2020-21 Named Professorships

Vilas Research Professorships (17) 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 awarded through a competition process.

Vernon Barger  L&S, Physics
Susan Coppersmith  L&S, Physics
Richard Davidson  L&S, Psychology
Samuel H. Gellman  L&S, Chemistry
Morton Gernsbacher  L&S, Psychology
Jo Handelsman  VCRGE, Wisconsin Institute for Discovery
Judith Kimble  CALS, Biochemistry/Molecular Biology
Chiao-Ping Li  Education, Dance
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
Sau Lan Wu  CALS, Physics

Vilas Distinguished Achievement Professorships (97) 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 Office of the Provost, 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 three 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. These professorships may be appointed by the provost and vice provost for faculty and staff, and also through an annual competition process each fall.

2019-20 Cohort
Marah Curtis L&S, Social Work
Anthony DiSanza L&S, Music
Thaddeus Golos Veterinary Medicine, Comparative Biosciences
Adena Rissman CALS, Forest and Wildlife Ecology
Brad Singer, L&S, Geoscience
Vikas Singh SMPH, Biostatistics and Medical Informatics
Michael Titelbaum L&S, Philosophy

2018-19 Cohort
David Anderson L&S, Mathematics
Stefania Buccini L&S, French and Italian
AnHai Doan L&S, Computer Science
Pupa Gilbert L&S, Physics
Francine Hirsch L&S, History
Alfonso Morales, L&S, Planning and Landscape Architecture
Mitchell Nathan Education, Educational Psychology
Adam Nelson Education, Educational Policy Studies
Joel Pedersen CALS, Soil Science
Jenny Safran L&S, Psychology
Christine Schwartz L&S, Sociology
Eric Shusta Engineering, Chemical & Biological Engineering
Shiyu Zhou Engineering, Industrial & Systems Engineering
Melanie Matchett Wood L&S, Mathematics

2017-18 Cohort
Amy Quan Barry L&S, English
Richard Hsung Pharmacy
Ullrich Langer L&S, French & Italian
Katherine Magnuson L&S, Social Work
Anne Pringle L&S, Botany
Parmesh Ramanathan Engineering, Electrical and Computer Engineering
Lones Smith L&S, Economics
Scott Straus L&S, Political Science

2016-17 Cohort
Martha Alibali L&S, Psychology
Caitilyn Allen CALS, Plant Pathology
Katherine Bowie L&S, Anthropology
Weibo Cai SMPH, Radiology
Richard Eisenstein CALS, Nutritional Sciences
Alfred Hartemink CALS, Soil Science
Lea Jacobs L&S, Communication Arts
Richard Lindroth CALS, Entomology
Kristyn Masters Engineering, Biomedical Engineering
Patricia McManus CALS, Plant Pathology
Stephen Meyers L&S, Geoscience
Barton Miller  
L&S, Computer Science

Bin Ran  
Engineering, Civil & Environmental Engineering

Jennifer Ratner-Rosenhagen  
L&S, History

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

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

2013-14 Cohort
Hussain Bahia  
Engineering, Civil & Environmental Engineering

Jordan Ellenberg  
L&S, Mathematics

Michael Fiore  
SMPH, Medicine

Anna Gade  
L&S, Religious Studies

Tony Goldberg  
Veterinary Medicine, Pathobiological Sciences

Michael Graham  
Engineering, Chemical & Biological Engineering

John Hawks  
L&S, Anthropology

Sean Palecek  
Engineering, Chemical & Biological Engineering
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**Hilldale Professorships** (4) 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.

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**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. 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.

**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.
WARF Professorships – managed 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 (2) – 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.

Robert J. Hamers L&S, Chemistry
Daniel R. Noguera Engineering, Civil & Environmental

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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