

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN**

*Regents Communication*

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Recommendations for approval of new appointments  
and promotions for regular associate and full professor ranks,  
with tenure

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS' COMMUNICATION**

Approved by the Regents  
November 15, 2007

ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval  
NAME: Mario Delmar, M.D., Ph.D.  
TITLE: Professor of Internal Medicine  
TENURE STATUS: With Tenure  
EFFECTIVE DATE: November 15, 2007  
APPOINTMENT PERIOD: 12 Months

On the recommendation of Robert F. Todd III, M.D., Ph.D., the J. Griswold Ruth M.D. & Margery Hopkins Ruth Professor and Interim Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Mario Delmar, M.D., Ph.D., as Professor of Internal Medicine, with tenure, effective November 15, 2007.

Dr. Delmar received the M.D. degree in 1980 from the Universidad Autonoma Metropolitana in Mexico City, and the Ph.D. degree in physiology and biophysics from Centro de Investigacion y Estudios Avanzados, Instituto Politecnico Nacional in Mexico City in 1986. Upon receipt of his Ph.D. degree, Dr. Delmar was appointed Research Assistant Professor of Pharmacology at SUNY Upstate Medical University in Syracuse, New York. In 1988, he joined the Instructional Track faculty at that institution and rose through the academic ranks to achieve his current title of Professor of Pharmacology, with tenure, in 1997.

Dr. Delmar's research interests focus on cellular and subcellular bases of cardiac rhythm disturbances and regulation of gap-junction channels. His work is at the leading edge in the gap-junction field. He is a prolific scholar, with his bibliography reflecting 62 peer-reviewed articles and three additional manuscripts in press. He also has contributed to two books, 24 book chapters, numerous invited articles, and one patent. Dr. Delmar's research currently is funded by an NIH RO1 grant, and he also is principal investigator on a project of an NIH Program Project. He provides significant national service through his membership on NIH site visit teams and study sections, as well as his activities as an ad hoc reviewer for the NIH, the American Heart Association, and the American College of Cardiology. He has served as a guest editor for the *Journal of Cardiovascular Electrophysiology* and for the publication *Cell Communication and Adhesion*.

### Recent and Significant Publications

Morley GE, Taffet SM, Delmar M: Intramolecular interactions mediate pH regulation of connexin43 channels. *Biophysical J* 70:1294-1302, 1996.

Duffy HS, Sorgen PL, Girvin ME, O'Donnell P, Coombs W, Taffet SM, Delmar M, Spray DC: pH-Dependent intramolecular binding and structure involving Cx43 cytoplasmic domains. *J Biol Chem* 277(39):36706-36714, 2002.

Seki A, Duffy HS, Coombs W, Spray DC, Taffet SM, Delmar M: Modifications in the biophysical properties of connexin43 channels by a peptide of the cytoplasmic loop region. *Circulation Res* 95: e22-e28, 2004.

Shibayama J, Lewandowski R, Kieken F, Coombs W, Shah S, Sorgen PL, Taffett SM, Delmar M: Identification of a novel peptide that interferes with the chemical regulation of connexin43. *Circulation Res* 98:1365-1372, 2006.

Oxford EM, Musa H, Maass K, Coombs W, Taffet SM, Delmar M: Connexin43 remodeling caused by inhibition of plakophilin-w expression in cardiac cells. *Circulation Res* (online) 020807.

At his current institution, Dr. Delmar has provided lectures in medical pharmacology, medical physiology, and cell physiology and neurobiology. He has mentored numerous graduate students and postdoctoral fellows, with a large number of his students receiving awards and fellowships while in training, which further attests to Dr. Delmar's mentoring abilities. At the University of Michigan, it is planned that Dr. Delmar will participate in the basic cardiovascular research lecture series and grand rounds presentations and in the research training and mentoring of junior faculty, fellows, and graduate students. A joint appointment in a basic science department will be considered after Dr. Delmar's arrival at Michigan which will provide him with additional teaching opportunities. Dr. Delmar's expertise is further recognized through his extramural invited lectures and seminars, with more than 70 presentations being given at professional meetings and academic institutions in the United States, Europe, and Asia. He has been a visiting professor at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and a distinguished visiting professor at the Heart and Vascular Center at Case Western Reserve University.

External Review: Brief excerpts from external reviewers are provided below:

Reviewer A: "All of Dr. Delmar's work appears in high quality journals such as the *Biophysical Journal* and *Circulation Research*. The majority of journals Dr. Delmar has published his work in are in the top 25% of the bioscience journals with regard to impact factor. Another important indicator of the high regard other researchers have for Dr. Delmar's work are the citations to his work."

Reviewer B: “He has been a huge asset to the field and will be a major asset in all sorts of ways to any institution lucky enough to attract him.”

Reviewer C: “Possibly the best indicator of the regard in which Mario is held is his ability to recruit young scientists to his research group and the success of these scientists after leaving his group. Mentors universally attempt to place their trainees in labs where they see a positive, productive environment conducive to their mentees continued growth and success. That Mario creates such an environment in his research group is evident by their—both students and postdoctoral fellows—success while in that environment as well as their prosperity after leaving that environment.”

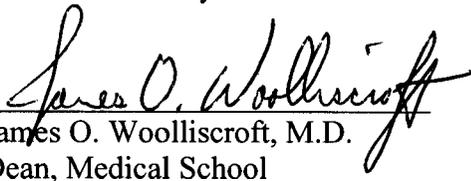
Reviewer D: “Dr. Delmar has risen to the leadership level in the field not only because of his fecund imagination and energy, but also because he has successfully continued to apply new, breaking methodologies to his investigations.”

Reviewer E: “The impressive record of Dr. Delmar, who published almost all his articles in highly ranked journals, speaks for itself. Dr. Delmar is recognized for his work worldwide and is one of the most important peers in his field.”

Dr. Delmar is being recruited to the University of Michigan to serve as Director of Basic Science in the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine and Co-Director of the Arrhythmia Research Center in the Department of Internal Medicine. The letters from the external evaluators reflect his leadership and expertise as an investigator and support his reputation as being among the two or three best in his field.

Dr. Delmar has a national and international reputation as a scientist and educator. He is the first and a key player in the team of outstanding investigators being recruited by the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine to develop an Arrhythmia Research Center at the University of Michigan. I am very pleased to recommend the appointment of Mario Delmar, M.D., Ph.D., as Professor of Internal Medicine, with tenure.

Recommended by

  
James O. Woolliscroft, M.D.  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by

  
Robert P. Kelch, M.D.  
Executive Vice President for  
Medical Affairs

  
Teresa A. Sullivan, Ph.D., Provost  
and Executive Vice President for  
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Recommendations for approval of reappointments  
of regular instructional staff and selected academic administrative staff

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November 15, 2007

**ACTION REQUEST:** Renewal of an Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

**NAME:** Marc A. Zimmerman

**CURRENT TITLES:** Professor of Health Behavior and Health Education, with tenure, and Chair of the Department of Health Behavior and Health Education, School of Public Health; and Professor of Psychology, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

**TITLE BEING RENEWED:** Chair, Department of Health Behavior and Health Education, School of Public Health

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2010

The Dean and Executive Committee of the School of Public Health recommend the reappointment of Marc A. Zimmerman as chair of the Department of Health Behavior and Health Education, effective January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2010.

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

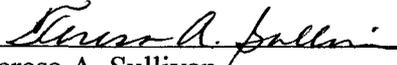
Professor Zimmerman has a well-deserved international reputation in the field of health behavior and health education and in his parent discipline of community psychology. His research has consistently focused on identifying individual and community assets, resiliency, and success in the face of adversity. He has published on a wide variety of topics including adolescent violence, sexual behavior, and substance abuse; HIV/AIDS prevention; and empowerment theory. His seminal publications on community empowerment theory and methods are widely cited among international scholars. Since 1997, he has served as the editor of the premier journal in the field of health behavior and health education while continuing to publish original and important papers of his own from externally funded research projects. His courses consistently receive excellent evaluations and he is a conscientious mentor to both masters and doctoral students.

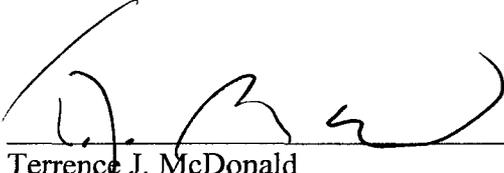
Professor Zimmerman is very highly respected by his colleagues, and he provides strong and effective leadership for the department. The Executive Committee and I endorse with enthusiasm the proposal that he be reappointed as chair of the Department of Health Behavior and Health Education, effective January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2010.

RECOMMENDED BY:

  
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Kenneth E. Warner  
Avedis Donabedian Distinguished  
University Professor of Public Health and  
Dean, School of Public Health

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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Teresa A. Sullivan  
Provost and Executive Vice-President for  
Academic Affairs

  
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Terrence J. McDonald  
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor,  
Professor and Dean,  
College of Literature, Science and the Arts

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Recommendations for approval of joint or additional appointments  
or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected  
academic administrative staff

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ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Farnam Jahanian

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

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Interim Co-Chair, Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, and Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, with tenure, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 1, 2007

The Dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering recommend the appointment of Farnam Jahanian as interim co-chair of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science effective November 1, 2007 and continuing until a permanent chair is appointed. Brian Gilchrist is the other co-chair. Professor Gilchrist will be head of the division of Electrical and Computer Engineering and Professor Jahanian will be head of the division of Computer Science and Engineering, both divisions make up the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. The co-chairs will share responsibility for departmental issues that span the divisions.

Professor Jahanian received his B.S. in mathematics, computer science, and system design from the University of Texas at San Antonio in 1982, and his M.S. and Ph.D. in computer science from the University of Texas at Austin in 1987 and 1989, respectively. He was employed as a research staff member by IBM from 1989 through 1993, joined the University of Michigan as an assistant professor in September of 1993 and was promoted to professor in 2001. His interests include distributed computing, network security, and network protocols and architectures. He has authored over 80 published research papers and served on dozens of advisory boards and government panels in recent years. He has received numerous awards and was the 2005 recipient of the Governor's University Award for Commercialization Excellence.

Professor Jahanian has the respect of his colleagues and will provide strong administrative leadership as the Department goes through an important transition. His appointment as interim co-chair of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, effective November 1, 2007, is strongly recommended.

RECOMMENDED BY:

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



David C. Munson, Jr.  
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  
College of Engineering



Teresa A. Sullivan  
Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

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ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Dawn M. Tilbury

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

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, without tenure, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2007

On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering and with the endorsements of the Department of Mechanical Engineering and the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, I am pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Dawn M. Tilbury as professor of electrical engineering and computer science, without tenure, in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2007.

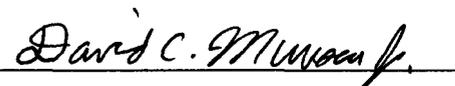
Professor Tilbury received a B.S. degree in electrical engineering in 1989 from the University of Minnesota. She received a M.S. in electrical engineering from the University of California, Berkeley in 1992. She continued on to receive her Ph.D. in electrical engineering and computer science in 1994. After receiving her Ph.D., Professor Tilbury joined the University of Michigan as an assistant professor of mechanical engineering. She was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2001 and to professor in 2007.

Professor Tilbury's research interests include logic control for manufacturing systems and networked control systems. She currently works with the Engineering Resource Center for Reconfigurable Machining Systems to develop modular control systems. Using a Reconfigurable Factory Testbed, her research group implements many of the control methodologies they develop. Professor Tilbury also works with colleagues at IBM in the application of control theory to computing systems. Additional research involves work in nonlinear control. Professor Tilbury has taught several graduate and undergraduate courses and developed a set of web-based tutorials to introduce students to the use of Matlab for the design and analysis of control systems. These tutorials won an Undergraduate Computational Science Award in 2003 from the US Department of Energy.

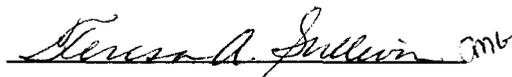
With this additional appointment, Professor Tilbury is ideally suited to assist the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science by her active involvement with research and students. I am pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Dawn M. Tilbury as professor of electrical engineering and computer science, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2007.

Recommended by:

Recommendation endorsed by:



David C. Munson, Jr.  
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  
College of Engineering



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**4**

Establishing and renaming professorships and selected  
academic administrative positions.

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November 15, 2007

ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Richard B. Couch Professorship in Naval Architecture and  
Marine Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 1, 2007

The Dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering request the establishment of the Richard B. Couch Professorship in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, effective November 1, 2007.

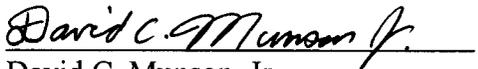
John C. Couch has provided a gift of \$2,000,000 to establish and support an endowed professorship to be known as the Richard B. Couch Professorship in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering. The holder will be a professor in the College of Engineering who will be appointed to the professorship for five-year renewable terms and first priority will be given to individuals working in the field of Advanced Marine Technology.

John C. Couch is establishing this professorship in honor of his late father, Richard B. Couch, a former University of Michigan Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering professor, department chair, and director of its Ship Hydrodynamics Laboratory. John C. Couch is presently the president and CEO of C.M. Capital Foundation of San Francisco, CA, and a former graduate of the University of Michigan, College of Engineering's Department of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering.

The College of Engineering is grateful to John C. Couch for his generosity and support. In recognition of this significant gift, we request that the Regents formally establish the Richard B. Couch Professorship in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, effective November 1, 2007.

RECOMMENDED BY:

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

  
David C. Munson, Jr.  
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  
College of Engineering

  
Teresa A. Sullivan,  
Provost and Executive  
Vice President for Academic Affairs

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**ACTION REQUEST:** Establishment of a Collegiate Professorship

**NAME:** George Dock Collegiate Professorship in Internal Medicine

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** November 15, 2007

On the recommendation of Robert F. Todd III, M.D., Ph.D., the Frances and Victor Ginsberg Professor of Hematology/Oncology and Interim Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the George Dock Collegiate Professorship in Internal Medicine, effective November 15, 2007.

This collegiate professorship is made possible through departmental resources, and is intended to support a tenured faculty member whose work contributes to significant and innovative scholarship within the Department of Internal Medicine. The initial appointment period for the Dock Collegiate Professor will be five years, and the appointment may be renewed. This professorship will recognize the achievements of George Dock, M.D., one of the founders of the medical school at this institution. He was a Professor of Internal Medicine and served on the University of Michigan faculty from 1891-1908.

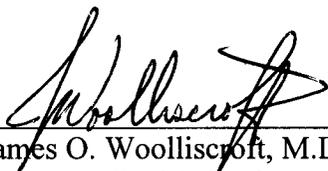
Dr. Dock received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1884 from the University of Pennsylvania. Shortly afterwards, he went to Europe to do clinical and laboratory research in pathology, bacteriology, and other fields. Provided with acquired new laboratory diagnostic techniques, he returned to the University of Pennsylvania to become assistant pathologist under his teacher, Dr. William Osler. His expertise caused Dr. Osler to speak of him as "a man who knows more about clinical procedures than anyone in the United States." A long successful career of teaching followed, with professorships at four leading medical schools: University of Texas, 1888-1891; University of Michigan 1891-1908; Tulane University 1908-1910; and Washington University, St. Louis, 1910-1922. During his time in St. Louis, Dr. Dock served both as Dean of the School and as Professor of Medicine. He was one of the first full-time professors of medicine in the United States.

When Dr. Dock came to the University of Michigan in 1891, he found no medical patients available for teaching purposes. He recruited Aldred Scott Warthin, a recent medical graduate, to be his assistant and, with the help of local clergy, they gathered enough patients to begin teaching. His diagnostic clinics were held in the amphitheater of the Catherine Street Hospital and several volumes of his lectures reside in the Bentley Historical Library.

Dr. Dock's love of books extended to the practical matter of a working library. When he came to the University of Michigan, he found that the medical library had only 60 medical periodicals, of which only one was complete. Dean Victor Vaughan appointed Dr. Dock as chair of the library committee and gave him a full budget for journals and books. By 1895, Dr. Dock had completed all journals already in the library and, by 1905, the library contained 13,455 bound volumes and 226 journals of which 99 were complete at that time. From 1906-1909, Dr. Dock served as President of the Medical Library Association.

Dr. Dock was widely known as a master clinician and diagnostician. His desire to structure an inspiring academic environment for teaching and the clinical practice of medicine established the groundwork for our medical school. I am very pleased, therefore, to recommend the establishment of the George Dock Collegiate Professorship in Internal Medicine.

Recommended by

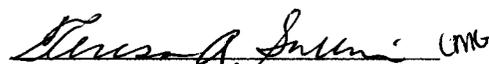


James O. Woolliscroft, M.D.  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by



Robert P. Kelch, M.D.  
Executive Vice President for  
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Teresa A. Sullivan, Ph.D., Provost  
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ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Vincent T. and Gloria M. Gorguze Professorship in Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 1, 2007

The Dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering request the establishment of the Vincent T. and Gloria M. Gorguze Professorship in Engineering, effective November 1, 2007.

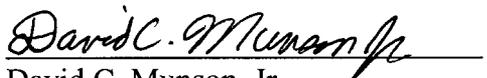
Vincent T. and Gloria M. Gorguze have provided a gift of \$1,500,000 to establish and support an endowed professorship to be known as the Vincent T. and Gloria M. Gorguze Professor in Engineering. The holder will be a professor in the College of Engineering who will be appointed to the professorship for five-year renewable terms.

Mr. Gorguze was one of the top management executives who were deeply involved in all phases of developing Emerson Electric Company from a \$150 million company in 1962 to a level of over \$2 billion in 1978. He retired from Emerson Electric in 1978 and began acquiring manufacturing companies on his own and established the Cameron Holdings Corporation where he serves as chairman. He earned a B.S. (1941) in metallurgical engineering from the University of Michigan, College of Engineering.

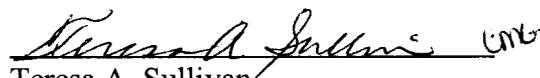
The College of Engineering is grateful to Vincent T. and Gloria M. Gorguze for their generosity and support. In recognition of this significant gift, we request that the Regents formally establish the Vincent T. and Gloria M. Gorguze Professorship in Engineering, effective November 1, 2007.

RECOMMENDED BY:

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



David C. Munson, Jr.  
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  
College of Engineering



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**ACTION REQUEST:** Establishment of an Endowed Professorship  
**NAME:** Peter A. Ward Professorship in Pathology  
**EFFECTIVE DATE:** November 15, 2007

On the recommendation of Jay L. Hess, 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 the Peter A. Ward Professorship in Pathology, effective November 15, 2007.

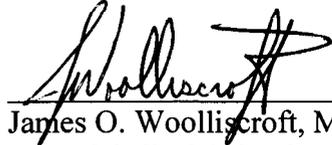
This professorship is made possible through funding from a departmental endowment account and will honor Dr. Ward and recognize his many contributions to the University of Michigan, as well as to the discipline of pathology. The Peter A. Ward Professorship in Pathology is intended to either recruit or facilitate the research of an outstanding researcher in the Department of Pathology, who, as with Dr. Ward, would pursue highly innovative, cutting-edge research in the pathophysiology of disease. Selection of the holder of this professorship will be based on a record of outstanding scholarly productivity and promise of future contributions. The initial appointment for the Ward Professor will be five years and the appointment may be renewed.

Dr. Ward joined the University of Michigan faculty in 1980 as Professor and Chair of the Department of Pathology. In 1987, he was named the first Godfrey D. Stobbe Professor of Pathology and he continues to hold this distinguished title. He served as department chair through 2005 and also as Interim Dean of the University of Michigan Medical School from 1982-1985.

Dr. Ward is internationally recognized for his research in the regulation of inflammatory response, and throughout his career has maintained a robust research program with uninterrupted funding from the National Institutes of Health. He has been recognized with numerous honors, including major awards from the American Society for Investigative Pathology: the Young Investigator Award, Rouse-Whipple Award, the Gold-Headed Cane Award and the Chugai Award for meritorious mentoring and scholarship. In addition, he is a Lifetime National Associate of the National Academies of Sciences, and, most recently, received the Medical Center Alumni Society Distinguished Service Award. Under his leadership, the Department of Pathology research program grew into one of the leading programs of its kind in the United States.

With an outstanding record of scholarly productivity, including nearly 600 publications in peer-reviewed journals, numerous invitations to speak at national and international meetings, as well as his leadership and dedication to the University of Michigan and to the discipline of pathology, the establishment of this endowed professorship would be a fitting recognition of Dr. Ward's many and varied contributions. I am very pleased to recommend the establishment of the Peter A. Ward Professorship in Pathology.

Recommended by

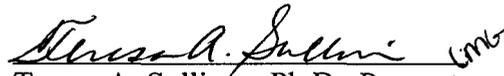


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Recommendation endorsed by



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Recommendations for approval of other personnel transactions  
for regular instructional staff and selected  
academic administrative staff

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ACTION REQUEST: Change in Title of an Academic Administrative Appointment  
for a Faculty Member

NAME: Brian E. Gilchrist

CURRENT TITLES: Interim Chair, Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer  
Science, Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, with  
tenure, and Professor of Atmospheric, Oceanic and Space Sciences,  
without tenure, College of Engineering

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Interim Co-Chair, Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer  
Science, Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, with  
tenure, and Professor of Atmospheric, Oceanic and Space Sciences,  
without tenure, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 1, 2007

It is recommended that the title of Brian E. Gilchrist be changed to interim co-chair of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science effective November 1, 2007 and continuing until a permanent chair is appointed. Professor Farnam Jahanian is being appointed as the other co-chair. The Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science is made up of the Divisions of Electrical and Computer Engineering and Computer Science and Engineering. Professor Gilchrist will be head of the Division of Electrical and Computer Engineering and Professor Jahanian, the Division of Computer Science and Engineering. The co-chairs will share responsibility for departmental issues that span the divisions.

Professor Gilchrist received his BS (1977) and MS (1979) degrees in electrical engineering both from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign and his PhD (1991), also in electrical engineering, from Stanford University. He began his academic career at the University of Michigan in 1991 as an assistant professor of electrical engineering and computer science and added an appointment as assistant professor of atmospheric, oceanic and space sciences in 1993. He was promoted to associate professor in both departments in 1997 and was tenured in electrical engineering and computer science at that time. In 2003 he was promoted to professor in both titles.

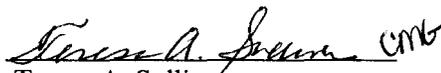
We recommend that the title of Brian E. Gilchrist be changed to interim co-chair of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, effective November 1, 2007.

RECOMMENDED BY:

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



David C. Munson, Jr.  
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering  
College of Engineering



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ACTION REQUEST: Appointment to an Endowed Visiting Professorship  
NAME: Carl Hoefler  
RECOMMENDED TITLE: Marshall M. Weinberg Endowed Distinguished Visiting Professor of  
Philosophy  
EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2008 through May 31, 2008

On the recommendation of the Chair of the Department of Philosophy and the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Carl Hoefler as the Marshall M. Weinberg Endowed Distinguished Visiting Professor of Philosophy for winter term 2008, effective January 1, 2008 through May 31, 2008.

The Weinberg Distinguished Visiting Professorship was created by a generous gift from Marshall M. Weinberg (Bachelor of Arts, 1950). This endowment enables the Department of Philosophy to appoint scholars bringing exciting new ideas and stimulating the ongoing philosophical enterprise. This visiting professorship was established by the Regents in May 1999.

Carl Hoefler earned his Bachelor of Arts at Rice University in 1986 and his Doctorate at Stanford University in 1992. Professor Hoefler joined the faculty at the University of California, Riverside as an assistant professor in 1991 and was promoted to tenured associate professor in 1998. He accepted an appointment as a lecturer at the London School of Economics in 1998 and was promoted to senior lecturer in 2001. He has been research director of the Catalan Institute for Research and Advanced Study in Barcelona since 2002 and an adjunct professor at the Autonomous University of Barcelona since 2003.

Professor Hoefler is the author of more than twenty scholarly articles in philosophy of science and metaphysics, and has delivered more than forty lectures in ten countries. His significant publications include: "The Metaphysics of Spacetime Substantivalism," *The Journal of Philosophy*; "On Lewis' Objective Chance: Humean Supervenience Debugged," *Mind*; and "Absolute vs. Relational Spacetime: For Better or Worse, the Debate Goes On," *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*. He is currently working on the book, *Chance in the World*, which develops a Humean theory of objective probabilities. Professor Hoefler will teach an upper level undergraduate course on the philosophy of science as well as a graduate seminar during his term as the Weinberg Visiting Professor.

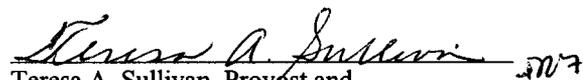
We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Carl Hoefler to the Marshall M. Weinberg Endowed Distinguished Visiting Professor of Philosophy, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, for winter term 2008, effective January 1, 2008 through May 31, 2008.

Recommended by:

Recommendation endorsed by:



Terrence J. McDonald,  
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor,  
Professor of History and Dean  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts



Teresa A. Sullivan, Provost and  
Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

November 2007

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS' COMMUNICATION**

ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Celina G. Kleer, M.D.

Approved by the Regents  
November 15, 2007

CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of Pathology, with tenur

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Harold A. Oberman Collegiate Professor of Pathology

EFFECTIVE DATES: November 15, 2007 through August 31, 2012

On the recommendation of Jay L. Hess, 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 Celina G. Kleer, M.D., as the Harold A. Oberman Collegiate Professor of Pathology, effective November 15, 2007.

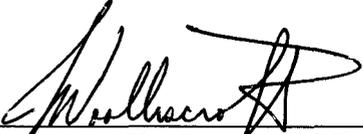
The professorship was established in October 2007 as a memorial to Dr. Oberman who was an active member of the Medical School faculty at the University of Michigan from his first faculty appointment in 1963 through the granting of Emeritus Professor status in 2001 and continued with his interactions in the Department of Pathology until his passing in 2004.

Dr. Kleer received the M.D. degree from the University of Buenos Aires, Argentina, in 1993. She undertook a residency in anatomic and clinical pathology at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, followed by additional residency training in pathology at the University of Michigan from 1995-98. She was a surgical pathology fellow at this institution during 1998-99. Dr. Kleer joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 1999 and was promoted to her present rank of Associate Professor of Pathology in 2005.

Dr. Kleer has established herself as a nationally recognized breast pathologist who is frequently consulted on the most difficult cases. She is the leading breast pathologist at the University of Michigan, with excellent diagnostic skills combined with outstanding research contributions. Her studies on the role of the WISP3 tumor suppressor gene in inflammatory breast cancer have been widely noted by her peers in the field. Her bibliography reflects 60 peer-review publications, four chapters in books, and numerous oral and poster presentations. Her expertise is further recognized through substantial grant funding from the National Institutes of Health, her activities as a reviewer for several prominent specialty publications and granting agencies, and her editorial board membership for the publication *Human Pathology*.

Dr. Kleer has been a remarkably productive faculty member in the Division of Anatomic Pathology who worked closely with Dr. Oberman. She is an internationally recognized expert in breast pathology (as was Dr. Oberman). In addition to her clinical expertise, Dr. Kleer pursues a highly successful, externally funded research program in breast cancer biology. It is most appropriate that Dr. Kleer be the first recipient of this distinguished title. I am very pleased to recommend her appointment as the Harold A. Oberman Collegiate Professor of Pathology.

Recommended by



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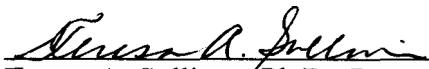
James O. Woolliscroft, M.D.  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by



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Robert P. Kelch, M.D.  
Executive Vice President for  
Medical Affairs



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Teresa A. Sullivan, Ph.D., Provost  
and Executive Vice President for  
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Approved by the Regents  
November 15, 2007

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

**ACTION REQUEST:** Faculty Appointment to a Named Professorship

**NAME:** Daniel H. Levine

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

**ADDITIONAL TITLE:** James Orin Murfin Professor of Political Science, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** November 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010

On the recommendation of the Chair of the Department of Political Science, and with the endorsement of the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Daniel H. Levine as the James Orin Murfin Professor of Political Science, effective November 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010.

The James Orin Murfin Professorship in Political Science was established in 1940 by a generous gift from John W. Anderson, Class of 1890. The Professorship is unencumbered by special conditions and has been awarded in the recent past to distinguished members of the Political Science faculty in order to lighten their teaching loads and free time for research and writing.

Daniel Levine earned a Bachelor of Arts from Dartmouth College in 1964 and Master of Science from the London School of Economics in 1965. He attended Yale University where he received a Masters of Philosophy in 1967 and Doctorate in 1970. Professor Levine joined our faculty as a lecturer in 1969 and was promoted through the ranks to professor in 1982. He served as chair of the Department of Political Science (1999-2004) and was appointed to the Murfin Professorship in 2004.

Professor Levine's recent research centers attention on three issues: the relation of religion to social and political change, issues of democratization, and state society relations with emphasis on the evolution of civil society. His work is centered on Latin America, but with broader theoretical and comparative dimensions. His work has been supported by grants from the Social Science Research Council and the National Endowment for the Humanities. He has written seven books and numerous scholarly articles and book chapters in a variety of venues.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Daniel H. Levine as the James Orin Murfin Professor of Political Science, effective November 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010.

Recommended by:

Recommendation endorsed by:

  
Terrence J. McDonald  
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor  
Professor of History and Dean  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

  
Teresa A. Sullivan, Provost and  
Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

November 2007

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS' COMMUNICATION**

**ACTION REQUEST:** Faculty Appointment to a Research Professorship

**NAME:** Akinlolu O. Ojo, M.D., Ph.D.

Approved by the Regents  
November 15, 2007

**CURRENT TITLE:** Professor of Internal Medicine, with tenure

**ADDITIONAL TITLE:** Florence E. Bingham Research Professor of  
Nephrology

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** November 15, 2007 through August 31, 2012

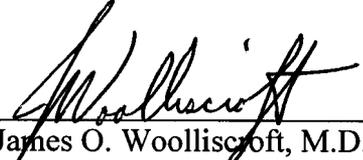
On the recommendation of Robert F. Todd III, M.D., Ph.D., the Frances and Victor Ginsberg Professor of Hematology/Oncology and Interim Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Akinlolu O. Ojo, M.D., Ph.D., as the Florence E. Bingham Research Professor of Nephrology, effective November 15, 2007.

This professorship is made possible through a 1994 gift from the estate of University of Michigan alumnus, the Reverend Parley C. Bingham, and his wife, Florence Elizabeth Bingham. The gift from the Bingham estate established two funds to foster research by the Medical School in the areas of heart, respiratory and kidney health.

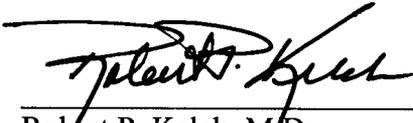
Dr. Ojo, a member of the faculty in the Division of Nephrology and an alumnus of the University of Michigan, is among the most productive researchers in the nation in studies involving minorities and kidney disease, as well as kidney transplant outcomes. Dr. Ojo received his medical degree from the University of Lagos, College of Medicine. He completed his residency at the University of Kentucky in Lexington, Kentucky, where he also served as chief resident. He earned the M.P.H. degree at the Center for International Health at the University of Alabama in Birmingham, Alabama. He completed his nephrology fellowship and doctorate at the University of Michigan and joined the faculty in 1995. His clinical interests include multi-center clinical trials of hypertension, end stage renal disease, and access to kidney transplantation and allograft survival with emphasis on minority patients with ESRD and chronic kidney disease.

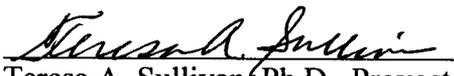
Dr. Ojo is one of our finest physician-scientists, and his appointment would fulfill the Bingham's wishes to foster research in kidney health. I am very pleased to recommend the appointment of Akinlolu O. Ojo, M.D., Ph.D., as the Florence E. Bingham Research Professor of Nephrology.

Recommended by

  
James O. Woolliscroft, M.D.  
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by

  
Robert P. Kelch, M.D.  
Executive Vice President for  
Medical Affairs

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Teresa A. Sullivan, Ph.D., Provost  
and Executive Vice President for  
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November 2007

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

Approved by the Regents  
November 15, 2007

**ACTION REQUEST:** Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

**NAME:** Daphna R. Oyserman

**CURRENT TITLES:** Professor of Social Work, with tenure, School of Social Work,  
and Professor of Psychology, with tenure, College of  
Literature, Science, and the Arts

**ADDITIONAL TITLE:** Edwin J. Thomas Collegiate Professor of Social Work, School  
of Social Work

**TERM:** Five Years

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** November 1, 2007 through October 31, 2012

The School of Social Work wishes to appoint Daphna R. Oyserman as the Edwin J. Thomas Collegiate Professor of Social Work, effective November 1, 2007 through October 31, 2012. The Edwin J. Thomas Collegiate Professorship was established with Regental approval in October 2007.

Professor Oyserman received her B.S.S.W. degree and her M.S.S.W. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem in 1981 and 1983, respectively; and her M.A. and Ph.D. degree from the University of Michigan in 1985 and 1987, respectively. She joined the faculty of the Baerwald School of Social Work at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem as beginning faculty member in 1988, then joined the faculty of Wayne State University in 1992, first as a research scientist at the Merrill Palmer Institute, and then, in 1995 as an adjunct associate professor of social psychology. In 1996, she joined the faculty of the University of Michigan, Institute for Social Research as an associate research scientist and was promoted to research professor in 2004. She joined the School of Social Work and Department of Psychology as an associate professor in 1999 and was promoted to professor in 2004.

Professor Oyserman's research focuses on the interface between features of the immediate context, culture, identity, and basic psychological processes. She is particularly interested in how social and cultural identities can be usefully engaged in interventions to improve health and educational outcomes among individuals at risk of poor outcomes in these domains, what she terms identity-based motivation. In addition to ongoing studies of the impact of culture on thinking, memory, and perception, she studies self-regulation, demonstrating that individuals act on their goals when these goals are cued in the moment, linked to strategies and feel congruent with important social identities (like gender or race-ethnicity). With funding from NIMH, she translated her basic research findings into a school-based preventive intervention that demonstrates positive effects of identity-based motivation on grades, standardized test scores, attendance, and in-class behavior, with effects persisting two years after intervention. She is a fellow of both the Association for Psychological Science and the American Psychological Association and was a consulting editor for both *Developmental Psychology* and *Social Work Research*. She received the Society for Social Work Research Best Scholarly Contribution Award (2004) for her research on racial identity; her 2002 synthesis of research on cultural psychology is considered a citation classic of the ISI Web of Science (honored as a "Hot Topic in

Psychology/Psychiatric" July 2002 as the fastest increasing citation impact of that year, and again in January 2004 as a "Top 3 Hot Papers Published in the Last Three Years for Psychology/Psychiatry"). Professor Oyserman is a dedicated and highly regarded researcher and teacher. She has also mentored numerous doctoral students and junior faculty. Her service record is exemplary.

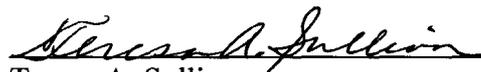
The many accomplishments of Professor Oyserman have brought recognition and honor to the School of Social Work and to the University of Michigan. It is fitting that she should be recommended for a School Professorship to recognize her contributions to the School, the University, the community, and the profession. The School of Social work, therefore, recommends that Professor Daphna R. Oyserman be appointed as the Edwin J. Thomas Collegiate Professor of Social Work effective November 1, 2007 through October 31, 2012.

RECOMMENDED BY:

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:



Paula Allen-Meares, Dean  
Norma Radin Collegiate Professor of  
Social Work and Professor of Education



Teresa A. Sullivan  
Provost and Executive Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

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Terrence J. McDonald  
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor,  
Professor of History, and Dean  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

November 2007

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION**

Approved by the Regents  
November 15, 2007

**ACTION REQUEST:** Additional Appointment to a Named Professorship

**NAME:** Helmut Puff

**CURRENT TITLES:** Associate Professor of Germanic Languages and Literatures, with tenure, Acting Chair, Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures, and Associate Professor of History, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

**ADDITIONAL TITLE:** Richard Hudson Research Professor of History, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

**TERM:** One Term

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** January 1, 2008 through May 31, 2008

On the recommendation of the Department of History and the Executive Committee of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Helmut Puff as the Richard Hudson Research Professor of History, effective January 1, 2008 through May 31, 2008.

The Richard Hudson Research Professorship in History is a rotating professorship. Professor Puff's colleagues have recommended that he hold this chair for winter term 2008, thereby freeing him from teaching duties.

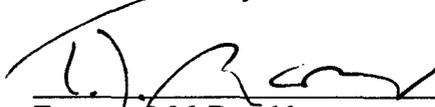
Professor Puff received his Undergraduate Studies degree at the University of Tübingen in 1983 and his Staatsexamen (equivalent to M.A.) at the University of Hamburg in 1988. He attended the University of Basel where he completed his Doctorate in 1992. He worked in Switzerland and Germany in a variety of research assistant/fellow positions (1982-1995), arriving in Ann Arbor as a visiting assistant professor in the Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures. He was appointed as an assistant professor in 1996 and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2002.

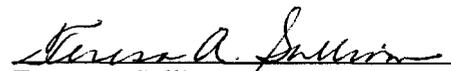
Professor Puff's research focuses on German literature, history, and culture in the late medieval and early modern period. He specializes in gender studies, the history of sexuality, the history of reading, and non-fictional texts of the Renaissance.

We are very pleased to recommend the appointment of Helmut Puff as the Richard Hudson Research Professor of History, effective January 1, 2008 through May 31, 2008.

Recommended by:

Recommendation endorsed by:

  
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Terrence J. McDonald  
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor,  
Professor of History, and Dean  
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

  
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Teresa A. Sullivan, Provost and  
Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

November 2007

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION**

ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship  
NAME: Kristine A. Siefert  
CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Social Work with tenure, School of Social Work  
ADDITIONAL TITLE: Edith S. Gomberg Collegiate Professor of Social Work, and  
Professor of Social Work, with tenure, School of Social Work  
TERM: Five Years  
EFFECTIVE DATES: November 1, 2007 through October 31, 2012

Approved by the Regents  
November 15, 2007

The School of Social Work wishes to appoint Kristine A. Siefert as the Edith S. Gomberg Collegiate Professor of Social Work, effective November 1, 2007 through October 31, 2012. The Edith S. Gomberg Collegiate Professorship was established with Regental approval in October 2007.

Professor Siefert received her A.B. degree from the University of Michigan in 1972; her M.S.W degree from the University of Michigan in 1975; her M.P.H. degree from the University of Minnesota in 1979; and her Ph.D. degree from the University of Minnesota in 1980. She joined the faculty of the School of Social Work at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor in 1979 and was promoted to professor in 1994. She has held many leadership positions within the School, including assistant dean for research (1993 to 1996), associate dean for faculty and academic affairs (2003), and associate director (1997-2005) and director (2005-2007) of the Research Center on Poverty, Risk, and Mental Health. She is also a faculty associate of several interdisciplinary research and training programs and centers throughout the University.

Professor Siefert's research focuses on identifying modifiable social, behavioral, and environmental risk determinants of health and mental health among low-income women and children and on racial/ethnic health disparities. She publishes widely in high impact disciplinary and interdisciplinary scientific journals; in 2003, she was named one of the most influential researchers in social work (Social Work Research Vol. 27, No. 2, pp. 105-115). She has served in an advisory capacity or as an expert reviewer for numerous agencies and foundations such as the federal Office of Maternal and Child Health, the National Institute of Mental Health, the National Institute for Dental and Craniofacial Research, the Economic Research Service of the U.S.D.A., the Centers for Disease Control, the March of Dimes Foundation, the Canadian Institutes of Health Research, and the Research Council of Norway. She has served on the editorial board or as an occasional reviewer for 25 scientific and professional journals. Professor Siefert is a dedicated and highly regarded teacher who has made poverty and racial/ethnic health disparities a central focus of her teaching. She has also mentored numerous doctoral students and junior faculty. Her service record is exemplary. In 2001, she received the University-wide Harold R. Johnson Diversity Service Award and she has provided extensive service to many governmental, human services, and professional organizations.

The many accomplishments of Professor Siefert have brought recognition and honor to the School of Social Work and to the University of Michigan. It is fitting that she should be recommended for a School Professorship to recognize her contributions to the School, the University, the community, and the profession. The School of Social work, therefore, recommends that Professor Kristine A. Siefert be appointed as the Edith S. Gomberg Collegiate Professor of Social Work effective November 1, 2007 through October 31, 2012.

RECOMMENDED BY:



Paula Allen-Meares, Dean  
Norma Radin Collegiate Professor of Social Work  
and Professor of Education

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

  
Teresa A. Sullivan, Provost and  
Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

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