialities, establishing short- and long-term goals, developing strategic plans and implementing those plans. Dr. Kim brings international recognition as a leader in her fields, has
lectured widely and published 97 peer-reviewed articles, five book chapters and 183+ abstracts/posters.

Dr. Kim is nationally and internationally recognized for her diagnostic expertise, scholarly productivity, dedicated teaching. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Annette S. Kim, M.D., Ph.D. as the Henry Clay Bryant Professor of Pathology, 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

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Jun Hee Kim, Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, with tenure, and Professor of Cellular and Developmental Biology, without tenure, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Merle Lawrence Collegiate Professor of Otolaryngology Research, Medical School

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

On the recommendation of Mark E. Prince, M.D., the Charles J. Krause, M.D. Collegiate Professor and chair of the Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Jun Hee Kim, Ph.D. as the Merle Lawrence Collegiate Professor of Otolaryngology Research, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Merle Lawrence Collegiate Professorship in Otolaryngology Research was established in March 2019 through gifts from family, friends, and colleagues of Dr. Lawrence. It is intended to encourage collaboration with gifted scientists throughout the world and facilitate development and support of new research strategies. The holder will be a faculty member in the Department of Otolaryngology–Head and Neck Surgery. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

Jun Hee Kim earned her Ph.D. from Sungkyunkwan University Medical School in Suwon, South Korea in 2004. She completed a post-doctoral research fellowship at Freiberg University in Freiberg, Germany in 2004 and a post-doctoral research fellowship at Vollum Institute, Oregon Health & Science University in 2010. Dr. Kim was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Texas at San Antonio in 2010, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2017, and to professor, with tenure, in 2022. Dr. Kim joined our faculty in 2023 as a professor, with tenure, in the Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery and has an additional appointment with the Department of Cell and Developmental Biology. Her research program investigates the mechanisms underlying auditory deficits related to neurodevelopmental and neurodegenerative disorders. Her long-term goal is to contribute to the development of novel treatments to treat deafness and communication disorders.
Dr. Kim has been highly successful in supporting her research through extramural funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and other sponsors, such as the Department of Defense. She has authored 32 peer-reviewed publications in high-impact journals. She has been invited on 41 occasions to deliver extramural talks regionally, nationally, and internationally.

Dr. Kim is an exceptional researcher whose focus aligns closely with the intent of this prestigious professorship. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Jun Hee Kim, Ph.D. as the Merle Lawrence Collegiate Professor of Otolaryngology Research, 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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Stuart A. Kirsch

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Roy A. Rappaport Collegiate Professor of Anthropology, 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 Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Stuart A. Kirsch as the Roy A. Rappaport Collegiate Professor of Anthropology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

This professorship was established in the Provost Office and was named the Roy A. Rappaport Collegiate Professorship in Anthropology in July 2023. Roy A. Rappaport was a faculty member at the University of Michigan from 1965 until his death in 1997. A stipend funded from college resources accompanies this professorship. Appointment periods may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Stuart Kirsch received his Bachelor of Arts from George Washington University in 1982 and earned his doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania in 1991. Following an appointment as a visiting assistant professor at Mount Holyoke College (1991-1995), Professor Kirsch joined our faculty as a visiting assistant professor in 1995. He became an assistant professor in 2003, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2007, and to professor in 2014.

Professor Kirsch is an internationally renowned scholar who specializes in environmental anthropology. He has made defining contributions to the practice of engaged anthropology, including his collaboration with multiple indigenous communities in the Pacific and the Amazon which resulted in both practical interventions and academic publications. His longstanding contributions to the field make him one of its leading figures and perhaps its most distinguished contemporary practitioner. Professor Kirsch boasts a publication record that includes nine articles in top-ranked journals over the past three years, three special issues since 2010, three books with top university presses since 2006, and over fifty-five journal articles and book chapters overall. Many of his articles have been translated into other languages, including Spanish, French, and Indonesian, and he recently received a request by a publisher to translate...
his book *Engaged Anthropology: Politics Beyond the Text* (University of California Press, 2018) into Russian. In addition to his work with indigenous leaders, he has played key roles as an advisor to lawyers in multiple lawsuits focused on environmental problems—especially on the consequences of small and large-scale mining, as well as indigenous land rights—and has collaborated with engineers who design equipment for the mining industry to reduce their environmental impacts. In recent years, Professor Kirsch has shifted his attention to focus on climate change issues, traveling to the Solomon Islands, Fiji, and the Marshall Islands to better understand the challenges posed to Pacific Island nations and to Berlin, where he learned about the dynamics of UN mechanisms to address climate change problems. He is one of the department’s most prolific grant recipients and his work has been supported by fellowships and grants from several important agencies, including a 2021 five-year $1 million grant from the NOMIS Foundation in Switzerland, which he is using towards research on the transition to the post-carbon economy needed to meet the goals of the Paris Climate Agreement. Professor Kirsch’s domestic and international reputation is evident in the many invitations he receives to collaborate with scholars and present his work at prestigious universities around the world. He is frequently invited to write afterwords to edited collections on topics as varied as the role of law in corporate accountability, the adjudication of indigenous rights, extractive conflicts in Latin America, activist aesthetics, and transparency. He has also contributed to graduate training at universities in Australia, Norway, and Switzerland. In May 2023, he was a visiting professor at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS) in Paris and Marseille.

Professor Kirsch is an engaging and thoughtful instructor and advisor. He has made important contributions to the curriculum in the Department of Anthropology, teaching everything from a large introductory course to graduate seminars. His courses, which have been described as “intellectually rich” and “tactically professionalizing,” attract a wide range of graduate students from other programs within LSA and across the university. At the peak of the pandemic, he offered an undergraduate seminar on “Covid-19 Futures” to students who subsequently published their papers in a special issue of the undergraduate journal *Crossroads*, which was awarded a Pamela J. Macintosh Special Research Award from the UM library. He also established and has taught the department’s post-fieldwork “Sociocultural Lab” for students writing their dissertations. In his time at UM, Professor Kirsch has supervised nineteen Ph.D. theses and served on the dissertation committee of another thirty-four graduate students from anthropology and other fields. Four of his advisees have received Proquest Dissertation awards for their dissertations, two of which he chaired or co-chaired, and another student whose Ph.D. thesis he supervised was awarded The American Association of Hispanics in Higher Education (AAAHE) Outstanding Dissertation Award. Many of Professor Kirsch’s students are first generation and underrepresented minorities, including several Native American students, and he is a sought-after thesis advisor of international students, many of whom face special challenges of language and acculturation. In affirmation of his commitment to graduate education, he received a 2018 Faculty Recognition Award from the Rackham Graduate School.

Professor Kirsch has provided exemplary service and leadership in the department, university, and profession. In addition to serving as the director of graduate studies from 2019-2020, he has chaired multiple search committees and tenure and promotion committees and served as subfield head and member of the department’s executive committee. Professor Kirsch has also contributed to our interdisciplinary degree programs, serving on the executive committee of the
Program in Anthropology and History and as a member of the supervisory committee in the School of Social Work many times. He frequently mentors our new faculty and collegiate fellows and has been a member of several LAUNCH committees. He has also been a member of the university’s Institutional Review Board and continues to be an ongoing consultant for them. Professor Kirsch’s service extends far beyond the university. He sits on editorial and advisory boards, reviews grant proposals, and writes for external tenure and promotion reviews, all while collaborating with numerous non-governmental organizations around the world in his capacity as a legal consultant and engaged scholar.

We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Stuart A. Kirsch as the Roy A. Rappaport Collegiate Professor of Anthropology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

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, President for Academic Affairs
and Education
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Ilya V. Kolmanovsky

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Aerospace Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Pierre T. Kabamba Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering

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

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Ilya V. Kolmanovsky as the Pierre T. Kabamba Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Pierre T. Kabamba Collegiate Professorship in Aerospace Engineering was established in July 2023 to honor Pierre Kabamba, a former faculty member of the college. The professorship is funded by the College of Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Ilya Kolmanovsky received his M.S. in aerospace engineering in 1993 from the University of Michigan. He remained here to receive his M.A. in mathematics, and his Ph.D. in aerospace engineering in 1995. Following graduation, he completed a post-doctoral research fellowship with the Ford Research Laboratory at Ford Motor Company in 1996. He remained at Ford as a technical specialist until 2001 and then as a technical leader until 2009. In 2010, Professor Kolmanovsky joined the University of Michigan faculty as a professor. He was granted tenure in 2013.

Professor Kolmanovsky’s research in control theory has been advancing methods for protecting systems in different engineering domains from violating safety constraints during their operation. He has made significant contributions to the development of constraint enforcement schemes, such as reference governors and parameter governors, and of invariant/contractive set-based controllers. His research has led to Model Predictive Control (MPC) formulations with guaranteed closed loop properties that are effective in aerospace and automotive applications, to novel numerical algorithms for fast and reliable onboard optimization used in MPC, and to supervisory schemes for handling inexact optimization in MPC.

Professor Kolmanovsky’s research on control applications for aerospace systems has been focusing on developing and demonstrating novel capabilities for spacecraft autonomous
rendezvous and proximity operations and for spacecraft mission life extension through imaginative applications of control theory, including MPC. He has also been developing new methods for coordinated constrained control of aircraft gas turbine engines and their electrical power systems, and for load alleviation in flexible aircraft to help enable commercial airlines with improved fuel efficiency as well as innovative high altitude long endurance aerial platforms. As a researcher who has made significant and innovative contributions to applications of control and dynamic optimization in automotive engines and powertrain systems, Professor Kolmanovsky has more recently been developing approaches based on game theory to account for driver interactions in traffic for validation, verification, and path planning in automated driving applications. His research and publications have also been addressing control challenges in advanced diesel and free piston engines, and in electric and hybrid electric vehicles, while highlighting novel capabilities for emissions reduction and for coordinated energy and thermal management in connected and automated vehicles. He has had many collaborations with industry on these and other topics.

At the University of Michigan, Professor Kolmanovsky has been teaching courses in astrodynamics, flight and trajectory optimization, model predictive control, and control of aerospace vehicles. He is a fellow of The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and International Federation of Automatic Control (IFAC). His inventions are documented in 104 United States patents and in additional international patents. He has been elected a fellow of the National Academy of Inventors. A recipient of two Outstanding Paper Awards from IEEE Transactions on Control Systems Technology, he has been serving as its senior editor from January 2021, and is assuming the role of editor-in-chief of the journal beginning January 2024.

Professor Kolmanovsky’s academic achievements fully merit his appointment to this professorship. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Ilya V. Kolmanovsky as the Pierre T. Kabamba Collegiate Professor of Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

September 2023
On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Chemistry and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Kristin S. Koutmou as the Dow Early Career Professor of Chemistry, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through August 31, 2026.

As a result of a grant received from the Dow Corning Foundation, the Dow Corning Assistant Professorship in Chemistry was established in February 1989. The professorship was renamed the Dow Early Career Professorship in Chemistry in July 2023. This endowed faculty position was created with the intention of retaining or recruiting a distinguished junior professor in chemistry. Appointments to this professorship may be up to three years and are non-renewable.

Kristin Koutmou received her Bachelor of Science from the University Colorado, Denver in 2003 and earned her doctorate from the University of Michigan in 2009. Following post-doctoral fellowships at the University of Michigan (2009-2011) and Johns Hopkins School of Medicine (2011-2016), Professor Koutmou joined our faculty as an assistant professor in 2016 and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2023.

Professor Koutmou is a chemical biologist who specializes in ribonucleic acid (RNA) chemistry. She combines structural biology, mechanistic enzymology, and nucleoside biochemistry to answer questions about the origin and functional role of chemical modifications in RNA for protein synthesis. She is a 2020 Cottrell Scholar and a 2021 NSF CAREER awardee who has developed new methods for quantitative discovery of RNA modifications, probed the impacts of these modifications on function, and has studied mechanisms of how chemical modifications are installed. Professor Koutmou has published nine original research papers and two review articles and currently has two corresponding author papers and two collaborative papers in revision, as well as one review article under review. Her lab continues to receive robust funding and an important application of her work is that her methods allow for quantitative assays of RNA modifications in SARS-CoV-2 for high-speed and high-accuracy detection.
Professor Koutmou is an excellent teacher and mentor. She has contributed to the undergraduate biochemistry sequence through her course offerings of “Fundamentals in Biochemistry” and “Chemical Biology.” She has mentored a post-doctoral fellow, five graduate students, and four undergraduate students and currently mentors a group of eight graduate students, a lab manager, and an undergraduate student.

Professor Koutmou has made strong contributions to service within the department and the national scientific community. She is the associate director of the Program in Chemical Biology, co-director of the NIH T32 Chemistry-Biology Interface Training Program, faculty instructional coach, and NextProf faculty mentor. She has been a conscientious member of several committees, including the graduate admissions committee, executive safety committee, space committee, and curriculum committee. In addition to her regular service as a manuscript and proposal reviewer, Professor Koutmou is the chair of membership for the RNA society and elected vice co-chair of the Gordon Research Conference on RNA Editing.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Kristin S. Koutmou as the Dow Early Career Professor of Chemistry, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through August 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

RECOMMENDATIONENDORSED BY:

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

September 2023
On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering, I am pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Christian M. Lastoskie as associate professor of integrative systems and design, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

Christian Lastoskie received his B.S. in chemical engineering in 1989 from the University of Delaware. He received his Ph.D. in chemical engineering in 1994 from Cornell University. Following graduation, he was with the Sandia National Laboratories as a senior member of the technical staff. He joined the faculty at Michigan State University as an assistant professor in 1996. He joined the University of Michigan as an associate professor in 2001. Professor Lastoskie served as the program director of the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering’s Environmental & Water Resources Engineering group from 2014 to 2022.

Professor Lastoskie conducts research on the impact of energy production and consumption on the environment, and the development of technologies to reduce pollutant emissions. Specific topics of his research include carbon capture and storage using novel synthetic adsorbents, and life cycle assessment of the environmental impacts of lithium ion battery manufacture and use in electric vehicles. He has authored seminal publications on the characterization of porous materials using atomistic simulation. He uses high performance computing for the physics-inspired molecular modeling and design of novel materials for chemical separations and energy storage. His research sponsors include the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health, the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, and industrial partners. Professor Lastoskie teaches courses on sustainability engineering principles, thermodynamics, environmental process engineering, and energy infrastructure systems.

Professor Lastoskie is a recipient of the NSF CAREER award and the 2008 Japan Carbon Award for Innovative Research. He was the 2012 chair of the Environmental Division of the American Institute for Chemical Engineers.
With this additional appointment, Professor Lastoskie is ideally suited to assist the Integrative Systems and Design Program with research and students. We are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Christian M. Lastoskie as associate professor of integrative systems and design, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

September 2023
On the recommendation of the dean of the Stephen M. Ross School of Business, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Stephen G. Leider as the Dale L. Dykema Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Dale L. Dykema Professorship in Business Administration was established in September 2015. The purpose of the professorship is to increase knowledge and understanding of business and economic theory and practice through instruction and research in this and related fields. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Stephen Leider earned a B.A. in economics and political science from Case Western Reserve University in 2003. He then earned a M.A. (2006) and Ph.D. (2009) in business economics from Harvard University. Upon completion of his Ph.D., Professor Leider joined the University of Michigan Ross School of Business as an assistant professor of technology and operations. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2017, and to professor in 2020.

Professor Leider is a leading scholar in the field of behavioral operations. He has made methodological contributions in several areas, including experimentally measuring social networks, modeling reciprocity in principal-agent settings, analyzing innovation tasks with an implementation component, experimentally simulating service consumption decisions, and studying free-form bargaining in supply chains. He has also studied a variety of operational management problems, including contracting in supply chains, negotiation in supply chains, innovation process design, and facilitating the transfer of knowledge. He has published twenty-four papers, with many in the most prestigious journals in the field, and he also co-edited a handbook on behavioral operations. As a leading scholar and mentor in the field of behavioral operations, Professor Leider co-founded and co-teaches a behavioral operations summer school for the field’s Ph.D. students from across numerous institutions. For his scholarship and

We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Stephen G. Leider as the Dale L. Dykema Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

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

September 2023
With the approval of the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Jie Li as the Rodney C. Ewing Collegiate Professor of Earth and Planetary Sciences, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

This professorship was established in the Provost Office and was named the Rodney C. Ewing Collegiate Professorship in Earth and Planetary Sciences in July 2023. Rodney C. Ewing was a faculty member at the University of Michigan from 1997 until his retirement in 2014. A stipend funded from college resources accompanies this professorship. Appointment periods may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Jie Li received her Bachelor of Science from the University of Science and Technology of China in 1992. She then attended Harvard University where she earned her Master of Arts in 1997 and her doctorate in 1998. She was a Gilbert Post-doctoral Fellow (1998-2000) and Post-doctoral Associate (2000-2003) at the Carnegie Institution for Science before joining the faculty at the University of Illinois as an assistant professor in 2003. She was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2009. She joined our faculty as an associate professor in 2010 and was promoted to professor in 2016.

Professor Li is a mineral physicist who has made numerous fundamental contributions to Earth and planetary sciences through high-pressure experiments and cross-disciplinary synthesis. She is internationally recognized for her contributions to understanding core formation and planetary differentiation. The impact of her research is reflected in the high number of citations and corresponding high h-index of 37, as well as her election as a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and of the Mineralogical Society of America. She has also received a Kavli Fellowship from the National Academy of Sciences, and was a Tharp Fellow at Columbia University. She has published eighty peer-reviewed articles, many in high-
impact journals including *Nature, Science Advances,* and *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.* Professor Li has maintained a strong rate of research funding through NSF, NASA, DOE, and foundation grants, and has given more than 100 invited lectures in many countries including the U.S., Japan, China, Germany, France, Switzerland, Czech Republic, and Australia. Through creative and rigorous work, Professor Li’s research has illuminated Earth’s inner workings, revealed many hidden connections between the planet’s surface processes and internal dynamics, and advanced our understanding of its evolution into an inhabited world.

Professor Li is a dedicated and engaged teacher and mentor. She offers a range of courses, from first-year seminars and mini-courses to graduate-level courses. Each year she teaches “Earth Materials,” the core course for the department’s majors that is known for being one of the most challenging courses to teach due to the vast complexity and diversity of minerals. As part of this course, Professor Li leads field trips to the Harding Pegmatite Mine in New Mexico, the copper mines in the upper peninsula of Michigan, and the annual Great Detroit Gem, Mineral, and Fossil show to provide students with real-world experiences with minerals. A clear reflection of Professor Li’s dedication to empower students and share the wonders of the mineral kingdom in this course are the strong, positive student evaluations she receives, up to 4.9/5.0 for both the course and instructor. She also involves undergraduate students in her research and has hosted more than forty undergraduate research assistants and students working on senior theses. She provides hands-on laboratory-based research opportunities for undergraduates to learn state-of-the-art experimental techniques at extreme high-pressure and high-temperature conditions. Several undergraduates have successfully completed honor’s theses in her lab and have gone on to pursue Ph.D. degrees at top universities including MIT, UCLA, and Harvard. A few of her students have co-authored peer-reviewed science papers from work conducted in Professor Li’s lab. She has also advised fourteen Ph.D. and master’s students and seven post-doctoral scholars. Some of her mentees are now tenured professors or established researchers in the U.S. or China.

Professor Li has served her department and field in several ways. Most notably she has been elected twice to serve on the department executive committee, which reflects the respect of her faculty colleagues. Her university service includes her current term on the executive committee of the Sweetland Center for Writing. Her most time-intensive service has been related to leadership roles in professional organizations that promote interdisciplinary research and outreach to students and early-career scientists, such as the Cooperative Institute for Dynamic Earth Research, the Consortium for Materials Properties Research, and the Mineral and Rock Physics Division of the American Geophysical Union. She also reviews proposals and edit articles for *Eos,* the award-winning science news magazine published by AGU. From 2017-2020, Professor Li led the synthesis project “Earth in Five Reactions – E5R,” sponsored by the Sloan Foundation, to identify the key reactions governing the formation and evolution of the living Earth and to study how reactions control the movement of life’s ingredients. During this time, she organized a multi-disciplinary international symposium, co-delivered a tutorial at the AGU fall meeting, and edited a special collection in *American Mineralogist.* Through these activities, Professor Li has played a key role in promoting interactions among geologists and biologists from all over the world, in the quest to understand the development of habitability on Earth and other planets.
We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Jie Li as the Rodney C. Ewing Collegiate Professor of Earth and Planetary Sciences, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

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

September 2023
The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Henry X. Liu as the Bruce D. Greenshields Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Bruce D. Greenshields Collegiate Professorship in Engineering was established in July 2023 to honor Bruce D. Greenshields, a former faculty member at the University of Michigan. The professorship is funded by the College of Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Henry Liu received his B.E. in 1993 in automotive engineering from the Tsinghua University, China. He received his Ph.D. in civil and environmental engineering in 2000 from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. Following a post-doctoral research fellowship in 2003 with the University of California, Berkeley, Professor Liu was appointed as an assistant professor at Utah State University. He was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities in 2005. He was promoted to associate professor in 2011. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as a professor in 2014. He has also held an appointment as a research professor with the UM Transportation Research Institute since 2014. In addition, he has served as the director of the Center for Connected and Automated Transportation since 2016 and as the director of Mcity since January 2022. Professor Liu founded the Transportation Engineering Program in the Civil and Environmental Engineering Department, which currently has four tenure and tenure track faculty members. From 2017 to 2019, Professor Liu served as 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, he 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 cyber-physical 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 2,300 signalized intersections. OSaaS has also been implemented in the City of Birmingham, Michigan with 32 signalized intersections. Professor Liu and his team also developed the patented augmented reality system as well as the naturalistic and adversarial driving environment simulation for training and testing autonomous vehicles. 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 Traffic Safety Administration (NHSTA). His work on safety validation of autonomous vehicles has been published in Nature and featured as the cover story. 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 Wall Street Journal, Forbes, Science Daily, Tech Xplore, CNBC, WXYZ, among others. In 2019, he was invited to testify on the national transportation research agenda in front of the US House Subcommittee on Research and Technology. Professor Liu has nurtured a new generation of scholars, and some of his Ph.D. students and postdocs have joined first class universities including Columbia University, Purdue University, RPI, and Tsinghua University. Professor Liu is the managing editor of the Journal of Intelligent Transportation Systems and a board member for the ITS America.

Professor Liu’s academic achievements fully merit his appointment to this professorship. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Henry X. Liu as the Bruce D. Greenshields Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

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

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

September 2023
I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Mary-Ann Mycek as the William and Valerie Hall Department Chair of Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering and Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 30, 2028.

Mary-Ann Mycek received her B.S. in physics (highest honors) from the Rochester Institute of Technology in 1989. She received her M.A. and Ph.D. in physics from the University of California at Berkeley in 1991 and 1995, respectively. Immediately following graduation, she held a post-doctoral research fellowship in dermatology at the Harvard Medical School and Massachusetts General Hospital. She was appointed as an assistant professor at Dartmouth College in 1998. Professor Mycek joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an associate professor in 2003 and was awarded tenure in 2006. She was promoted to professor in 2012. She was appointed the associate dean for graduate education in the College of Engineering (CoE) at the University of Michigan in 2016. In 2018, her responsibilities were expanded to include online and professional engineering education and she was appointed the associate dean for graduate and professional education. In 2021, she was appointed the interim chair in the Department of Biomedical Engineering (BME), a joint department in the College of Engineering and the Medical School.

As the associate dean for graduate and professional education, Professor Mycek served as the chief academic officer for graduate education in CoE and was responsible for the education and welfare of over 3,600 CoE Master’s and Ph.D. students engaged in over 60 graduate engineering degree programs. She was also responsible for the education and welfare of over 1,900 CoE online students and lifelong professional education learners. As associate dean, she created and implemented strategic initiatives and assessment plans related to CoE graduate, online, and professional education. In 2018, she established the NextProf Nexus partnership with the University of California, Berkeley and Georgia Tech. The partnership expanded access to CoE’s NextProf Future Faculty Workshop, which is designed to encourage graduate students and postdoctoral fellows in traditionally underrepresented demographic groups to pursue academic careers. In 2019, she launched Nexus, the CoE’s home for online and professional engineering
education. Established just prior to the pandemic, Nexus provided the CoE both strategic and operational advantages during the remote-learning transition.

As the interim chair of BME, Professor Mycek was responsible for the education and welfare of over 650 BME undergraduate and graduate students, while 13 new faculty members joined the department. She also served as the principal investigator for the Coulter Translational Research Partnership Program in BME – a $20M endowed program with a goal of creating a powerhouse of innovation in BME. The BME Coulter Program supports research directed at promising technologies within research laboratories that are progressing towards commercial development and clinical practice. As the interim chair, Professor Mycek supported the development and implementation of several academic initiatives, including launching the first Master’s of Engineering (MEng) degree program in BME, initiating the ongoing BME Exchange networking program for students, alumni, and industry partners, and developing and launching BME Summer Workshops @ Michigan – an annual series on focused translational research topics for global participants hosted on-site by BME faculty, staff, and students.

Professor Mycek’s translational (“bench to bedside”) research program involves developing and applying methods of optical science and engineering to quantitatively probe living cells and tissues, with the long-term goal of impacting patient care via the development of non- and minimally invasive biophotonic diagnostic technologies. The research strategy she employs includes optical molecular imaging, clinical optical diagnostics, and computational modeling for quantitative tissue diagnostics, with diverse applications including early cancer detection, tissue engineering, and regenerative medicine. The scope and significance of her contributions to science and engineering are evidenced by her peer-reviewed publications (over 175 journal articles, book chapters, and conference proceedings), scientific presentations (over 165 invited and contributed talks and posters), and intellectual property (seven issued U.S. patents).

Professor Mycek’s research program and technical contributions to research and education in the sciences and engineering have been recognized throughout her faculty career. As an assistant professor at Dartmouth College, she was awarded a Career Enhancement Fellowship from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, a Mentor Recognition Award from the Women in Science Program, and she was named the Edward and Joan Foley Faculty Fellow. For five years, she was a course faculty member in the Analytical and Quantitative Light Microscopy workshop held at the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, MA. For four years, she served as a Microscopic Imaging and Spectroscopy Study Section Member for the Center for Scientific Review at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD. She served as an associate editor for the Journal of Biomedical Optics for 10 years and currently serves as an editorial board member for Scientific Reports.

At Michigan, Professor Mycek was honored to receive the Award for Outstanding Accomplishment from the BME Department and to be elected by her faculty peers to the executive board of the Rackham Graduate School. She has served as an associate chair of the BME Department twice: first as the director of the BME Graduate Programs and later as the associate chair for Translational Research, where she assisted in management of the Coulter Translational Research Partnership Program. In 2014, she was honored to be nominated by her peers and elected to membership in two societies: Sigma Xi – The Scientific Research Society
and the College of Fellows of the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering (AIMBE), a group of outstanding bioengineers representing the top 2% of the medical and biological engineering community in academia, industry and government. She was honored to be named a fellow of SPIE – The International Society for Optics and Photonics in 2017.

Professor Mycek has demonstrated that she possesses the experience, ability, and commitment to fulfill the important responsibilities of a department chair in the College of Engineering. I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Mary-Ann Mycek as the William and Valerie Hall Department Chair of Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering and Medical School, effective September 1, 2023 through August 30, 2028.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

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

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Lisa A. Nakamura

CURRENT TITLES: Gwendolyn Calvert Baker Collegiate Professor of American Culture and Screen Arts, Professor of American Culture, with tenure, Professor of Film, Television, and Media, without tenure, Professor of English Language and Literature, without tenure, and Professor of Women’s and Gender Studies, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 26, 2024

On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Digital Studies Institute and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Lisa A. Nakamura as professor in the Digital Studies Institute, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 26, 2024.

Lisa Nakamura received her Bachelor of Arts from Reed College in 1987. She attended City University of New York where she completed her Master of Philosophy in 1993 and her doctorate in 1996. She began her instructional career as an assistant professor at Sonoma State University in 1996 and was appointed as an assistant professor at the University of Wisconsin–Madison in 2001. She joined the faculty at the University of Illinois as an associate professor, with tenure, in 2006, and was promoted to professor in 2007. Professor Nakamura joined our faculty as a professor in 2012.

Professor Nakamura is an eminent scholar of American studies, digital studies, and ethnic studies, nationally and internationally. Her research focuses on online racism and sexism in video games, social media, and online communities. Her work has been published in leading journals such as Film Quarterly, Social Text, Journal of Visual Culture, New Media & Society, International Journal of Communication, and After/Image, and she is making significant progress on her book Women of Color and the Internet, which is under contract with University of Minnesota Press. She is in great demand as a speaker, and since 2018 has given over nineteen talks around the world, including one named lecture, seven keynote addresses, and three plenary talks. She is also the principal investigator for the $4.8 million-dollar Mellon Foundation funded DISCO (Digital Inquiry, Speculation, Collaboration, and Optimism) Network, disconetwork.org.
Professor Nakamura is the founding director of the university’s Digital Studies Institute (2018-2023), and her leadership has been essential to putting UM on the map when it comes to digital studies. She has developed signature classes such as “Race and Video Games” and has provided guidance for the development of a range of new courses by other faculty. She continues to be a strong mentor and advisor of graduate and undergraduate students. In 2021, she received the John H. D’Arms Award Faculty Award for Distinguished Graduate Mentoring in the Humanities.

Professor Nakamura’s service to the university is outstanding. She has served as a member of the Provost’s Advisory Committee (2020-2021), the Humanities Collaboratory Steering Committee (2019-2021), the LSA Executive Committee (2018-2020), the Provost Office’s AVMR (Augmented and Virtual Reality) Steering Committee (2018-2019), and the Taubman School of Architecture and Design Tenure and Promotion Committee (2018, 2021, 2022). In January 2020, she gave a talk titled “Feminist Data Manifest-No” at the Data Security Conference held at Rackham Auditorium. At the department level, she has chaired tenure and promotion committees and third-year review committees, and participated actively in departmental decision-making.

We are very pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Lisa A. Nakamura as professor in the Digital Studies Institute, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 26, 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

September 2023
With the approval of the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Robin M. Queen as the Sarah G. Thomason Collegiate Professor of Linguistics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

This professorship was established in the Provost Office and was named the Sarah G. Thomason Collegiate Professorship in Linguistics in July 2023. Sarah G. Thomason was a faculty member at the University of Michigan from 1999 until her retirement in 2021. A stipend funded from college resources accompanies this professorship. Appointment periods may be up to five years and may be renewed.

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 of German and linguistics in 1999 and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2006 and to professor in 2014. In 2012, she received an additional appointment in the Department of English Language and Literature.

Professor Queen is a sociolinguist whose field-defining research is concerned with understanding the complex relationship between language and society. Her research has focused on the central question of how language is used by speakers to create and perform their social identities, and to signal their belonging to (or exclusion from) specific social groups. She has also explored how this connection between language and social identity can be used as a tool of exclusion and discrimination. Therefore, in addition to contributing to linguistic theory, her research also
directly addresses critical societal issues connected to diversity, equity, and inclusion. Across her research career, she has repeatedly ventured into previously unexplored areas, and in the process has taken the lead in opening up new areas of research. She is the author of *Vox Popular: The Surprising Life of Language in the Mass Media* (Wiley, 2015) and her work has been published in journals such as *Language*, the *Journal of English Linguistics*, the *Journal of Language and Sexuality*, and *American Speech*. Professor Queen takes the responsibility of translating her research to the public seriously. She writes for venues such as *The Conversation* and gives media interviews on her research on language, society, and discrimination. She also publishes regularly on aspects of the academic profession, with essay topics ranging from how to navigate the academic advising relationship, demystifying the academic publication process, to how linguistics can contribute to the common good.

Professor Queen is a creative and outstanding mentor and instructor who routinely receives teaching evaluation scores in the top quartile, putting her among the most successful instructors in the Department of Linguistics. She is continually innovating her student-centered approach to teaching in ways that decenter the instructor and place agency in students’ hands. She is also an early adopter of technology in teaching, regularly using multimedia, collaborative tools, and alternative creative tools to foster student learning, and because of her willingness to experiment and leverage new approaches to maximize student success, she is regularly called upon to serve on panels and committees focused on pedagogical challenges and innovations. Professor Queen has made remarkable contributions to curriculum development and to the department’s pedagogical mission. She has taught as many as twenty-nine different courses, many of which she designed and have become staples of the curriculum. Her signature course is Ling 370: Language and Discrimination, a course that she developed from a small enrollment to now regularly enrolling 150 students. This course is taken by students from across the college to meet the race and ethnicity requirement and has transformed how thousands of students think about language use and discrimination. Professor Queen has an impressive student mentoring record, having chaired or co-chaired ten dissertation committees with three more in progress, and served on thirty-six committees across many departments. She has also advised fourteen undergraduate honors theses and regularly works with both graduate and undergraduate students on independent research projects. 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 contributions to the teaching mission of the college were recognized in 2010 when she was appointed as an Arthur F. Thurnau Professor.

Professor Queen’s service record is a demonstration of her commitment to her fields and the university. She has served her home Department of Linguistics in a variety of capacities, including as chair and as director of both graduate and undergraduate studies. She is also currently serving as chair of the Department of Communication and Media, a position she has held since January of 2022. 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 pleased to recommend the appointment of Robin M. Queen as the Sarah G. Thomason Collegiate Professor of Linguistics, 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

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment and Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Phillip E. Rodgers, MD

CURRENT TITLES: Clinical Professor, Department of Family Medicine, and Clinical Professor, Department of Internal Medicine, Medical School

ADDITIONAL TITLES: Chair, Department of Family Medicine, and George A. Dean, M.D. Chair of Family Medicine, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Phillip E. Rodgers, M.D. as chair, Department of Family Medicine, effective September 1, 2023, and as the George A. Dean, M.D. Chair of Family Medicine, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028.

Phillip Rodgers obtained his medical degree from the University of Toledo in 1995. After completing a family medicine residency at the University of Michigan in 1998, he joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as a clinical instructor. In the Department of Family Medicine, he rose through the ranks and was promoted to professor in 2019. In 2013, he was additionally appointed in the Department of Internal Medicine.

Dr. Rodger’s scholarly work has focused on end-of-life decision making and advanced care planning as it relates to billing. He has been involved extensively in administrative activities. Dr. Rodgers was the founding director of the palliative care program at Michigan Medicine. A roll he served in from 2004-2012. He has also served as the medical director of the adult palliative care consultation service since 2005 and as the director of faculty development for the Department of Family Medicine since 2021. Dr. Rodgers has been a dedicated mentor and exceptional teacher. He served as the associate director of the palliative medicine fellowship from 2007-2015. He has received numerous medical student and resident teaching awards.
Dr. Rodgers has made significant contributions to the Medical School through his patient care, administrative, and teaching roles. He has demonstrated his leadership abilities and is an excellent candidate to serve in this administrative capacity. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Phillip E. Rodgers, M.D. as chair, Department of Family Medicine, effective September 1, 2023, and as the George A. Dean, M.D. Chair of Family Medicine, Medical School, effective September 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

August 2023

INTERIM APPROVAL
GRANTED
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Anthony Rosenzweig, M.D.

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Pharmacology, without tenure, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

On the recommendation of Lori L. Isom, Ph.D., Maurice H. Seevers Professor and chair of the Department of Pharmacology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, we are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Anthony Rosenzweig, M.D. as professor of pharmacology, without tenure, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023.

Dr. Rosenzweig has had a phenomenal career, with many contributions to teaching, research, and service that have led to the success of trainees and advancements in our understanding of how exercise influences recovery from brain/heart ischemia. In 2022, Dr. Rosenzweig joined the University of Michigan as a professor and is the inaugural director of the newly established Institute for Heart and Brain Health.

Dr. Rosenzweig’s research expertise is in the translational implications of basic research. He is funded by several National Institutes of Health grants, a American Heart Associate Merit Award and the Harrington Discovery Institute. He is a co-inventor on novel approaches to cardiovascular diagnosis and therapy currently licensed or in clinical trials. He has seven patents to his name, with an additional two pending. He is also the scientific founder and scientific advisory board member of a biotech startup company that was recently funded. He has published more than 200 peer-reviewed publications. He has been invited on numerous occasions to deliver extramural talks about his research, regionally, nationally, and internationally, including China, France, Finland, Germany, Greece, Japan, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, and South Korea.

Dr. Rosenzweig is a superb teacher who, throughout his career, has provided both clinical and research expertise to trainees, as well as providing didactic education. He has taught undergraduate, graduate, medical students, residents, post-doctoral research fellows, and clinical fellows. Many of his mentees have gone on to full-time academic faculty positions with substantial research commitments and, of these, many hold major leadership positions. He has been nominated for numerous teaching awards.
Dr. Rosenzweig has a very extensive service record. He has served in numerous leadership positions throughout his career, is an associate editor of the *New England Journal of Medicine*, was a trustee of the Harvard Clinical Research Institute, as well was the director of cardiovascular research and associate chief of cardiology at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. Dr. Rosenzweig is also extremely active in service at the national level, particularly with the American Heart Association. He holds membership in several national organizations and currently serves as an ad-hoc reviewer for numerous industry-leading journals. He has served on the editorial boards of several prominent scientific journals.

With this additional appointment, Dr. Rosenzweig will participate in the Department of Pharmacology programs, collaborate with department investigators, partner around programmatic initiatives, as well as teach and mentor pharmacology graduate students and post-doctoral fellows. Additionally, he will contribute to the didactic teaching of cardiovascular pathophysiology to graduate students in the Department of Pharmacology. Dr. Rosenzweig’s will collaborate research efforts with pharmacology colleagues who share similar interests in translational cardiovascular pharmacology and therapeutics. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the additional appointment of Anthony Rosenzweig, M.D. as professor of pharmacology, without tenure, Medical School, effective September 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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Research Professorship

NAME: Maxim V. Sytch

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Management and Organizations, with tenure, Stephen M. Ross School of Business

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Jack D. Sparks-Whirlpool Corporation Research Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business

TERM: Two Years, Non-Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025

On the recommendation of the dean of the Stephen M. Ross School of Business, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Maxim V. Sytch as the Jack D. Sparks-Whirlpool Corporation Research Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025.

The Jack D. Sparks-Whirlpool Research Professorship in Business Administration was established in December 1987 to honor Jack D. Sparks, retiring CEO of Whirlpool Corporation. The professorship has been generously funded by the Whirlpool Foundation and is designed to recognize distinguished scholars who have made important research contributions to their respective fields. Appointments to this professorship may be up to two years and is non-renewable.

Maxim Sytch earned his B.S.B. from Oklahoma City University - Moscow State University in 2000. He then earned a Ph.D. from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University in Management and Organizations in 2009. Upon completion of his Ph.D. in 2009, Professor Sytch joined the Ross School of Business as an assistant professor in management and organizations. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2014, and to professor in 2021.

Among other accomplishments, Professor Sytch is known as a world expert on the dynamics of the social structure of interorganizational relations (e.g., partnership ties and patent infringement lawsuits among organizations) and on their consequences for individual organizations and their exchanges. He also examines the implications of social structure for entire communities of organizations. His research has been published in top journals including Administrative Science Quarterly, Organization Science, and Academy of Management Journal. He has served on several editorial boards and recently completed a role as an associate editor at Administrative Science Quarterly from 2018-2022. His ideas have been highlighted in media outlets such as
Harvard Business Review, Sloan Management Review, California Management Review, BBC, and Businessweek. He was also named a 40 Best Business Professors under 40 in the World by Poets & Quants. He has won multiple teaching awards at the Ross School.

We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Maxim V. Sytch as the Jack D. Sparks-Whirlpool Corporation Research Professor of Business Administration, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Sharon F. Matasik
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

September 2023
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 Peter Todd, M.D., Ph.D. as the Chester and Anne Alecks Sackett Endowed Professor, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2028.

The Chester and Anne Alecks Sackett Endowed Professorship was established in July 2023 through a generous gift from Chester and Anne Alecks Sackett, to recognize the achievements of a faculty member within the Department of Neurology in the Movement Disorders Division. This professorship will support a faculty member with a primary appointment in the Department of Neurology. The appointment period may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Peter Todd received his Ph.D. degree in 2002, along with his M.D. in 2004 from the University of Wisconsin at Madison. He subsequently completed his post-doctoral training at the University of Michigan. After completing non-ACGME training in Movement Disorders and Neurogenetics in the Neurology department in 2009, Dr. Todd joined the faculty of the Department of Neurology in 2009 as a clinical lecturer of Neurology. He has since risen through the ranks and was ultimately appointed as Professor, with tenure, in 2021.

Dr. Todd’s clinical and research interests focus on inherited neurodegenerative disorders, particularly ataxias. Dr. Todd has a broad and highly impactful research program, ranging from work on fundamental mechanisms of neurodegeneration to the development of novel therapies. His laboratory is notable for its thorough use of a variety of model systems. He has an international reputation for his work on the mechanisms of Fragile X-Tremor-Ataxia Syndrome associated neurodegeneration and closely related work on other inherited ataxias. This work identified novel genetic mechanisms that are likely relevant to several neurodegenerative disorders. Dr. Todd’s group is attempting to exploit these findings to produce novel therapies. Dr. Todd’s research has consistently been very successful with extramural funding throughout his career, with numerous grants from multiple sources, including the NIH, the Michael J. Fox Foundation, and the Veteran’s Administration.
Dr. Todd is an active and highly regarded clinician. He is the co-director of the Fragile X Clinic, where he sees adult patients with all Fragile X-associated disorders, and he also serves as the co-director of the Michigan Multidisciplinary Ataxia Clinic. He is the director of the Michigan Clinical Neurogenetics Research Program, which focuses on improving our use and implementation of genetic and genomic approaches in clinical neurology and research. In addition, he is a valuable contributor to the VAAHS Neurology Service.

Dr. Todd’s bibliography lists 64 peer-reviewed research articles published in prominent journals, along with eight book chapters. Dr. Todd previously was appointed to the Bucky and Patti Harris Collegiate Professorship (2020-2023). He is presently Associate Chair for Research in the Neurology Department and on the Executive Committee for the Center for RNA Biomedicine. He is a standing member of the CMND Study Section, a member of the American Academy of Neurology Research Committee, and of the American Neurologic Association Professional Development Committee.

Dr. Todd is highly regarded as a teacher, researcher, educator, and mentor who promotes the Michigan Medicine core values of caring, innovation, inclusion, integrity, and teamwork. I am, therefore, pleased to recommend the appointment of Peter Todd, M.D., Ph.D. as the Chester and Anne Alecks Sackett Endowed Professor, 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  

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Leung Tsang

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Robert J. Hiller Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering

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

The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Leung Tsang as the Robert J. Hiller Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, for a five-year renewable term, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

The Robert J. Hiller Professorship in Engineering was established in December 1990 by a gift from the estate of Robert J. Hiller, a 1917 graduate of the College of Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Leung Tsang received his S.B. (1971), his S.M. (1973), and his Ph.D. (1976) in electrical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Professor Tsang began his academic career in 1980 at Texas A&M University as an assistant professor. He was promoted to associate professor in 1982. In 1983, he joined the University of Washington as an associate professor in the Department of Electrical Engineering. He was promoted to professor in 1986. He served as the acting chair (2006-2007) and department chair (2007-2011). While on leave from the University of Washington, he served as the chair professor and assistant head for the Department of Electronic Engineering for the City University of Hong Kong (2001-2004). He has been an honorary professor of City University of Hong Kong since 2004. Professor Tsang joined the University of Michigan faculty as a professor in January 2015.

Professor Tsang’s research is in microwave remote sensing; an important technology for monitoring natural resources and global climate changes. The theoretical core of this technology is scattering of waves in complex geophysical environments. He pioneered and formulated theories of multiple scattering in wave scattering in random media and rough surfaces. His models have been used by satellite remote sensing programs of U.S., Canada, European and Asian countries. Professor Tsang’s theories have made important societal contributions in monitoring soil moisture for droughts and climate; snow for water resources, floods, and climate; ocean wind and salinity for weather and climate; polar ice sheets and sea ice for climate; vegetation and forests for agriculture and ecology. He developed a fast hybrid method of full wave simulations of propagation and scattering of microwaves with results of much larger transmission than the classical Radiative Transfer Equation. The results changed the conclusions of feasibility of microwave penetration through forests. Such fast, full wave simulations of forests will also be used for target detection in forest environment. Recently, he combined Broadband Green’s functions with Multiple Scattering theory to have fast
solutions of band fields in periodic structures which have wide applications in photonic crystals and topological photonics.

Professor Tsang is the lead author of four books: Theory of Microwave Remote Sensing, published by Wiley-Interscience (1985), and Scattering of Electromagnetic Waves, volumes one, two and three, published by Wiley-Interscience (2001). The books have been used for upper undergraduate classes, graduate classes, and researchers. Professor Tsang has supervised more than 30 Ph.D. theses. He has taught undergraduate and graduate classes in electromagnetics, antennas, computational electromagnetics, multiple scattering, and Green’s functions. He incorporates extensive commercial software in undergraduate classes in antennas including the use of machine learning in antenna design. Professor Tsang was nominated for the 2023 Cinda Sue Davis STEM Equity Leadership Award for being “an icon of accessibility, equity, and enthusiasm in STEM education.”

Professor Tsang was the editor-in-chief from 1996 to 2000 of the IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing. He was the president from 2006 to 2007 of the IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Society (GRSS). He was the chair from 2008 to 2009 of the Periodicals Committee of the IEEE Technical Activities Board. In 2000, he received the Outstanding Service Award from GRSS and the IEEE Third Millennium Medal. He is an honorary life member of GRSS. He has also been the president of the Electromagnetics Academy, Cambridge, Massachusetts, and the chair of the PIERS Symposium since 2008. The annual PIERS Symposium draws more than 1000 attendees.

Professor Tsang is the recipient of the 2008 GRSS Distinguished Achievement Award, the 2010 Golden Florin Award, the 2012 William Pecora Award (co-sponsored by USGS and NASA), the 2013 IEEE Electromagnetics Award, and the 2018 van de Hulst Light Scattering Award. He is a fellow of the IEEE, the Optical Society of America, and the Electromagnetics Academy. He is also a member of the Washington State Academy of Science, and the U.S. National Academy of Engineering.

Professor Tsang’s academic achievements fully merit his appointment. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Leung Tsang as the Robert J. Hiller Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

September 2023
On the recommendation of the Executive Committees of the Department of Asian Languages and Cultures and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Trent T. Walker as the Thai Professor of Theravada Buddhism, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through August 31, 2026.

The Thai Professorship in Theravada Buddhism was established in July 2017 as a result of a generous gift from Amnuay Viranvan. This professorship is intended to promote knowledge of Theravada Buddhism, with emphasis on the contributions of the Thai tradition. Appointments to this professorship may be up to three years and renewed once for junior faculty, or up to five years and renewed for senior faculty.

Trent Walker received his Bachelor of Arts in religious studies from Stanford University in 2010. He earned his doctorate in Buddhist studies from the University of California, Berkeley in 2018. He was appointed the Khyentse Foundation Post-doctoral Fellow at Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok (2018-2020) and was the Ho Center for Buddhist Studies Post-doctoral Fellow at Stanford University (2020-2023) before joining our faculty as an assistant professor in 2023.

Professor Walker specializes in Southeast Asian Buddhist music, literature, and manuscripts, and has published widely on Khmer, Lao, Pali, Thai, and Vietnamese Buddhist texts and recitation practices. He is the author of Until Nirvana’s Time: Buddhist Songs from Cambodia (Shambhala Publications, 2022), the first collection of traditional Cambodian Buddhist literature to appear in English. He is also the co-editor of a major anthology of Khmer literature, Out of the Shadows of Angkor: Cambodian Poetry, Prose, and Performance through the Ages (University of Hawaii Press, 2022). His literary translations of Southeast Asian songs, narrative poems, and stone inscriptions have appeared in Words Without Borders, The Margins, and other venues. His current book project, tentatively titled “Classical Reading, Vernacular Writing: A Bitextual History of Southeast Asian Buddhism, 1450–1850,” argues that a distinct mode of
translation was the core intellectual and literary activity in early modern Theravada Buddhist cultures.

Professor Walker consistently receives high student evaluations for the courses he teaches and received the 2015 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award at the University of California, Berkeley. He has creative, innovative ideas for new courses such as “Buddhism and Magic,” “Buddhist Music,” and “Buddhism and the Family” that will likely be immediate successes in the department’s curriculum. He also brings expertise in Indian Buddhism that the department has been missing for some time, and we anticipate he will attract graduate students from multiple disciplinary and regional backgrounds.

Professor Walker’s service record to the field is impressive. Since 2019, he has served as the director of preservation and lead scholar for the Khmer Manuscript Heritage Project, an initiative of the Buddhist Digital Resource Center to digitize over 1.5 million pages of palm-leaf texts in Khmer, Pali, and Siamese from Cambodian libraries and rural monasteries. He currently serves as an advisor to the Buddhist Heritage of Thailand Fragile Palm Leaves Foundation, member of the Khyentse Foundation’s academic development committee, member of the Buddhist Digital Resource Center’s board of advisors, and member of the American Academy of Religion Buddhism unit steering committee. Professor Walker is also a regular speaker at temples, retreat centers, and universities, and serves as a manuscript and grant reviewer for several publication and grant agencies.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Trent T. Walker as the Thai Professor of Theravada Buddhism, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, effective August 28, 2023 through August 31, 2026.

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, President for Academic Affairs
and Education
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor  President for Academic Affairs
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointments for a Faculty Member

NAME: Zhen Xu, Ph.D.

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

ADDITIONAL TITLES: Professor of Radiology, without tenure, and Professor of Neurosurgery, without tenure, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2023

On the recommendation of Vikas Gulani, M.D., Ph.D., Fred Jenner Hodges Professor and chair of the Department of Radiology, and Aditya S. Pandey, M.D., Julian T. Hoff Professor and chair of the Department of Neurosurgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, we are pleased to recommend the additional appointments of Zhen Xu, Ph.D. as professor of radiology, without tenure, and professor of neurosurgery, without tenure, Medical School, effective October 1, 2023.

Dr. Xu’s research focuses on image-guided, non-invasive ultrasound, as well as histotripsy technology for the management of neurosurgical diseases, presenting significant overlapping in research between biomedical engineering, radiology, and neurosurgery. She has standing collaborations in the Medical School, and she has had significant funding from the NIH, DOD, industry, and foundations. Dr. Xu has a strong education portfolio, teaching multiple graduate and undergraduate courses and workshops in the College of Engineering, and she has mentored numerous Ph.D., master, and undergraduate students, as well as both faculty and residents in the Medical School. Her scholarly activity is impressive, with 110 peer-reviewed publications, 87 conference presentations, and another 70 conference abstracts.

These additional appointments will enhance Dr. Xu’s continued research collaborations in radiology with Drs. Brian Fowlkes, Mishal Mendiratta-Lala, and Maggie Zhang. She will provide teaching and mentorship to undergraduate and graduate students in the Department of
Radiology. In the Department of Neurosurgery, Dr. Xu will provide mentorship to faculty and residents. She will continue her ongoing work with Dr. Pandey in histotripsy technology, and with her clinical trail collaborations. We are pleased, therefore, to recommend the additional appointments of Zhen Xu, Ph.D. as professor of radiology, without tenure, and professor of neurosurgery, without tenure, Medical School, effective October 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

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

September 2023
The dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering are pleased to recommend the appointment of Yafeng Yin as the Donald Cleveland Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

The Donald Cleveland Collegiate Professorship in Engineering was established in July 2023 to honor Donald Cleveland, a former faculty member at the University of Michigan. The professorship is funded by the College of Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

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 the associate chair for graduate programs between 2020 and 2022 and as the interim chair between 2022 and 2023 in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering. Since July 2023, he has served as the Donald Malloure Department Chair 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 College of Engineering, 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 the Kikuchi-Karlaftis Best Paper Award from the Transportation Research Board of the National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine.

Professor Yin’s academic achievements fully merit his appointment to this professorship. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Yafeng Yin as the Donald Cleveland Collegiate Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

RECOMMENDED BY:  

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  

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

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to an Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Geneviève Zubrzycki

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: William H. Sewell, Jr. Collegiate Professor of Sociology, 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 Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Geneviève Zubrzycki as the William H. Sewell, Jr. Collegiate Professor of Sociology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for a five-year renewable term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2028.

This professorship was established in the Provost Office and was named the William H. Sewell, Jr. Collegiate Professorship in Sociology in July 2023. William H. Sewell, Jr. was a faculty member at the University of Michigan from 1985 until his resignation in 1990. A stipend funded from college resources accompanies this professorship. Appointment periods may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Geneviève Zubrzycki received her Bachelor of Arts from McGill University in 1992 and her Master of Science from the Université de Montréal in 1995. She earned her doctorate from the University of Chicago in 2002. Professor Zubrzycki joined our faculty as an assistant professor in 2003, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2009, and to professor in 2017.

Professor Zubrzycki is a renowned historical and cultural sociologist and sociologist of religion and nationalism. She has been invited to give lectures, present on presidential panels, or give keynote addresses at over 100 institutions in the United States, Canada, Poland, Germany, the Netherlands, France, Russia, and elsewhere. In 2021, Professor Zubrzycki was awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship and the Bronislaw Malinowski Prize in the Social Sciences from the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences of America for her “widely-recognized research contributions to the social sciences, particularly as they relate to Poland and East-Central Europe.” The consistently high caliber of her scholarship is evidenced by the fact that nearly everything she publishes wins an award. Overall, she has received awards and prizes from four different American Sociological Association sections, demonstrating the reach of her scholarship in the field. Her work has also been recognized by area studies associations and has been
translated into Polish and French. In recent years, Professor Zubrzycki held visiting professorships at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales in Paris (2011, 2013, 2020) and the École Pratique des Hautes Études in Paris (2021), and participated in an international research project on memory and violence hosted at the Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities and Social Sciences (2011-2013).

Professor Zubryzcki is an impressive teacher who offers courses on religion, nationalism, culture, and theory that range from small seminars to large undergraduate courses. Her courses address important and sensitive issues, especially regarding fundamentalism and gender, religion and politics, and religion and violence. She consciously teaches across multiple cases to analyze these issues—rather than associating a single religious tradition with a single social issue—and in doing so, builds the foundations to overcome ethno-religious rifts and discrimination. This empirical, comparative focus is pedagogically productive and captures students’ attention, allowing for deep critical thinking. Professor Zubryzcki is a dedicated mentor, having served on thirty-one dissertation committees and chairing eight of these. She is often the faculty member students turn to for detailed feedback and professional guidance. In addition, she provides extensive mentoring through her participation in and frequent chairing of the Culture, History, and Politics graduate workshop. She has also served as mentor to three post-doctoral fellows and has long been an active supporter and mentor to junior faculty.

Professor Zubryzcki is a stellar and impactful leader occupying many central leadership roles. She currently serves simultaneously as the director of the Copernicus Center in Polish Studies, the director of the Center for European Studies, and the director of Weiser Center for Europe and Eurasia. She was also appointed as a senior fellow to the University of Michigan’s Society of Fellows (2016-20). Her mentorship activities have recently become more formalized through two launch committees for new assistant professors in the Department of Sociology; her commitment to supporting the professional development of other scholars in the university is reflected in her service on panels and committees through UM ADVANCE and the Michigan Society of Fellows. Professor Zubrzycki has also been an exemplary citizen in her home department, serving multiple terms in all major service positions. Most importantly, she has been elected for four distinct terms to the departmental executive committee, indicating the high regard her colleagues in sociology hold for her and their trust in her leadership capabilities. Her service contributions extend beyond the university community to the broader discipline, where she has also demonstrated significant leadership. She was elected as the chair of the Sociology of Culture section of the American Sociological Association (ASA) and council member of three other sections of the ASA. She has also rendered significant service in publications, serving as a co-editor of three book series, including the UM Press’s *Comparative Studies in Society and History*. She has also served on the editorial boards of *The American Journal of Cultural Sociology*, *Sociological Theory*, *Qualitative Sociology*, and *Sociology of Religion*, among others.
We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Geneviève Zubrzycki as the William H. Sewell, Jr. Collegiate Professor of Sociology, 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

September 2023
Recommendations for approval of leaves of absence
for regular instructional staff and selected academic administrative staff
ACTION REQUEST: Extension of Leave of Absence

NAME: Alfred O. Hero III

CURRENT TITLES: John H. Holland Distinguished University Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, R. Jamison and Betty Williams Professor of Engineering, Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, with tenure, College of Engineering, Professor of Biomedical Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering and Medical School, and Professor of Statistics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TYPE OF LEAVE: Personal Leave

DATES OF CURRENT LEAVE: September 26, 2022 through September 25, 2023

TIME EXTENSION REQUESTED: September 26, 2023 through September 25, 2024

It is recommended that Alfred O. Hero III be granted an extension of leave of absence, effective September 26, 2023 through September 25, 2024.

Professor Hero is on leave as a program director for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Communications and Information Foundations Cluster within the Division of Computing and Communication Foundations. He is responsible for long-range planning and budget development, managing an effective, timely merit review, award and declination process, and post-award management process, advising the community of current and future funding opportunities, coordinating, and collaborating with other programs in the NSF, as well as other federal agencies and organizations. Professor Hero is also responsible for advising and assisting the division director in the development of long-range plans that ensure the directorate’s investments are targeted to challenges and opportunities in the directorate’s research and education fields, collaboratively overseeing and managing the merit review process for assigned
research, education or infrastructure proposals to ensure that investments are made in a diverse, rich mix of bold, cutting-edge projects that promise to advance the frontier and contribute to the attainment of the NSF’s strategic goals. We believe the University of Michigan will benefit from his continued involvement in this initiative.

We request approval of this extension of leave of absence for Alfred O. Hero III.

RECOMMENDED BY:  

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  

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

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

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

September 2023
Establishing and renaming professorships and selected academic and administrative positions.
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Change in Title of an Existing Administrative Position

CURRENT TITLE: Assistant Vice President for Research-Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Initiatives, Office of the Vice President for Research

RECOMMENDED TITLE: Associate Vice President for Research-Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Initiatives, Office of the Vice President for Research

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

The Office of the Vice President for Research wishes to recommend a change in title of an existing administrative title from assistant vice president for research-diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives, to associate vice president for research-diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023.

The Office of the Vice President for Research works with internal and external partners to catalyze, support, and safeguard research and scholarship across UM and seeks to strengthen and improve its diversity, equity, and inclusion strategies in the Office of the Vice President for Research and in research by ensuring that UM is a place where differences are welcomed, different perspectives are respectfully heard, and where every individual feels a sense of belonging and inclusion. The associate vice president for research-diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives will be responsible for advising the vice president for research and other members of the leadership team in strategic planning decision making and policy setting for the research enterprise and to serve as the Office of the Vice President for Research’s diversity, equity, and inclusion lead and primary liaison to the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. This position reports to the vice president for research. Expanded responsibilities include collaborating with others to ensure diversity, equity, and inclusion principles are integrated into the work of all Office of the Vice President for Research units and activities; assisting with communicating diversity, equity, inclusion, and culture priorities and progress; promoting and supporting diversity, equity, and inclusion principles and best practices in research and research development across the university; and being a thought partner in developing approaches to increase the university’s capacity to conduct strong diversity, equity, and inclusion-relevant research.

Appointments to the associate vice president for research-diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives will be made by the vice president for research. We therefore recommend the change in title of an existing administrative title from assistant vice president for research-diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives, to associate vice president for research-diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rebecca Cunningham
Vice President for Research

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a New Academic Administrative Position
POSITION TITLE: Senior Associate Dean, School of Dentistry
EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

The dean of the School of Dentistry is pleased to recommend the establishment of a new academic administrative position as senior associate dean, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2023.

The responsibilities of the senior associate dean will include collaborative leadership to oversee functional areas of the School of Dentistry as determined by the dean of the School of Dentistry. The senior associate dean will serve as an advisor to the School of Dentistry leadership on various areas relating to the school administration. In the absence of the dean, the senior associate dean may act on behalf of the dean. The senior associate dean will work as a member of the leadership team with deans, chairs, and directors of the School of Dentistry. The senior associate dean will report directly to the dean, as well as work in close collaboration with the other members of the administrative team at the School of Dentistry.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a new academic administrative position as senior associate dean, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2023.

Recommended by:

Jacques E. Nor
Dean, School of Dentistry

Recommendation endorsed by:

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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Research Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Marilyn Fisher Blanch Research Professorship in Child Health Policy, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

On the recommendation of Donna M. Martin M.D., Ph.D., the Ravitz Foundation Endowed Professor and chair of the Department of Pediatrics, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the Marilyn Fisher Blanch Research Professorship in Child Health Policy, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023.

The Marilyn Fisher Blanch Research Professorship in Child Health Policy stems from a gift from Susan B. Meister and Paul M. Meister, in honor of their mother, Marilyn Fisher Blanch. This professorship will recognize the exceptional leadership of the director of the Susan B. Meister Child Health Evaluation and Research Center: to create opportunities at Michigan for those who conduct interdisciplinary research to advance the health and wellbeing of children, adolescents, and families through health services and health policy; to create opportunities for those who seek training in order to contribute to this research; and to lead the center in advancing all aspects of health services research and health policy affecting children, adolescent and families. This professorship is to be held by the center director only during their term as the director. The holder of this professorship will hold a primary or secondary appointment as a faculty member in the Department of Pediatrics. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the Marilyn Fisher Blanch Research Professorship in Child Health Policy, Medical School, effective September 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

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Early Career Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Dentistry, School of Dentistry

TERM: Three Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023

With the approval of the Executive Committee of the School of Dentistry, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Dentistry, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2023.

The Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Dentistry is intended to support an early career faculty member as an independent researcher in the School of Dentistry. The initial appointment period will be for three years and may be renewable. The appointment will terminate with the promotion to the associate professor level.

In 1984, through the generosity of Dr. Robert W. Browne, gifts in the amount of $1,000,000 were used to establish the Robert W. Browne Endowed Professorship in Dentistry. In 2002, with permission from the donor, the Robert W. Browne Professorship in Dentistry fund was expanded to support the Robert W. Browne Professorship in Orthodontics. The current combined market value of the Robert W. Browne Professorship funds is $13,980,000. In continuing to support the intent of the donor, the school would like to establish the Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Dentistry.

In recognition of the legacy of Dr. Robert W. Browne, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Dentistry, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2023.

Recommended by:

Jacques E. Nör
Dean, School of Dentistry

Recommendation endorsed by:

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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Early Career Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry

TERM: Three Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023

With the approval of the Executive Committee of the School of Dentistry, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2023.

The Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry is intended to support an early career faculty member as an independent researcher in the department of Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry. The initial appointment period will be for three years and may be renewed. The appointment will terminate with promotion to the associate professor level.

In 1984, through the generosity of Dr. Robert W. Browne, gifts in the amount of $1,000,000 were used to establish the Robert W. Browne Endowed Professorship in Dentistry. In 2002, with permission from the donor, the Robert W. Browne Professorship in Dentistry fund was expanded to support the Robert W. Browne Professorship in Orthodontics. The current combined market value of the Robert W. Browne Professorship funds is $13,980,000. In continuing to support the intent of the donor, the school would like to establish the Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry.

In recognition of the legacy of Dr. Robert W. Browne, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Robert W. Browne Early Career Professorship in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2023.

Recommended by: Recommendation endorsed by:

Jacques E. Nör Laurie K. McCauley
Dean, School of Dentistry Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Robert W. Browne Endowed Professorship in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

With the approval of the Executive Committee of the School of Dentistry, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the Robert W. Browne Endowed Professorship in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2023.

In 1984, through the generosity of Dr. Robert W. Browne, gifts in the amount of $1,000,000 were used to establish the Robert W. Browne Endowed Professorship in Dentistry. In 2002, with permission from the donor, the Robert W. Browne Professorship in Dentistry fund was expanded to support the Robert W. Browne Professorship in Orthodontics. The current combined market value of the Robert W. Browne Professorship funds is $13,980,000. In continuing to support the intent of the donor, the school would like to establish the Robert W. Browne Endowed Professorship in Orthodontic and Pediatric Dentistry.

Dr. Robert W. Browne was a distinguished School of Dentistry alumnus and supporter. The intent of the original professorship is that it be used as a rotating title awarded to a selected School of Dentistry faculty member for a period of five years with renewable terms. The Robert W. Browne Endowed Professorship in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry will be used in the same manner.

In recognition of the legacy of Dr. Robert W. Browne, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Robert W. Browne Endowed Professorship in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, School of Dentistry, effective September 1, 2023.

Recommended by: Recommendation endorsed by:

Jacques E. Nör Laurie K. McCauley
Dean, School of Dentistry Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Correction of Change in Name of an Existing Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

CURRENT TITLE: Roger C. Lyndon Collegiate Professorship in Mathematics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDED TITLE: Arthur W. and Alice R. Burks Collegiate Professorship in Physics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

TERM Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 1, 2023

In the July 2023 Regents Communication requesting a change in name of an existing unendowed collegiate professorship, the existing professorship title was noted incorrectly. The correction follows:

CURRENT TITLE: Edward Sapir Collegiate Professorship in Linguistic Anthropology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

RECOMMENDED TITLE: Arthur W. and Alice R. Burks Collegiate Professorship in Physics, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Please accept this correction and our apologies for the inconsistency in renaming the existing unendowed collegiate professorship.

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:

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

August 2023

INTERIM APPROVAL GRANTED
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Faculty Development Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Chen-Luan Family Faculty Development Professorship in Electrical and Computer Engineering, College of Engineering

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

We are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Chen-Luan Family Faculty Development Professorship in Electrical and Computer Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023.

The College of Engineering is the recipient of a generous gift from the HAGE Foundation in honor of Dr. Enke Chen’s mentor, Stephane Lafortune. This professorship will be used to recruit or retain assistant or associate faculty members in the Division of Electrical and Computer Engineering. Appointments to this professorship may be up to five years and may be renewed.

Enke Chen is a well-known expert in routing protocol design and implementation, in particular on BGP and MPLS L3VPN. He has authored and implemented a number of RFC’s and patents, and quite a few of them are deployed widely on the Internet. Dr. Chen also has extensive experience in networking system architecture, design, and implementation, with emphasis on the control-plane robustness, scalability, and modularity. Dr. Chen holds a Ph.D. (1991) and a M.S.E. (1987) in Electrical Engineering: Systems from the University of Michigan, and a B.E. (1985) in Automation from Tsinghua University, China.

Dr. Chen started his career as a network engineer at Merit Networks (Ann Arbor, MI) working on the design and engineering of the NSFNET backbone, and then at MCI (Reston, VA) on the Internet-MCI backbone, including routing architecture, traffic engineering and inter-provider peering. He then joined Cisco Systems (San Jose, CA) as a software engineer and became a primary developer for BGP in IOS. He designed and implemented a number of BGP features widely deployed by service providers. He continued his career as a principal engineer at Redback Networks (San Jose, CA) for five years, and led the development of several large routing modules on the SmartEdge platform, including BGP, LDP, MPLS L3VPN, and implemented a number of infrastructure libraries and modules.

Dr. Chen re-joined Cisco and worked for 16+ years as a principal engineer and then as a distinguished engineer. His work spanned over multiple large and impactful projects, included modernizing the enterprise network operating system, service provider routing protocol development and implementation, and the Viptela SDWAN integration with the routing portfolio. In September 2020, Dr. Chen joined Palo Alto Networks (Santa Clara, CA) as a senior
distinguished engineer; his work is focused on the architecture and design of advanced networking and secure access solutions.

The College of Engineering is grateful to the HAGE Foundation for their generosity and support. In recognition of this significant gift, we are pleased to recommend the establishment of the Chen-Luan Family Faculty Development Professorship in Electrical and Computer Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION  

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Collegiate Research Professorship  

PROPOSED NAME: Jerome Martin Clubb Collegiate Research Professorship, Office of the Vice President for Research  

TERM: Five Years, Renewable  

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023  

With recommendation from the 2023 Research Faculty Award Selection Committee, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the Jerome Martin Clubb Collegiate Research Professorship, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023.  

A new collegiate research professorship is awarded each year 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. The recipient will be a research professor with at least a 60 percent appointment, and will be appointed to the professorship for a five-year renewable term. The recipient will be awarded a stipend of $2,000 per year for the initial five-year term, provided by the Office of the Vice President Research.  

Jerome M. Clubb retired from the University of Michigan in 1994 as a professor emeritus of history in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts and a research scientist emeritus in the Center for Political Studies, based in the Institute for Social Research. Professor Clubb passed away on December 15, 2021.  

A native of Washington, Professor Clubb received a B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Washington in 1955, 1957 and 1963, respectively. He was a faculty member at Bowling Green State University from 1961-66. He joined the Center for Political Studies as a research associate in 1966, was promoted to program director in 1970, and to research scientist in 1973. He was appointed as a lecturer in history in 1968, was promoted to associate professor in 1971, and to professor in 1973. Professor Clubb also served as the executive director of the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) from 1975-91.  

Professor Clubb was a pioneer in introducing quantitative techniques of analysis to history. Through his extensive research and publications, he demonstrated that quantitative data adds precision to historical interpretations and often yields findings that are contrary to conventional wisdom. He showed that partisan realignment followed, rather than preceded, critical elections in American history, and that political elites played a crucial role in initiating realignments by leading, rather than responding to, shifts in voter attitudes. His championing of quantitative techniques of analysis has had an important impact on historical studies. As the executive director of ICPSR, Professor Clubb shaped the social sciences globally. He expanded the
disciplinary scope of ICPSR, adding history, sociology and social work as full partners with political science, the consortium’s founding discipline. He greatly expanded the services that ICPSR provides to support research. During his tenure as executive director, the consortium’s membership greatly increased, and its budget grew from $1.1 million to more than $3.6 million. Professor Clubb served on numerous national and international social science advisory boards and was a founder and president of the Social Science History Association. In 1992, he was honored by being appointed to the university’s Senior Research Scientist Lectureship.

In recognition of Professor Clubb’s outstanding contributions as an educator, researcher and leader, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the Jerome Ma Clubb Collegiate Research Professorship, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rebecca Cunningham
Vice President for Research

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Change in Title of Existing Endowed Professorships

CURRENT TITLES: Dow Corning Assistant Professorship in Chemical Engineering, and Dow Corning Assistant Professorship in Materials Science and Engineering, College of Engineering

RECOMMENDED TITLE: Dow Early Career Professorship in Engineering, College of Engineering

TERMS: Three Years, Non-Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

We are pleased to recommend a change in title of existing endowed professorships from the Dow Corning Assistant Professorship in Chemical Engineering, and the Dow Corning Assistant Professorship in Materials Science and Engineering, to the Dow Early Career Professorship in Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023.

The Dow Corning Assistant Professorships were established in 1989 by a grant from the Dow Corning Foundation to support a junior faculty member. Appointments to this professorship may be up to three years, non-renewable. Incumbents appointed will alternate between the Department of Chemical Engineering and the Department of Materials Science and Engineering.

We are therefore pleased to recommend a change in title of existing endowed professorship titles from the Dow Corning Assistant Professorship in Chemical Engineering and the Dow Corning Assistant Professorship in Materials Science and Engineering, to the Dow Early Career Professorship in Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2023

RECOMMENDED BY:  RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Steven L. Ceccio, Ph.D. Laurie K. McCauley
Interim Dean Provost and Executive Vice
Vincent T. and Gloria M. Gorguze Professor President for Academic Affairs
of Engineering
College of Engineering

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: McKay Professorship, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

On the recommendation of Marschall S. Runge M.D., Ph.D., the Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs and Dean, Medical School, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of an endowed professorship as the McKay Professorship, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023.

The McKay Professorship stems from a split of the Frank D. McKay and Agnes C. McKay Medical Research Foundation Endowment, in support of general medical research to further the greater good of humanity. This professorship will support a faculty member performing medical research within the Medical School. The dean of the Medical School or a designate will recommend a faculty member of the Medical School to hold this prestigious title. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of an endowed professorship as the McKay Professorship, Medical School, effective September 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 Dean, Medical School President for Academic Affairs

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Research Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Ronald Nishiyama, M.D. Research Professorship, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

On the recommendation of Charles 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 establishment of a research professorship as the Ronald Nishiyama, M.D. Research Professorship, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023.

The Ronald Nishiyama, M.D. Research Professorship stems from a gift from Jean Kishida Nishiyama to support the clinical and research efforts of a distinguished member within the Department of Pathology with the donor’s preference being incumbents that have a specialization in the areas of endocrine pathology or hematopathology. This professorship will honor Ronald Nishiyama’s record of service to Michigan Medicine and his dedication as a lifelong researcher, leader, mentor, educator and clinician. This professorship will support a faculty member with a primary appointment in the Department of Pathology. The chair of the Department of Pathology will recommend a faculty member to the dean of the Medical School. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the Ronald Nishiyama, M.D. Research Professorship, Medical School, effective September 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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of a Research Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Richard L. Prager, M.D. Professorship, Medical School

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

On the recommendation of Gorav Ailawadi, MD, the Helen and Marvin Kirsh Professor and chair of the Department of Cardiac Surgery, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the Richard L. Prager, M.D. Professorship, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023.

The Richard L. Prager, M.D. Professorship stems from a gift from the Samuel and Jean Frankel Foundation. The professorship is in recognition of, and appreciation for, Dr. Richard L. Prager’s years of outstanding service as a director of the Samuel and Jean Frankel Cardiovascular Center during which time he contributed substantially to advancements in the field of thoracic and cardiovascular surgery. This professorship will recognize the research achievements of a faculty member in the Department of Cardiac Surgery. The professorship will provide support for the academic endeavors of the faculty member who holds this professorship. The holder of the professorship will be a faculty member of the Department of Cardiac Surgery. The appointment period is up to five years and may be renewed.

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of a research professorship as the Richard L. Prager, M.D. Professorship, Medical School, effective September 1, 2023.

Recommended by:

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

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

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Naming of an Existing Unendowed Collegiate Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Lynda S. Welage Collegiate Professorship in Pharmacy, College of Pharmacy

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

The College of Pharmacy is pleased to recommend the naming of an existing unendowed collegiate professorship as the Lynda S. Welage Collegiate Professorship in Pharmacy, College of Pharmacy, effective September 1, 2023.

This professorship was established in the Provost Office. Lynda S. Welage was a faculty member at the University of Michigan from 1988 through 2011. This professorship will be funded from College of Pharmacy resources, and the initial term of appointment will be for five years with the possibility of renewal. A distinguished faculty member will be nominated to receive this honor.

Lynda Welage received her B.S. (pharmacy) degree in 1981 and Pharm.D. degree in 1983 from the University of Michigan and SUNY-Buffalo, respectively. After completing a fellowship at the Millard Fillmore Hospital in Buffalo in 1985, she remained as a clinical pharmacist and joined the faculty at SUNY-Buffalo as a clinical instructor. She was promoted to clinical assistant professor and became program director for critical care in the Millard Fillmore Hospital Surgical Intensive Care Unit in 1986. She joined the University of Michigan in 1988 as an assistant professor and clinical pharmacist and was promoted to associate professor in 1995. In 2004, she was promoted to professor and was appointed as the associate dean for academic affairs. She held this role until her retirement in 2011, at which point she was became a professor emerita of pharmacy. At present, Professor Welage holds the positions of dean of the College of Pharmacy and professor within the Department of Experimental and Clinical Pharmacology at the University of Minnesota.

Throughout her tenure at Michigan, Professor Welage showcased exceptional expertise as a faculty member, standing out in her capacities as a clinician, educator, and researcher. She became well known nationally as an expert in critical care and an authority of drug absorption. Under her leadership, substantial enhancements were made to the curriculum. Initially, she led as the chair of the Curriculum Committee and later as the associate dean for academic affairs. Her influence led to significant advancements in innovative teaching methods within both didactic and clinical contexts. Her impact was also acknowledged through accolades. She was honored with a Computerworld Award from the Smithsonian National Museum of American History for her role in developing an interactive case-based computer program aimed at helping
students master essential clinical practice skills. Additionally, in 2010, she and her colleagues received the Hope Clinic Community Partnership Award. Professor Welage was a key participant in the university’s successful application for a federal Clinical and Translational Science Award and was involved in the inception of the Michigan Institute for Clinical Health Research (MICHR). She served as the associate director of MICHR 2009-2011. Her tireless efforts and commitments to our students, research, and patient care were extremely impactful. She was also a true champion for faculty and trainee development and continues to serve in this role for clinician scholars across the country.

The Lynda S. Welage Collegiate Professorship will honor Professor Welage and will provide the opportunity to recognize distinguished members of the faculty. The College of Pharmacy is pleased to recommend the naming of an existing unendowed collegiate professorship as the Lynda S. Welage Collegiate Professorship in Pharmacy, College of Pharmacy, effective September 1, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY: RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

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

September 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: Correction of the Tenure Status of an Additional Appointment

NAME: Omolade Adunbi

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2023

In the May 2023 Regents Communication requesting Omolade Adunbi’s additional appointment as professor of anthropology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, the tenure status was noted incorrectly. The correction follows:

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

Please accept this correction and our apologies for the inconsistency in Omolade Adunbi’s tenure status.

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

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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Change in Title

NAME: Rebecca Cunningham, M.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Vice President for Research, Office of the Vice President for Research, William G. Barsan Collegiate Professor of Emergency Medicine, Professor of Emergency Medicine, with tenure, Medical School, and Professor of Health Behavior and Health Education, without tenure, School of Public Health

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Vice President for Research and Innovation, Office of the Vice President for Research, William G. Barsan Collegiate Professor of Emergency Medicine, Professor of Emergency Medicine, with tenure, Medical School, and Professor of Health Behavior and Health Education, without tenure, School of Public Health

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 through March 31, 2025

The UM Office of the President wishes to recommend a change in title for Rebecca Cunningham, M.D. from vice president for research, to vice president for research and innovation, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023 through March 31, 2025.

As the vice president for research and innovation, Dr. Cunningham will continue to assume overall responsibility for fostering the excellence and integrity of research across three university campuses and health system, as well as guide the innovation involved with moving research towards commercialization that drives economic growth in the State of Michigan. She will continue to oversee the Office of the Vice President for Research and to provide strategic leadership in research, innovation, and technology transfer activities which catalyze, support, and safeguard research and scholarship at the University of Michigan. Dr. Cunningham will also work closely with university leaders, as well as with regional, national, and global external partners including those with the potential for positive economic impacts for the region and our state.

I am pleased to recommend a change in title for Rebecca Cunningham, M.D. from vice president for research, to vice president for research and innovation, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023 through March 31, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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Santa J. Ono
President

September 2023
With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Louito C. Edje, M.D. as senior associate dean of medical education, Medical School, effective October 2, 2023.

Louito Edje obtained her medical degree from the University of Michigan in 1995. After completing a family medicine residency at Toledo Hospital, she spent several years in private practice while also working as an attending physician at St. Luke’s Hospital in Maumee, Ohio. In 2011, she accepted a position with Promedica in Toledo where she remained until 2018. During this time, she also held several adjunct faculty positions as clinical professor at in the Department of Family Medicine at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine, the University of Toledo College of Medicine, Michigan State University, and Ohio Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Edje also began an adjunct clinical instructor appointment at the University of Michigan in the Department of Family Medicine in 2012. She returned for a brief one-year period to St. Luke's before accepting a position at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine in 2019 where she was appointed a professor in the Department of Medical Education.

Dr. Edje’s scholarly work has focused on transforming medical education and diversity amongst academic medicine training programs. She has been involved significantly in administrative activities throughout her extensive career. Dr. Edje served as the chair of medicine at St. Luke’s Hospital from 2004-2006 and was a member of the board of directors from 2006-2015. At Promedica, she served as the associate vice president of academic affairs from 2014-2018. Since 2019, Dr. Edje has been the associate dean for graduate medical education at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center and in 2021 became the designated institutional official.

It is the judgment of the Executive Committee that Dr. Edje is well qualified to serve in this administrative capacity. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Louito C. Edje, M.D. as senior associate dean of medical education, Medical School, effective October 2, 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

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Professional Administrative Appointment

NAME: Kimberly Kiernan

RECOMMENDED TITLE: Co-Interim Associate Vice President for Facilities and Operations, Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 1, 2023

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Kimberly Kiernan as co-interim associate vice president for facilities and operations, Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, effective August 1, 2023.

Ms. Kiernan began her career in 1992 at the University of Michigan in the Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and has risen to her current position as administrative director for Facilities and Operations (F&O), a position she has held since 2012.

In her current role, Ms. Kiernan manages all administrative operations for the entire F&O organization and oversees F&O’s operating and capital budgeting processes, business strategy, forecasting, workforce planning and talent development. She has also played a key role in supporting organizational development and change initiatives across the organization.

Ms. Kiernan’s experience working closely with facilities and operations administration has positioned her to assume this co-interim role. She holds a Master of Business Administration in accounting from Eastern Michigan University and received her undergraduate degree in English and communications from the University of Michigan.

It is a pleasure to recommend the appointment of Kimberly Kiernan as co-interim associate vice president for facilities and operations, Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, effective August 1, 2023.

Recommended by:

Geoffrey S. Chatas
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Recommendation endorsed by:

Santa J. Ono
President

August 2023

INTERIM APPROVAL
GRANTED
I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Marina Roelofs as co-interim associate vice president for facilities and operations, Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, effective August 1, 2023.

Ms. Roelofs joined the University of Michigan in 1999 and has served as the executive director of Architecture, Engineering, and Construction since 2000. In her role, she oversees the design and construction of new facilities, additions, renovations, utilities, and infrastructure improvements for all UM campuses, including Michigan Medicine. She manages a professional staff of more than 200 employees who support projects totaling over $2 billion annually. During her tenure, she has overseen the successful development of more than $9 billion in capital projects.

Ms. Roelofs’ career began in the construction industry at General Motors and previously served as the assistant vice president for facilities at the University of Toledo. She holds a Juris Doctor from Detroit College of Law Michigan State University, a Master of Science in civil engineering from Wayne State University and received her undergraduate degree in construction engineering from Lawrence Technological University.

It is a pleasure to recommend the appointment of Marina Roelofs as co-interim associate vice president for facilities and operations, Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, effective August 1, 2023.

Recommended by:

Geoffrey S. Chatas
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Recommendation endorsed by:

Santa J. Ono
President

August 2023
The Office of the Vice President for Research wishes to recommend a change in title for Kelly Sexton from associate vice president for research-innovation partnerships, to associate vice president for research-innovation partnerships and economic impact, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023.

The associate vice president for research-innovation partnerships and economic impact will continue to provide strategic leadership in innovation and technology transfer activities in support of the educational and research mission of the University of Michigan. Adding the words ‘economic impact’ to the title of this administrative position highlights the growing impact of the commercialization of university research as an economic driver for the State of Michigan. This position reports to the vice president for research and works closely with leadership across the university, as well as with regional, national, and global external partners in order to develop key innovation partnerships both internally and externally, including those with the potential for positive economic impacts for the region and our state. Responsibilities include oversight of the business, legal and operational decisions, and practices of Innovation Partnerships in its role as a key service and resource for innovative investigators as well as the management of policies and practices to assess, protect and commercialize the discoveries and inventions derived from university research. This position also partners with other campus programs to provide support and coordination across the innovation ecosystem, demonstrates leadership among the national and international technology transfer community to maintain the University of Michigan’s reputation for innovation, creativity, integrity and performance, and engages with business, venture, and government communities regionally and nationally.

Kelly Sexton earned a B.S. in molecular biology and biochemistry from the University of Georgia, Athens, in 1999, and a Ph.D. in molecular pathology from the University of California, San Diego, in 2004. After working as a post-doctoral fellow at Stanford University, she joined the Office of Technology Transfer at North Carolina State in 2006, rising to director in 2013 and to assistant vice chancellor for technology commercialization and new ventures in 2016.
Ms. Sexton joined the University of Michigan in January 2018 as the associate vice president for research-technology transfer and innovation partnerships. In June 2022, her title changed to associate vice president for research-innovation partnerships.

I am pleased to recommend a change in title for Kelly Sexton from associate vice president for research-innovation partnerships, to associate vice president for research-innovation partnerships and economic impact, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective September 1, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]
Rebecca Cunningham
Vice President for Research

September 2023
On the recommendation of the dean of the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and with endorsement from the School of Social Work, we are pleased to recommend the transfer of tenure for H. Luke Shaefer from professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and professor of social work, with tenure, School of Social Work, to professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and professor of social work, without tenure, School of Social Work, effective August 28, 2023.

H. Luke Shaefer received his Bachelor of Arts from Oberlin College in 2001, his M.A. in 2005 and Ph.D. in 2008, both in social service administration, from the University of Chicago.

From 2002-2006, Professor Shaefer was the project director and policy associate of Community Connections at Work, Welfare and Families in Chicago, Illinois. He joined the Michigan faculty in 2008 as an assistant professor in the School of Social Work, and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2014. In 2015, he was appointed as an associate professor, with tenure, in the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy. He was promoted to professor in both schools in 2019. In 2016, he was appointed as the inaugural faculty director of UM’s Poverty Solutions initiative, an interdisciplinary, cross-campus effort to inform, identify, and test innovative strategies to prevent and alleviate poverty. In 2020, was appointed as the Hermann and Amalie Kohn Professor of Social Justice and Social Policy. He has continued to serve in numerous leadership roles, including associate dean for research and policy engagement (2020-2022) and associate dean for academic affairs (2022-2023) at the Ford School of Public Policy.

Professor Shaefer has made significant contributions toward understanding and alleviating poverty in the United States through his research and policy engagement. His research focuses on extreme poverty and social welfare policy, from Clinton’s 1996 welfare reform to today’s
policies that are based on tax incentives for labor force participation and vouchers for housing, food, health, and childcare. In his book, $2 a Day, and in his scholarly articles, Professor Shaefer has established himself as a major scholar of contemporary American social welfare policy. He has testified before the U.S. Senate Finance Committee and has also consulted with a number of the nation’s largest social service providers as well as numerous community-based agencies. In addition, under Professor Shaefer’s leadership, Poverty Solutions has cultivated partnerships with university units, communities, policymakers, and practitioners, improving economic mobility across the state and nation. In 2022, he was awarded the University of Michigan President’s Award for Public Engagement, highlighting his expertise and leadership in the field.

We are pleased to recommend the transfer of tenure for H. Luke Shaefer from professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and professor of social work, with tenure, School of Social Work, to professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and professor of social work, without tenure, School of Social Work, effective August 28 1, 2023.

Recommended by:  Recommendation endorsed by:

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Celeste M. Watkins-Hayes  Laurie K. McCauley
Joan and Sanford Weill Dean of Public Policy  Provost and Executive Vice
University Diversity and Social Transformation  President for Academic Affairs
Professor
Jean E. Fairfax Collegiate Professor of Public Policy
Professor of Sociology
Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy

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Beth Angell
Dean of Social Work
Dean and Phillip Fellin Collegiate Professor of Social Work

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - DEARBORN

Recommendations for approval of reappointments

of regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment and Additional Academic Administrative Appointment

NAME: Armen Zakarian

CURRENT TITLES: Vice Provost for Research, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and Professor of Industrial and Manufacturing Systems Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering and Computer Science

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Vice Provost for Research, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Dean of Graduate Studies, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 through July 1, 2026

On the recommendation of the provost and executive vice chancellor for academic affairs, I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Armen Zakarian as vice provost for research, and the additional appointment as dean of graduate studies, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, effective September 1, 2023 through July 1, 2026.

Armen Zakarian received a B.S. in mechanical engineering (with honors) in 1990 from Yerevan Polytechnical University, a M.S. in industrial and systems engineering in 1993 from the University of Southern California, and a Ph.D. in industrial engineering from the University of Iowa in 1997.

Professor Zakarian joined the Department of Industrial and Manufacturing Systems Engineering as an assistant professor in 1997, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2003, and to professor and chair in 2009. Professor Zakarian’s research activities have been supported by numerous grants, and he has published more than 40 peer-reviewed journal papers and refereed conference papers. He joined the Office of the Provost in 2021 as the vice provost for research.

Professor Zakarian’s research is supported through grants from various federal and private sources including the United States Army, United States Navy, AT&T, Ford Motor Company, General Motors, Visteon, and TRW. He has been the recipient of a number of distinctions, including the 2003 Annual International Conference on Systems Engineering (INCOSE) Best Paper Award. He created a Virtual Learning Tool software program for which he received a special recognition from then-Michigan Governor Granholm, and was named a laureate and finalist of the Computerworld Honors Program. He is a senior member of the Institute of
Industrial and Systems Engineering (IISE) as well as a member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and the International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE). Professor Zakarian has supervised the research of many M.S. students and post-doctoral research scientists and has served on several thesis committees for both M.S. and Ph.D. candidates.

The vice provost for research role has been instrumental in supporting and enhancing the research and scholarship culture on campus and creating a robust environment conducive to more active, engaged, and consequential research. Working closely with UM-Dearborn’s provost, college deans, the Office of Institutional Advancement, as well as the UM Office of Research in Ann Arbor and the Office of Research at UM-Flint, Professor Zakarian has set the strategic goals and direction for research development and administration on the campus. He has been responsible for increasing research opportunities and improving success in attracting research support, as well as identifying emerging research areas. As the dean of graduate studies, Professor Zakarian, in collaboration with the deans, will grow graduate research and programs in all four colleges, represent UM-Dearborn at the Rackham Executive Board, and oversee the Environmental Interpretive Center.

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Armen Zakarian as vice provost for research, and the additional appointment as dean of graduate studies, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, effective September 1, 2023 through July 1, 2026.

Recommended by:

[Signature]
Domenico Grasso, Chancellor
University of Michigan-Dearborn

September 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 for a Faculty Member

NAME: Lee A. Freeman

CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of Information Systems Management, with tenure, College of Business

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Interim Chair, Department of Management Studies, College of Business

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

On the recommendation of the dean of the College of Business, and the provost and executive vice chancellor for academic affairs, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Lee A. Freeman as interim chair, Department of Management Studies, College of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

Professor Freeman joined UM-Dearborn, College of Business (COB) in 2000. He has a B.A. from The University of Chicago and received both his M.B.A. and Ph.D. in information systems from Indiana University. He directed and coordinated the COB’s online learning pedagogical and technical support from 2003-2021 and served as the COB’s associate dean of administration from 2008-2013.

In addition to his excellent teaching and administrative performance as associate dean, Professor Freeman is a dedicated scholar who has served the university well in research, teaching, and service. He has published his research in journals such as *MIS Quarterly*, *Communications of the ACM, Journal of Information Systems Education*, and *Communications of the AIS*, among others. He is an associate editor for the *Communications of the AIS*, and previously served as the editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Information Systems Education* from 2014-2021.

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Lee A. Freeman as interim chair, Department of Management Studies, College of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

Recommended by:

[Signature]

Domenico Grasso, Chancellor
University of Michigan-Dearborn

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST:  Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME:  Claudia S. Kocher

CURRENT TITLE:  Associate Professor of Finance, with tenure, College of Business

ADDITIONAL TITLE:  Interim Associate Dean, College of Business

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

On the recommendation of the dean of the College of Business, and the provost and executive vice chancellor for academic affairs, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Claudia S. Kocher as interim associate dean, College of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

Professor Kocher joined UM-Dearborn, College of Business, in 1993. She received her Ph.D. in Finance at Michigan State University and her M.B.A. from Marquette University. She holds a Bachelor of Science in nursing from Illinois Wesleyan University. She was the associate dean of administration for the College of Business 2013 to 2019.

Professor Kocher has served the university well in research, teaching, and service related to curriculum development, assessment, and governance. She has published in several refereed journals including the Journal of Applied Business Research, Financial Practice and Education, and the Journal of Financial Education.

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Claudia S. Kocher as interim associate dean, College of Business, effective September 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

Recommended by:

Domenico Grasso, Chancellor
University of Michigan-Dearborn

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment and Additional Academic Administrative Appointment

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TITLE BEING RENEWED: Vice Provost for Research, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Dean of Graduate Studies, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2023 through July 1, 2026

On the recommendation of the provost and executive vice chancellor for academic affairs, I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Armen Zakarian as vice provost for research, and the additional appointment as dean of graduate studies, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, effective September 1, 2023 through July 1, 2026.

Armen Zakarian received a B.S. in mechanical engineering (with honors) in 1990 from Yerevan Polytechnic University, a M.S. in industrial and systems engineering in 1993 from the University of Southern California, and a Ph.D. in industrial engineering from the University of Iowa in 1997.

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The vice provost for research role has been instrumental in supporting and enhancing the research and scholarship culture on campus and creating a robust environment conducive to more active, engaged, and consequential research. Working closely with UM-Dearborn’s provost, college deans, the Office of Institutional Advancement, as well as the UM Office of Research in Ann Arbor and the Office of Research at UM-Flint, Professor Zakarian has set the strategic goals and direction for research development and administration on the campus. He has been responsible for increasing research opportunities and improving success in attracting research support, as well as identifying emerging research areas. As the dean of graduate studies, Professor Zakarian, in collaboration with the deans, will grow graduate research and programs in all four colleges, represent UM-Dearborn at the Rackham Executive Board, and oversee the Environmental Interpretive Center.

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Armen Zakarian as vice provost for research, and the additional appointment as dean of graduate studies, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, effective September 1, 2023 through July 1, 2026.

Recommended by:

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Domenico Grasso, Chancellor
University of Michigan-Dearborn

September 2023
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - FLINT

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

NAME: Aviva B. Dorfman

CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of Education, with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences

RECOMMENDED TITLE: Professor of Education, with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

It is recommended that Aviva B. Dorfman, associate professor of education, with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences, be promoted to professor of education, with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences, effective September 1, 2023

Academic Degrees:
1997 Ph.D. University of Michigan
1990 Ed.M. Harvard Graduate School of Education
1986 B.A. Mills College

Professional Record:
2009 – present Associate Professor, with tenure, Department of Education, University of Michigan-Flint
2002 – 2009 Assistant professor of Education, Department of Education, University of Michigan-Flint

Summary of Evaluation:
Teaching: Professor Dorfman is an exceptional teacher, committed to teaching that facilitates students to think deeply, reflect, and make research informed decisions as they transition to working with children. She extends this ideal to advising students. All evaluations emphasize her commitment to student learning as well as her own. The peer evaluation of her online course celebrated her attention to improvement and flexibility to adapt to a new online environment.

Scholarship: Between 2009 and 2019, Professor Dorfman provided 19 professional development activities for practitioners. Some topics include professional development on the assessment of young children, and others on encouraging and using play as a site for student learning. Sites ranged from our own institution (i.e., the Early Childhood Development Center) to those in Genesee County and across the state. Between 2011-2021, Professor Dorfman presented her work eight of the eleven years at conferences. These included an invited keynote and conference presentations. Professor Dorfman authored five papers published between 2014-2022.
Significant and Recent Publications:


Service: Professor Dorfman’s commitment to service of the department, school, university and community is exceptional. Professor Dorfman commitment to program development resulted in the development of multiple elementary and early childhood programs. At the university level, Professor Dorfman contributed to the development of the Bylaws for UM-Flint. As a member of the Faculty Senate Council, Professor Dorfman continues to contribute in leadership roles. Professor Dorfman also contributes to a variety of organizations, including her board appointment to the Mott Community College Advisory Board, Genesee County Great State Collaborative, and as a past member of the Education Board of the Flint Children’s Museum.

External Reviewers:
Reviewer (A): “I am on the editorial board for the Journal of Early Childhood Teacher Education, and I recognized her 2019 article, ‘Learning to contribute: Text connections in early childhood teacher education’ as one of the finalists for the outstanding article of the year for the journal. Although the article did not win the final award, it demonstrates the meaningful contribution that this article which was co-authored with faculty members, Drs. Kenny, Lee, and Dunham makes to the field of early childhood teacher education, and it also demonstrates the high regard her peer early childhood teacher educators felt that her article contributed to the field.”

Reviewer (B): “Dr. Dorfman’s reflection on her teaching has been a good source of research that in turn impacts her teaching. This is noteworthy as it models being a reflective practitioner to her students.”

Reviewer (C): “I appreciate and admire Dr. Dorfman’s scholarly agenda to not only add to the literature in the field but to serve as a much-needed reminder of what many of our children are missing in their development.”

Reviewer (D): “Dr. Dorfman offers a rare gift that combines an ability to juggle multiple responsibilities in teaching, research and service for a thriving institution and remain committed to following her passions and interests. Most impressively she has been able to raise up voices of the children and community members in Flint using constructivist and creative approaches from ECE origins (Dorfman & Kenney, 2020).”

Reviewer (E): “Dr. Dorfman’s scholarship reflects growth and development, is consistent over time and directly related to her teaching and to her work in the field of early childhood education....”

Reviewer (F): “Dr. Dorfman has not only earned recognition across the years as an outstanding teacher
she has applied her passion for the field in her research, writing and presentations.”

Reviewer (G): “First, I do believe her work demonstrates significant accomplishment and future promise. Her articles clearly describe carefully designed and purposeful curriculum elements and activities. This work is of high theoretical importance and makes a recognizable contribution to the field. Through this work, Dr. Dorfman also evidences continued professional growth and productivity.”

Summary of Recommendation:
Professor Dorfman’s teaching is exceptional, her research timely and applicable, and her service extends throughout the university and community. With the support of the peer committee, the department chair, and the Executive Committee of the School of Education and Human Services, I recommend Aviva B. Dorfman for promotion to professor of education, with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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Douglas Knerr, Interim Dean
College of Arts and Sciences

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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Sonja Feist-Price                  Donna Kay Fry
Provost and Vice Chancellor        Interim Chancellor
For Academic Affairs               University of Michigan-Flint

September 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Promotion Approval

NAME: Jessica L. Tischler

CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of Chemistry, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology

RECOMMENDED TITLE: Professor of Chemistry, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

It is recommended that Jessica L. Tischler, associate professor of chemistry, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology, be promoted to professor of chemistry, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology, effective September 1, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
2001 Ph.D. Michigan State University
1995 B.S. Saginaw Valley State University

Professional Record:
2008 – present Associate Professor of Chemistry, University of Michigan-Flint
2001 – 2008 Assistant Professor of Chemistry, University of Michigan-Flint

Summary of Evaluation:
Teaching: Professor Tischler has been teaching the organic chemistry lecture and laboratory classes in addition to Advanced Organic Chemistry and Spectroscopy of Organic Compounds. She also teaches the Junior and Senior seminar series, where her dedication to student engagement through collaborative research has been a hallmark of her service to the program. Professor Tischler is the key member of the chemistry faculty for program development and revision, including pre-professional concentration, course/program revision, and the Green Chemistry program. Professor Tischler has been the sole pre-pharmacy advisor and has incorporated advising in undergraduate research.

Scholarship: Professor Tischler’s research focus is Green Chemistry and Green Chemistry Education. Green Chemistry applies to all areas of chemistry and applies innovative scientific solutions to real-world environmental problems. Since Professor Tischler’s promotion to associate professor, her research and scholarship has resulted in 24 documented activities, including three peer reviewed publications, seven research posters, fourteen chemical education posters, and involved ten of her undergraduate students in posters and presentations. Her research and publications are critical to the visibility, growth, and sustainability of the Green Chemistry program.
Significant and Recent Publications:


Service: Professor Tischler’s service since she received promotion to associate professor has been consistent, impactful, and recognized on our campus through numerous awards. Professor Tischler served as the department chair of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry for six years between 2012-2018, during which she did extensive curriculum development and launched the new Green Chemistry program. During her tenure as the department chair, Professor Tischler completed three major program reviews for the university and the American Chemical Society. She has served as a faculty advisor for the University of Michigan-Flint Chemistry Club since 2002, and the Club has been recognized nationally for their outstanding chapter by the American Chemical Society.

External Reviewers:
Reviewer (A): “Professor Tischler’s research progress and scholarly work compare very well, and in many areas exceed, faculty recently promoted to Professor in the STEM disciplines at [my institution]. I would be thrilled to have faculty with Professor Tischler’s commitment and passion in my department.”

Reviewer (B): “In the area of curricular development, the work that was done by Professor Tischler and the department to develop the first example of a BS in green chemistry has set her and her department apart.”

Reviewer (C): “Professor Tischler’s scholarship is both scientifically and pedagogically relevant in the areas of alternative reaction media for cross-coupling methodologies as well as structures and activities for student outreach.”

Reviewer (D): “I do not believe you could ask for a better faculty member and certainly believe that she merits recognition of her efforts by promotion to professor.”

Reviewer (E): “I hope that Professor Tischler continues to build her Green Chemistry efforts as they are producing tangible production in research and adding to the scholarship of the teaching community.”
Summary of Recommendation:
Professor Tischler is an accomplished, engaged, creative, and passionate member of the UM-Flint faculty who richly deserves promotion to professor and exceeded the standards in all three domains. She will unquestionably continue to lead her discipline, department, college, and university in the true spirit of the vision and mission of UM-Flint. With the support of the Executive Committee of the College of Arts and Sciences, I recommend Jessica L. Tischler for promotion to professor of chemistry, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology, effective September 1, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Christopher Pearson, Dean
College of Innovation and Technology

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Sonja Feist-Price
Provost and Vice Chancellor
For Academic Affairs

Donna Kay Fry
Interim Chancellor
University of Michigan-Flint

September 2023
It is recommended that Stephen W. Turner, associate professor of computer science, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology, be promoted to professor of computer science, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology, effective September 1, 2023.

Academic Degrees:
1995  Ph.D.  Michigan State University
1989  M.S.  Michigan State University
1987  B.S.  Western Michigan University

Professional Record:
2006 – present  Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science, University of Michigan-Flint
2000 – 2006  Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, University of Michigan-Flint

Summary of Evaluation:
Teaching: Professor Turner is an accomplished teacher committed to student learning as evidenced by his ongoing investment towards evolving his instructional approaches based on critical reflection of his own teaching practices. Since his last promotion, Professor Turner has taught a wide array of courses across the curriculum, including two introductory programming courses, numerous core courses in computer science both at the undergraduate and graduate level, as well as courses in computer information systems. In addition to his numerous classroom-related activities, Professor Turner is actively involved in program creation and development, program assessment, and student mentorship.

Scholarship: Professor Turner’s research in computer science has spanned multiple topics during his career as he has published articles in parallel and distributed systems, networking, smart cities, intelligent transportation, and computer science pedagogy. Of the 18 refereed publications since his last promotion, nearly half are in computer science education.
Significant and Recent Publications:


Service: Professor Turner has demonstrated a high level of service to his program, department, college, university, and professional community. He made contributions to the development of BS programs in Data Analytics and Cybersecurity, and a MS program in Data Analytics. He served three years as the chair of the Department of Computer Science, Engineering, and Physics, which was one of the largest departments on the campus, and he also served on numerous faculty search committees within that department. He co-authored the proposal that helped fund the College of Innovation and Technology and serves as its representative to the campus transformation project. His university level service is significant and includes numerous committees, Chancellor’s Search Advisory Committee, General Education Design Committee, Chancellor’s Advisory Committee for Budget and Strategic Planning, Faculty Council, FYE Program Review Committee, and General Education Program and Assessment Review Committee. His service contributions were recognized by his receipt of the UM-Flint Distinguished Service Award in 2014. Professor Turner served as the associate provost and dean of graduate programs for four years, chaired the HLC Re-Accreditation Steering Committee, co-chaired the HLC Quality Initiative, and served as a representative to the Rackham Executive Board. He also chaired the Michigan Association of State Universities Accreditation Liaison Officer Committee.

External Reviewers:
Reviewer (A): “He has had an impact in the field of computer science education. … Towards a Flipped Cyber Classroom to Facilitate Active Learning Strategies, is particularly interesting in light of changes to teaching modalities since the pandemic.”

Reviewer (B): “These papers are all well written…”

Reviewer (C): “His paper in SIGITE’11 titled ‘Implementing IT0/CS0 With Scratch, App Inventor for Android, and Lego Mindstorms,’ was good. It received a Meritorious Paper Award from the conference.”
Reviewer (D): “…the quality and publication venues are somewhat in line with what is expected from faculty who have a heavy teaching load such as at Turner’s institution…”


Reviewer (F): “The quality of several of these publications are good, representing the potential scholarly work of the candidate.”

Reviewer (G): “I am impressed by Dr. Turner’s overall work and achievements, in terms of teaching, research, and services.”

Summary of Recommendation:
Professor Turner is an accomplished educator who continues to reflect and refine his teaching. He has made an impact in the field of computer science education, and he has also been successful in resuming a research program that was affected by administrative appointments. His service contributions are extensive and varied. In concurrence with his promotion committee, I recommend Stephen W. Turner for promotion to professor of computer science, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Christopher Pearson, Dean
College of Innovation and Technology

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Sonja Feist-Price
Provost and Vice Chancellor
For Academic Affairs

Donna Kay Fry
Interim Chancellor
University of Michigan-Flint

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Recommendations for approval of reappointments
of regular instructional staff and selected academic and administrative staff
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ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Academic Administrative Appointment

NAME: Christopher A. Pearson

CURRENT TITLES: Dean, College of Innovation and Technology, and Professor of Physics, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Dean, College of Innovation and Technology

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

The provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs is pleased to recommend the reappointment of Christopher A. Pearson as dean, College of Innovation and Technology, effective November 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

Christopher Pearson received his Ph.D. degree from the University of Minnesota in 1995, and his B.A. from Hamline University, St. Paul, MN in 1989. After two years as a post-doctoral researcher in UC Davis, he joined the faculty at the University of Michigan-Flint in 1998 as an assistant professor of physics, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2004, and to professor in 2011.

Themes emphasized by faculty and staff through administrative evaluations include Dean Pearson’s commitment to the university and the College of Innovation and Technology, strong leadership and communication skills, and effective collaboration in developing and executing the mission and vision of the College.

Since joining the University of Michigan-Flint, Dean Pearson’s administrative appointments include interim chair, and later chair of Computer Science, Engineering, and Physics from 2008 until 2015, interim associate dean, and later associate dean, of the College of Arts and Sciences from 2015 until 2020, and the dean of the College of Innovation and Technology since 2020 until present. Dean Pearson has an outstanding service record that includes serving as a member of the University of Michigan-Flint Chancellor’s Advisory Committee for Budget and Strategic Planning, and the University of Michigan Honorary Degree Committee.

Dean Pearson’s research and scholarly activities have been extensive; he has published in top peer reviewed journals and conference proceedings, and given numerous professional presentations.

I am pleased to recommend the reappointment of Christopher A. Pearson as dean, College of Innovation and Technology, effective November 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Sonja Feist-Price, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Donna Kay Fry, Interim Chancellor University of Michigan - Flint

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UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - FLINT

Recommendations for approval of joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff
I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Donna K. Fry as interim chancellor, University of Michigan-Flint, effective August 18, 2023. Dean Fry will continue in this role until such time as a new chancellor of the University of Michigan-Flint is installed.

As interim chancellor, Dean Fry will serve as the chief executive officer for the Flint campus and will also serve as an executive officer of the University of Michigan.

Since her appointment as the dean of the College of Health Sciences, she has led the college through strategic envisioning, planning and implementation to restructure the college and has added multiple health programs including Occupational Therapy Doctorate, Physician Assistant Masters, and the BS completion program in Respiratory Therapy. Dean Fry has supported faculty in continued growth of community outreach and promoted diversity, equity, and inclusion advances within the college.

Dean Fry served as the interim dean from September 2015 through December 15, 2015, and was appointed as the dean on December 16, 2015. She served as the acting associate director in 2001, interim director in 2006, 2007, and director of the Department of Physical Therapy from 2007-2010. For the school, she served as the interim dean from 2010-2011, special assistant to the dean from 2011-2012, and associate dean from 2012-2015.

Dean Fry’s research activities have been extensive including the publication of 25 peer reviewed journal articles, clinical practice guidelines, over 90 peer reviewed scientific and professional presentations, and the development of a patent. Her co-authored grant writing has been phenomenal garnering over $4 million of funding. She is the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award from the School of Kinesiology, University of Michigan; Silver Quill Award for Qualitative and Quantitative Research from the Canadian Physiotherapy Association; Chancellor's Appreciation Award; Degenerative Disease Special Interest Group Service Award-Neurology Section from the American Physical Therapy Association; and several others.
Dean Fry holds a B.S. in physical therapy (1982), M.S. in kinesiology (1987), and Ph.D. in kinesiology (1998) all from the University of Michigan. She also holds a physical therapy licensure and is a certified clinical instructor with the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA). Dean Fry joined the faculty at the University of Michigan-Flint as a lecturer in 1987 and was appointed as an assistant professor in 1998, was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2004, and to professor in 2009.

It is with distinct pleasure that I recommend the appointment of Donna K. Fry as interim chancellor, University of Michigan-Flint, effective August 18, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]
Santa J. Ono
President

August 2023
ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Shandowyn L. Parker

CURRENT TITLES: Associate Dean for Program Support, and Associate Professor of Health Education, with tenure, College of Health Sciences

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Acting Dean, and Associate Professor of Health Education, with tenure, College of Health Sciences

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 18, 2023

The provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs is pleased to recommend the appointment of Shandowyn L. Parker as acting dean, College of Health Sciences, effective August 18, 2023.

Shandowyn Parker received her B.Sc. degree from the University of South Alabama in 1993, M.P.H. degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 1995, and her Ph.D. also from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 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. She served as the associate director of academic programs in health education from 2013-2019, the associate director for Public Health Program from 2017-2018, the interim director for the Department of Public Health and Health Sciences in 2018. She was appointed as the director of the Department of Public Health and Health Sciences in 2018 and concurrently appointed as the associate dean for program support of the College of Health Sciences in 2022.

Professor Parker served as the associate director for Health Education and Community Wellness at the University of Michigan-Flint Urban Health and Wellness Center from 2008-2013, is a member of the American Public Health Association, Society of Public Health Educators, and Tau Sigma Gamma National Health Education Honor Society.

Professor Parker’s research background has focused on racial and ethnic populations and health disparities research using community based participatory research principles and community engagement to inform and direct her research interests. She has focused efforts on working with underserved populations, specifically African Americans, in addressing disease prevention, and has worked in many areas to develop culturally tailored interventions for minority populations. Her publications appeared, among others, in *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, *Health Equity*, *Geriatrics and Gerontology International*, *Public Health*, and *Journal of Health Disparities Research and Practice.*
I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Shandowyn L. Parker as acting dean, College of Health Sciences, effective August 18, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Sonja Feist-Price, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Donna Kay Fry, Interim Chancellor University of Michigan - Flint

Santa J. Ono President

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ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Jeannette Stein

CURRENT TITLES: Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs, and Associate Professor of Psychology, with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Interim Dean, and Associate Professor of Psychology, with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

The provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs is pleased to recommend the appointment of Jeannette Stein as interim dean, College of Arts and Sciences, effective September 1, 2023.

Jeannette Stein received her B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of Toledo in 1994 and 1997, respectively, and her Ph.D. from the University of Toledo in 2002. She joined the faculty at the University of Michigan-Flint in 2005 as an assistant professor and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2012. She served as the chair of the Department of Psychology from 2016 - 2020, as the interim associate dean from 2020-2021, and the acting chair of the Department of Social Sciences and Humanities in winter 2021. She was appointed the associate dean for faculty affairs in 2021.

Professor Stein is a University of Michigan-Flint representative for the Midwestern Psychological Association and the college representative for Michigan Transfer Network. Her service contributions include serving on numerous committees in the college and the university including the College of Arts and Sciences Executive Committee, Academic Standards Committee, and the Strategic Planning Committee; Commit to Flint Mott Partnership Team, the Retention and Persistence Team, and the Academic Affairs Advisory Committee. Professor Stein’s primary research interests include functions of the right hemisphere, asymmetry in decision making, belief updating and handedness. Her publications appeared in *Laterality: Asymmetries of Body, Brain and Cognition*, *Language and Cognition*, *Journal of Individual Differences*, *Journal of Psycholinguistic Research*, and *Infant Behavior and Development*. 

Approved by the Regents
September 21, 2023
I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Jeannette Stein as interim dean, College of Arts and Sciences, effective September 1, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Sonja Feist-Price, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Donna Kay Fry, Interim Chancellor
University of Michigan - Flint

Santa J. Ono
President

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

ACTION REQUEST: Change in Title
NAME: Lee Cruppenink
CURRENT TITLE: Regional School Registrar, Office of the Registrar, University of Michigan - Flint
RECOMMENDED TITLE: University Registrar, Office of the Registrar, University of Michigan-Flint
EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2023

The provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs is pleased to recommend a change in title for Lee Cruppenink from regional school registrar, to university registrar, Office of the Registrar, University of Michigan-Flint, effective September 1, 2023.

Lee Cruppenink earned his Master of Education at Saginaw Valley State University in 2006, and the Education Specialist degree at the University of Michigan-Flint in 2013. In his current role as the university’s registrar, Mr. Cruppenink maintains student data and records, supervises development of the semester calendar, course schedule, catalog, the posting of grades and policy/procedure revisions; prepares and oversees preparation of special and periodic reports; interprets academic and federal regulations to faculty, staff, and students; and serves on academic and administrative policy-making committees. Per the review of the titles of staff handling corresponding duties on the University of Michigan Ann Arbor and University of Michigan Dearborn campuses, as well as those of Mr. Cruppenink’s predecessor at the Flint Campus, Mr. Cruppenink’s duties and responsibilities are consistent with the title of university registrar.

Mr. Cruppenink serves on multiple committees across the campus, including the University Curriculum Committee, University Appeal Committee, and the University Academic Advising Committee. In addition, he serves on the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers and the Michigan Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers.

We are pleased to recommend a change in title for Lee Cruppenink from regional school registrar, to university registrar, Office of the Registrar, effective September 1, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY: Sonja Feist-Price, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY: Donna Kay Fry, Interim Chancellor University of Michigan-Flint

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ACTION REQUEST: Transfer of Faculty Appointment and Tenure

NAME: Greg Rybarczyk

CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of Geography, with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences

RECOMMENDED TITLE: Associate Professor of Geography, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2023

I am pleased to recommend the transfer of appointment and tenure for Greg Rybarczyk from associate professor of geography, with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences, to associate professor of geography, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology, effective August 28, 2023.

Direct responsibility for the oversight of this faculty member will reside with the dean of the College of Innovation and Technology. The faculty member affected by this transfer of appointment and tenure will retain all rights and responsibilities to which he is entitled as a faculty member in the College of Innovation and Technology.

I am pleased to recommend the transfer of the faculty appointment and tenure for Greg Rybarczyk from associate professor of geography, with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences, to associate professor of geography, with tenure, College of Innovation and Technology, effective August 28, 2023.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Christopher Pearson, Dean
College of Innovation and Technology

Douglas Knerr, Interim Dean
College of Arts and Sciences

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

Sonja Feist-Price, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Donna Kay Fry, Interim Chancellor
University of Michigan-Flint

September 2023