Named Professorships 2015-16

**Vilas Research Professorships** (21) were created “for the advancement of learning.” A candidate should be of proven research ability and possess unusual qualifications and promise. The individual must have contributed significantly to the research mission of the University and be widely recognized both nationally and internationally for the quality of research. Vilas Professorships provide for a reduced teaching load, a $10,000 salary supplement, an annual account of $50,000 for research expenses, and a retirement supplement of $2,500 per year for an individual who has served at least 15 years as a Vilas Professor. These professorships for scholarly achievement are funded from the generosity of the Trustees of the William F. Vilas Estate. These professorships are managed by the Provost and are appointed by the competition process.

Vernon Barger  
L&S, Physics
David Bethea  
L&S, Slavic Languages
Susan Coppersmith  
L&S, Physics
William Cronon  
L&S, History
Richard Davidson  
L&S, Psychology
James Dumesic  
Engineering, Chemical & Biological
Steven Durlauf  
L&S, Economics
Morton Gernsbacher  
L&S, Psychology
Judith Kimble  
CALS, Biochemistry/Molecular Biology
Chiao-Ping Li  
Education, Dance
Tom Loeser  
Education, Art
Gregg Mitman  
L&S, History of Science
Emiko Ohnuki-Tierney  
L&S, Anthropology
William Reese  
Education, Educational Policy Studies
Mark Seidenberg  
L&S, Psychology
Elliott Sober  
L&S, Philosophy
Gurindar Sohi  
L&S, Computer Science
Karen Strier  
L&S, Anthropology
Monica Turner  
L&S, Zoology
Erik Olin Wright  
L&S, Sociology
Sau Lan Wu  
CALS, Physics

**Vilas Distinguished Achievement Professorships** (55) recognize professors whose distinguished scholarship has advanced the confines of knowledge, and whose excellence has also included teaching or service. The professorship provides a fixed allocation of flexible funds ($75K). The professor carries the title of Vilas Distinguished Achievement Professor for the duration of her or his career at UW-Madison.

The Vilas Distinguished Achievement Professorship is a collaborative tool to reward and retain top faculty. The Provost’s Office, through the generosity of the Vilas Trustees, provides $50K towards the $75K total. The dean who makes a
nomination, pledges $25K and opens a professorship account with a minimal annual contribution of $5K per year. RSP opens a linked account that provides the $50K from Vilas. The Vilas funds should ideally be used within two years. The college/department funds must be expended within five years. Per the terms of the Vilas Trust, the professorships may not be used to supplement salary or pay summer salary beyond $10K salary per year. These may be appointed by the Provost and Vice Provost for Faculty and Staff and also through an annual competition process each fall.

**2011-12 Cohort**

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Sean Palecek    Engineering, Chemical & Biological Engineering
Phil Townsend   CALS, Forest & Wildlife Ecology
Matthew Turner  L&S, Geography
Manon van de Water L&S, Theatre & Drama
Louise Young    L&S, History

**2014-15 Cohort**
Amy Barger    L&S, Astronomy
Kristin Eschenfelder   L&S, Library Systems
Cheryl Hanley-Maxwell Education, Rehabilitation Psychology
Sarah Gong    Engineering, Biomedical Engineering
Shi Jin      L&S, Mathematics
Stephen Kantrowitz L&S, History
Lingjun Li    Pharmacy, Pharmacy/Chemistry
David Lynn    Engineering, Chemical & Biological Engineering
Christos Maravelias Engineering, Chemical & Biological Engineering
Manos Mavrikakis Engineering, Chemical & Biological Engineering
Katherine McMahon Engineering, Civil & Environmental Engineering
Rob Nixon    L&S, English
David Page    SMPH, Biostatistics & Medical Informatics
Dietram Scheufele CALS, Life Sciences Communication
Lih-Sheng Turng Engineering, Mechanical Engineering
Susan Webb Yackee L&S, Political Science

**2015-16 Cohort**
Elain Alarid    SMPH, Oncology
Lawrence Berger L&S, Social Work
John Booske    Engineering, Electrical & Computer Engineering
Geoffrey Borman Education, Educational Leadership & Policy Analysis
Leslie Bow    L&S, English
Mark Eriksson  L&S, Physics
Dorothy Farrar-Edwards Education, Kinesiology
Stephen Gammie L&S, Zoology
Padma Gopalan Engineering, Materials Science & Engineering
Jeffrey Johnson Pharmacy, Pharmacy
Laura Kiessling CALS, Biochemistry & Chemistry
Mikko Lipasti  Engineering, Electrical & Computer Engineering
Leonora Neville L&S, History
John Pevehouse L&S, Political Science
Kenneth Raffa  CALS, Entomology
James Rawlings Engineering, Chemical & Biological Engineering
David Shaffer   Education, Educational Psychology
John Yin      Engineering, Chemical & Biological Engineering
Jin-Wen Yu    Education, Dance
Ellen Zweibel L&S, Astronomy
**Hilldale Professorships** (12) are given to faculty who excel in scholarly activity. They have records of outstanding research or creative work and show promise of continued productivity. The appointments are for five years with the possibility of renewal until the individual leaves the university or retires. New appointees to the Hilldale Professorship will receive $15,000 per year for research support, which also may be used for teaching release during the academic year or for summer salary. In addition, each recipient will receive a temporary base adjustment of $7,500 that comes from the Hilldale Professorship account for the term of the professorship. These are awarded through a competition process when there are vacancies. Funding comes through UW Trust Funds. These professorships are managed by the Provost with financial administration through the Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration office.

Nicholas L. Abbott  Engineering, Chemical & Biological Engineering
Richard Amasino  CALS, Biochemistry
Stephen Carpenter  L&S, Zoology
Fleming Crim  L&S, Chemistry
Susan S. Friedman  L&S, English
Michael C. Fiore  SMPH, Medicine
Francis Halzen  L&S, Physics
Daniel Hausman  L&S, Philosophy
Laura Kiessling  L&S, Chemistry/Biochemistry
Carol Ryff  L&S, Psychology
Steve J. Stern  L&S, History
Grace Wahba  L&S, Statistics

**Named Bascom Professorships** (84) have been established at the UW-Madison which couple the name of the distinguished scholar and former University President John Bascom. They are coveted awards for the faculty members who receive them and represent goals to be aspired to by developing faculty members. Funds for the establishment of Bascom Professorships are given to the University of Wisconsin Foundation. The professorships may be awarded in areas designated by the donor or to individuals designated by the donor. Though the amount of the principal varies considerably, the minimum must provide a reasonable income to be used as an annual allocation for books, computers, research assistants, travel and other support of teaching and scholarly activities. The annual allocations range from $10,000 - $20,000 per year. Some have annual $5,000 temporary base adjustments that come from the professorship account if the account can support it. They are usually for a term of 5 years and most are renewable. Funding comes through the UW Foundation. These professorships are managed by the Provost.

**Evjue Chair for the Wisconsin Idea** (1) was created with an endowment from the William T. Evjue Foundation to recognize outstanding contributions to outreach and service, and to honor the late William T. Evjue, founder, editor, and publisher of *The Capital Times*. The chair is designed to provide a boost to the strategic initiative “Enhancing the Wisconsin Idea” and further the legacy of the century-old Wisconsin
Idea, which holds that the boundaries of the university are boundaries of the state and beyond. The holder must have contributed substantially to the outreach mission of the university and demonstrated ability to transfer knowledge and research through individual efforts or coordination of multidisciplinary activities. The candidate must also be widely recognized, both nationally and internationally as a distinguished teacher and researcher. This appointment is for a five-year period and may be renewed for additional five-year periods. No other professorships can be held concurrently. The annual allocation at the present time is $75,000. Funding comes through the UW Foundation. This professorship is managed by the Provost and is awarded through the competition process.

Bassam Shakhashiri  
L&S, Chemistry

John D. MacArthur Professorship Chair (4) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison was established by a grant from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. The Professorship honors John D. MacArthur who died in 1978 leaving the bulk of his estate to establish the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. Mr. MacArthur purchased the Bankers Life and Casualty Company in 1935 and built it into a vast operation with numerous subsidiaries and property holdings. The Foundation has awarded substantial grants to individuals and liberal arts colleges as well as research institutions.

The John D. MacArthur Professorship is for five years and is renewable. It is considered one of the more prestigious research chairs on campus. The income from the endowment is available for research support. The usual annual allocation is $50,000 per year for a period of five years. Funding is handled by the UW Trust Funds. These professorships are managed and awarded by the Provost. No competition is required.

David Beebe  
Engineering, Biomedical Engineering
Jordan Ellenberg  
L&S, Mathematics
Tony Goldberg  
Veterinary Medicine, Pathobiological Sciences
Ken West  
L&S, Economics

WARF Professorships – handled by the Graduate School
Funding for this professorship comes from the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation. The professorship provides flexible research support totaling $75,000 for five years and is non-renewable.

Wisconsin Distinguished Professorships (4)
The WDP Program was established in 1987 and provides incentive for top faculty to engage industry and other private sources in the UW-Madison research enterprise which benefits the University and the State of Wisconsin. This professorship was moved from the management of UW-System to UW-Madison and includes support of $40,000 annually that can be used for salary support and research. The UW-
Madison support must be matched with external support for each of the five years. These professorships are managed by the Provost and are awarded through a competition process.

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**Other UW-Madison Professorships**

UW-Madison schools and colleges also have named professorships/chairs that are designated for specific areas within their school/college. These professorships are managed by the dean of the school/college.

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