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SECRETARY of the FACULTY – three-year term

James Reed/ History

I have professed History at Rutgers since 1975, served as Dean of Rutgers College (1985-1994), and two terms as Secretary of the Faculty of SAS (2006).

Mark Wasserman/ History/ no statement

NOMINATIONS and ELECTIONS COMMITTEE – two-year terms (except where noted)

Humanities:

Paola Gambarota/ Italian Department and Comparative Literature/ no statement

Assistant Professor

Melissa Feinberg/ History and Women's and Gender Studies/ no statement

Benjamin Paul / Art History/ no statement

Assistant Professor of Italian Renaissance Art

Life Sciences – 1 two-year term and 1 one-year term:

Lori R. Covey/ Cell Biology and Neuroscience

I have been at the University for 17 years and look forward to working with the other members of the Nominations and Election Committee to identify outstanding candidates for the different SAS committees.

Sam Gunderson/ Biology/ no statement

Gary A. Heiman, PhD/ Genetics

The focus of my research is at the intersection between genetics, psychiatry, and neurology. Many neurological disorders are highly comorbid with psychiatric disorders, but the cause of this comorbidity is unknown. Using genetic information, I am testing the hypothesis that the comorbidity is due, in part, to a shared genetic susceptibility.

I am conducting a number of studies including the genetic relationship between epilepsy and depression; psychiatric manifestations of the DYT1 dystonia gene; various clinical manifestations, including psychiatric symptoms, in a genetic form of Parkinson's disease; and the long-term clinical course of DYT1 dystonia carriers to determine if any other signs or symptoms appear later in life. I am also the director of the New Jersey Center for Tourette Syndrome Sharing Repository, a study to identify genetic factors that affect the liability toward developing Tourettes and associated disorders.

I am the Director of Rutgers [Genetic Counseling Certificate Program](#) . The goal of this program is to provide with guidance and relevant experience that will help prepare students for graduate school applications. Specifically, the program provides students with an understanding of genetic counseling career, ensuring that students understand course prerequisites for various masters-level programs, and facilitating a short rotation with Genetic Counselor.

Physical and Mathematical Sciences:

Young-Ju Lee/ Mathematics/ no statement

Andrew Baker/ Physics and Astronomy

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I'm an astronomer whose main research interests relate to interstellar gas in distant galaxies. If elected, I'll try to help identify candidates whose expertise is diverse and relevant to the committees on which they'd serve.

Rong Chen/ Statistics and Biostatistics/ no statement

Social and Behavioral Sciences:

John Landon-Lane/ Economics/ no statement

Laura Schneider/ Geography/ no statement

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE – one-year terms

Humanities:

Harriet Davidson/ English/ no statement

Ben Sifuentes-Jauregui/ American Studies/ no statement

Rebecca L. Walkowitz /English, Comparative Literature/ no statement

Life Sciences:

Sara C. Campbell/ Exercise Science and Sports Studies

Dr. Campbell was recently hired at Rutgers, bringing this New Jersey native back home. Her primary responsibility at Rutgers is to conduct research with some teaching responsibilities. Her area of research interest is in exercise and cholesterol metabolism, functional food/nutritional supplements and chronic disease and obesity.

Kenneth Paradiso/ Cell Biology and Neuroscience

I believe that every person should have equal opportunities for education and employment. I believe we must uphold the university policy on equal employment which is "to provide equal employment opportunity to all employees and applicants for employment regardless of their race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, disability, atypical hereditary cellular or blood trait, marital status, civil union status, domestic partnership status, military service, veteran status, or any other category protected by law." This of course extends to educational opportunities as well.

Thomas Kusch, Ph.D./ Molecular Biology and Biochemistry

Physical and Mathematical Sciences:

Rebecca Wright/ Computer Science

Rebecca Wright is a professor in the Computer Science Department and the Deputy Director of DIMACS at Rutgers. Earlier, she was a professor in the Computer Science Department at Stevens Institute of Technology and a researcher in the Secure Systems Research Department at AT&T Labs and AT&T Bell Labs. Her research spans the area of information security, including cryptography, privacy, foundations of computer security, and fault-tolerant distributed computing, as well as foundations of networking. Dr. Wright serves as an editor of the Journal of Computer Security, the International Journal of Information and Computer Security, and the Transactions on Data Privacy. She was a member of the board of directors of the International Association for Cryptologic Research from 2001 to 2005. She was Program Chair of Financial Cryptography 2003 and the 2006 ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS) and

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General Chair of Crypto 2002, and has also served on numerous program committees. She received a Ph.D. in Computer Science from Yale University, a B.A. from Columbia University, and an honorary M.E. from Stevens Institute of Technology.

Yi-Zhi Huang/ Mathematics/ no statement

Social and Behavioral Sciences:

Alvin B. Tillery, Jr./ Political Science

I believe that I am qualified to serve on the affirmative action committee because I am currently researching and writing a book on the politics of diversity policies in the United States. Moreover, during my tenure as an assistant professor at the university of Notre Dame, I served on the affirmative action committee in the department of political science. Finally, since I arrived in the fall of 2007, I have worked on several departmental initiatives aimed at diversifying the department of political science at Rutgers.

Cristina Fuentes-Albero/ Economics

She received a BA and MSc in Economic Analysis from the Universitat de Valencia in Spain. She completed her PhD in Economics at the University of Pennsylvania in 2010. Fuentes-Albero was a summer fellow of the Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession at the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in 2008. She was a summer fellow at the Bank of Spain in 2009.

Patrick J. Carr/ Sociology and Criminal Justice – no statement

Zaire Dinzey-Flores/ Latino & Hispanic Caribbean Studies and Sociology

Zaire Dinzey-Flores is an Assistant Professor in the departments of Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies and Sociology. Her research interests include urban design and policy, housing, social inequality, race, and crime and social control. Her work focuses on the social impact of urban design policies, and especially how the built environment shapes race, class, and urban inequality in the context of Puerto Rico and the Caribbean. She is currently completing a book manuscript, tentatively titled "Locked In, Locked Out: The Gates of Race and Class in a Puerto Rican City." With Robyn Rodriguez, Zaire Dinzey-Flores led the Women of Color Scholars Project in AY 2009-2010. Funded by an RU FAIR ADVANCE mini grant, the Women of Color Scholars Project aimed to foster a nurturing academic community for women of color faculty at Rutgers University.

Gayle T. Tate/ Africana Studies

Chairperson

Department of Africana Studies

Affiliate faculty-Women & Gender Studies

Graduate Faculty of the School of Arts & Sciences

Affirmative action has been an important policy and mechanism to ensure that the rich ethnic/racial and gender diversity of American society is reflected in its institutions. This committee can serve as a vehicle to continue the important work on ensuring that Rutgers reflect this diversity.

FACULTY REVIEW COMMITTEE – two-year term

Thomas M. Stephens/ Spanish & Portuguese/ no statement

Laura M. Ahearn/ Anthropology/ no statement

Associate Professor

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CURRICULUM COMMITTEE – two-year term

Young-mee Yu Cho/ Asian Languages and Cultures

I do research on theoretical linguistics and language pedagogy. My publications include *Parameters of Consonantal Phonology* (1999) and *Korean Phonology and Morphology* (forthcoming), and I co-authored the most widely used Korean textbook series entitled *Integrated Korean* (2000, 2001, 2010). As a Korean language program coordinator, I have developed the current four-year Korean language program for the past 14 years. I also served as the president of the American Association of the Teachers of Korean between 2006 and 2009, and I served as a co-chair in the project for developing the *National Standards for Korean Language Learning* (2011). As a language pedagogist, teaching is an integral part of my research and vice versa. I believe in strengthening our curriculum by offering interdisciplinary and cross-border courses such as Writing Systems of the World, Writing and Literacy in East Asia, and Seminar in East Asian Societies: Food in East Asian Tradition and Transformations.

Janet A. Walker/ Asian Languages and Cultures/ no statement

Richard Simmons/ Asian Languages & Cultures/

I have served on this committee before and will be happy to do so again and assist with its important and necessary work.

CORE REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE – two-year terms (except where noted)

Humanities:

Jorge Marcone/ Spanish and Portuguese

If elected, I hope that my experience at the undergraduate level at Rutgers will allow me to be useful to this committee. Currently, I serve as the Undergraduate Director for the Program in Comparative Literature. I was the Undergraduate Director for the Department of Spanish and Portuguese between 1997 and 2000, and between 2002 and 2003. I am a member of CLAS's Executive Council since 2008, and SAS International Programs Advisory Committee. I am a SAS Honors Program Faculty Mentor, and a Faculty Mentor for the FIGS Program (First-Year Interest Group Seminars).

Mary Trigg/ Women's and Gender Studies/ no statement

Life Sciences:

Dunne Fong/ Cell Biology and Neuroscience/ no statement

Guy Werlen, PhD/ Cell Biology and Neuroscience

My passion for Life Sciences thrives me to understand how little details bring the big picture to work, while my multicultural background makes me look at little details from many divers angles. In this regard, I believe that the University's core programs should be divers, but focused enough to give our students the best possible foundations for their future endeavors.

Physical and Mathematical Sciences – one-year term:

Matthew Stone/ Computer Science / no statement

Ralf Warmuth/ Chemistry and Chemical Biology

Biography:

1989 Chemistry Diploma (MSc), University of Cologne, Germany

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1992 Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry, Johann Wolfgang Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Germany
1992-1993 Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Nottingham, U.K.
1994-1997 Feodor Lynen Fellow, University of California at Los Angeles, CA
1997-2002 Assistant Professor, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS
2002 Associate Professor, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS
Since 2003 Associate Professor, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

Professional Affiliations:

German Chemical Society (GDCh)
German Association of Higher Education
American Chemical Society (ACS)
American Association of University Professors (AAUP)

Tewodros Asefa/ Chemistry and Chemical Biology / no statement

Social and Behavioral Sciences – one-year term:

Paul McLean/ Sociology/ no statement

Alexander W. Kusnecov/ Psychology

Behavioral Neuroscience and Intradisciplinary Health Programs, Institute for Health Professor Kusnecov received his PhD in 1990 from the University of Newcastle, New South Wales, Australia. This was followed by a three-year postdoctoral fellowship in the Department of Psychiatry, University of Rochester Medical School, NY, where he consolidated his training in psychoneuroimmunology and behavioral medicine. Subsequently, he was an Assistant Professor of Pathology at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, before being recruited to Rutgers. Due to his research on the functional interactions between the brain, endocrine, and immune systems, Dr. Kusnecov has a strong bias for multidisciplinary, integrative teaching and research. He is a member of the Rutgers Institute for Health and is currently serving as the Vice-Chair for Undergraduate Studies in the Psychology Department. Louisa Schein (Anthropology)

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE – one-year terms (except where noted)

Humanities – one-year term:

Tia Kolbaba/ Religion

My experience at Rutgers and two other universities has convinced me of the crucial importance of undergraduate admissions policy, which affects everything else we do at the university, from teaching first-year courses to training graduate students. I take the charge of this committee seriously and will do my best to see that admissions policies encourage equitable and successful recruitment of a high-quality, diverse undergraduate population.

Mark Wasserman/ History/ no statement

Life Sciences – one-year term:

Martin Grumet/ Cell Biology and Neuroscience/ no statement

Thomas Kusch, Ph.D./ Molecular Biology and Biochemistry/ no statement

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Physical and Mathematical Sciences:

Marie-Pierre Aubry/ Earth and Planetary Sciences

I was appointed at Rutgers in 2001 and am currently a professor in the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences. My current interests lie in the interpretation of the stratigraphic record and in evolutionary processes in marine planktonic organisms. I have participated in several deep sea legs, have chaired several international projects, including of the International Geological Correlation Project 308 of UNESCO, and the International Commission on Stratigraphy. I am currently involved in geoarcheological studies in Egypt funded by the National Geographic Society.

At Rutgers I teach an undergraduate course on “Evolution and Geological Time”, a graduate course on “Paleobiology of Planktonic Marine Protists” and participate in the teaching of several seminars.

Vadim Levin /Earth and Planetary Sciences

Associate Professor

Vadim Levin received his PhD from Columbia University in 1996, and did his post-doctoral training at Yale University. He stayed at Yale as a researcher for a number of years. An opportunity to teach at the undergraduate level was one of the reasons for moving to Rutgers in 2002. Prof. Levin presently teaches Earth Science courses at both introductory and advanced levels, and has in the past served on the Department's undergraduate advising committee.

Social and Behavioral Sciences:

Eric Davis/ Political Science/ no statement

John Landon-Lane/ Economics/ no statement

Humanities:

Martin Gliserman/ English/ no statement

Yana van der Meulen Rodgers/ Women's and Gender Studies

Yana Rodgers teaches courses and conducts research on quantitative methods in feminist research; gender and economic development; women and global labor movements; and economics of the family. Many of her studies have focused on East and South Asian economies, and she has travelled to and lived in Asia to conduct her research. She enjoys working with members of the Rutgers community on issues of governance, scholarship, and student well-being, and looks forward to serving on the SAS Academic Standing Committee if elected.

Matthew Buckley/ English/ no statement

ACADEMIC STANDING COMMITTEE – one-year terms (except where noted)

Humanities:

Martin Gliserman/ English / no statement

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Matthew Buckley/ English / no statement

Life Sciences – two-year term:

Gleb Shumyatsky/ Genetics/ no statement

Barth D. Grant/ Molecular Biology and Biochemistry/ no statement

Bonnie L. Firestein/ Cell Biology and Neuroscience/ no statement

Physical and Mathematical Sciences:

John Krenos/ Chemistry and Chemical Biology/ no statement

Lawrence J. Williams/ Chemistry and Chemical Biology
Member of the Graduate Program in
Medicinal Chemistry, Member of the Cancer Institute of New Jersey

Social and Behavioral Sciences:

Kevin St. Martin/ Geography / no statement

Anne Morrison Piehl / Economics
Associate Professor, Department of Economics and Director, Program in Criminal Justice
Since arriving at Rutgers in 2005, I have split my undergraduate teaching between economics and criminal justice. This arrangement has exposed me to a broad range of the undergraduates, as both majors are large yet attract somewhat different segments of the student population. As director of the undergraduate criminal justice major over the past couple of years, I have some relevant experience in academic administrative matters.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE - three-year term

Social and Behavioral Sciences:

Lee Clarke/ Sociology/ no statement

Melanye T. Price/ Africana Studies and Political Science/ no statement

UNIVERSITY SENATE – three-year terms (except for 1 one-year term)

Norman Markowitz/ History

I have been a member of the Rutgers faculty for the last forty years and a member of the Senate, off and on, over the last thirty years. I see the Senate as the only institution of university governance where students, faculty, staff, and administration can come together and try to work together. While its real powers are very

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limited, I hope to continue to work to make the Senate into a more effective institution to defend the mission of a public university to educate and serve students and citizens as against a private commercial enterprise, the direction which long-term budget cuts and long-term administration policies have pressured it to take

Joseph Naus /Statistics

Statistics is by nature an interdisciplinary field. I teach Survey Sampling and Experimental Design and am a member of the Mathematics Education Ph.D. program, and the graduate program in Computational Molecular Biology. I served the University Senate as a member and Chair of the Budget committee from 1991 to 2001. It was a period of unusual financial stress for the University but also a period of opportunity. I was Faculty Representative to The Board of Trustees of the University 1998-2001, and served on the Board's Committee on Multicultural concerns and student affairs, and the Buildings & Grounds Committee.

Charlotte Bunch/Women's and Gender Studies/ no statement

Damaris M. Otero-Torres/ Spanish and Portuguese/ no statement

Prof. Robert A. Niederman/ Molecular Biology and Biochemistry/ no statement

John Harris/ Anthropology/ no statement

John Kenfield/ Art History/ no statement

Robert S. Boikess/ Chemistry and Chemical Biology/ no statement

My membership in the University Senate dates back almost without interruption to the mid 1970's. It reflects my serious commitment to faculty participation in the governance of the university. During my current term, my attendance has been perfect and I have participated actively in matters such as the new academic integrity policy, the academic calendar, and the changes in Commencement. If I am reelected to the Senate, I will be an active, vigorous advocate for the interests of the SAS and the entire university.

Manus Midlarsky/ Political Science

After more than 20 years of service to Rutgers, including awareness of cognate activities on all of the campuses, I feel that I can make a contribution to University policy deliberations.

Arnold G. Hyndman/ Cell Biology & Neuroscience

I have served on the Senate since 1993, most recently as a SAS faculty representative. I understand the workings of the Senate having been both an administrative and faculty representative. I would be pleased to continue to represent the SAS faculty on the University Senate.

Satoru Saito/ Asian Languages and Cultures

Satoru Saito became a member of the Rutgers faculty in 2005 after completing his Ph.D. at Columbia University. He teaches classes related to modern and contemporary Japanese literature, film, and popular culture in the Department of Asian Languages and Cultures. His forthcoming book *Detective Fiction and the Rise of the Japanese Novel, 1880-1930* explores the critical role detective fiction played in the formation of modern Japanese literature.

Lennox S. Hinds/ Criminal Justice

Attorney Hinds has had several Faculty Appointments including Professor of Criminal Justice at Rutgers University in New Jersey since 1991. He was Chairperson for the Administration of Social Justice Program in the Departments of Professional Studies and the School of Social Work at Rutgers from 1987 to 1990 and 1993-1995 respectively. He was an Adjunct Lecturer in the Department of Afro-American Studies, Douglas College, Rutgers from 1969-1970.

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Mr. Hinds has been a dedicated Faculty Advisor and Fellow to students at Rutgers University to both African American and Latino Students, Prelaw (1988-present) and the Paul Robeson Scholars Program 1981-present.

Vladimir Pavlovic/ Computer Science/ no statement

Marcy E. Schwartz/ Spanish & Portuguese/ no statement

Neil Sheflin/ Economics/ no statement