

BELOW ARE BRIEF NARRATIVES ON CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL (ECAC). FOUR INDIVIDUALS ARE TO BE ELECTED AT THE APRIL 19, 2012 ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING.

Continuing ECAC members for 2012-2013 are:

Susan Lozier (Professor, Nicholas School of the Environment), Chair
Phil Costanzo (Professor, Psychology & Neuroscience)
Cynthia Kuhn (Professor, Pharmacology & Cancer Biology)
John Payne (Professor, Fuqua School of Business)

Maurice Wallace is Associate Professor of English and African & African American Studies. He received his BA in English literature from Washington University in St. Louis and his PhD in English literature and literary theory from Duke. Professor Wallace joined the faculty at Duke in 1998 from Yale. His primary fields of expertise are in African American literature and cultural studies, nineteenth-century American literature, the history and representation of American slavery, and gender studies. He has served on the editorial boards for *American Literature* and *Yale Journal of Criticism*. His present research and writing agendas include a monograph on early photography in the making of African American identity on the heels of the US Civil War, and a critical exploration into the sound (vibrato-speech) of Martin Luther King Jr's voice. Professor Wallace also teaches in areas of visual culture and sound studies.

Presently, Prof Wallace is Director of Graduate Studies in African & African American Studies and faculty director of the Reginaldo Howard Memorial Scholarship Program. He was interim director of African & African American Studies in 2004-2005. He served on the Academic Programs Committee and is a member of the search committee for Dean of the Chapel. He is outgoing co-convener of the Black Faculty Caucus.

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Carlos Rojas is Associate Professor of Chinese Cultural Studies and Director of Undergraduate Studies in the department of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies. He holds a secondary appointment in the Program in Women's Studies, is on the steering committee of the Program in the Arts of the Moving Image, and the executive and graduate studies committees for the Asian/Pacific Studies Institute, and is an affiliate in the Program in the Study of Sexualities. He serves also as a member of the China Faculty Council and the Editorial Advisory Board of Duke University Press. Professor Rojas received his doctorate from Columbia in 2000, and before coming to Duke in 2009 held teaching and/or postdoctoral positions at Columbia, Harvard, Yale, MIT, University of Florida, and Shih Hsin University in Taiwan.

Rojas' research focuses on issues of gender and visuality, corporeality and infection, and nationalism and diasporas. His recent publications include *The Naked Gaze: Reflections*

on *Chinese Modernity* (Harvard University Asia Center, 2008) and *The Great Wall: A Cultural History* (Harvard University Press, 2010), and he is completing a book entitled *The Sick Man of Asia: Diagnosing the Chinese Body Politic* (under advance contract with Harvard University Press). He has co-edited several volumes, including *Writing Taiwan: A New Literary History* (Duke University Press, 2007), *Rethinking Chinese Popular Culture: Cannibalizations of the Canon* (Routledge, 2009), and *The Oxford Handbook of Chinese Cinemas* (Oxford University Press, 2013 [in press]). He is also the guest editor of a special issue on “Discourses of Disease” of the journal *Modern Chinese Literature and Culture* (Spring, 2011). Finally he is the co-translator of Yu Hua’s two-volume novel, *Brothers* (Pantheon, 2009), and is the sole translator of Yan Lianke’s prize-winning novel *Lenin’s Kisses* (Grove/Atlantic Press, 2012 [in press]).

Kathy Franz is Associate Professor in the Department of Chemistry. She earned her BA at Wellesley College and her PhD at MIT in inorganic chemistry. She started as an assistant professor at Duke 2003, and was promoted to associate professor in 2010. Her research group uses inorganic coordination chemistry to develop new chemical tools to manipulate biological metal ion location and reactivity for potential therapeutic or biomedical applications. She has served on study sections for NSF, as an ad-hoc reviewer for NIH and other granting agencies, and has served as guest editor for several thematic issues in chemical journals. She teaches both undergraduate and graduate courses in chemistry and leads writing and other professional development workshops for chemistry graduate students. Her service to the University includes a prior term as a member of Academic Council (2009-2010), the University Library Committee (2006-2009), the search committee for the chair of Biochemistry (2008), and the search committee for the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences (2010).

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Gary G. Bennett is Associate Professor of Psychology & Neuroscience and Global Health. He directs the Duke Obesity Prevention Program, is co-director of the Duke Center on Biobehavioral Health Disparities Research and is affiliated with the Duke Center for Health Policy and Inequalities Research. Bennett holds a B.A. from Morehouse College and an A.M. and Ph.D. from Duke University. He completed a residency in medical psychology at the Duke University Medical Center and was the Alonzo Smythe Yerby Research Fellow in social epidemiology at the Harvard School of Public Health. Before returning to Duke in 2009, Bennett served on the faculties of the Harvard School of Public Health and the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Bennett’s research program seeks to prevent and reduce obesity in high-risk populations. Bennett developed the interactive obesity treatment approach and has led several randomized controlled trials that investigate strategies to better manage obesity in the primary care setting. Bennett’s work is funded by multiple NIH agencies and the Robert Wood Johnson

Foundation. He serves on the editorial boards for Health Psychology and Annals of Behavioral Medicine and is an elected board member for the Society of Behavioral Medicine. Bennett has served on peer review and external advisory committees for several federal funding agencies. At Duke, Bennett is beginning his second term on Academic Council and serves on the China Faculty Council, the Global Health Education Committee, the SSRI Steering Committee, the DKU Vice-Chancellor search committee, and has completed service on several additional university committees.

Nan M. Jokerst is the J. A. Jones Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering and the Executive Director of the Shared Materials Instrumentation Facility (SMIF), which includes Duke's shared cleanroom and characterization facilities. She holds a BS in Physics from Creighton University, and MS and PhD degrees in Electrical Engineering from the University of Southern California. Prior to coming to Duke in 2003, Dr. Jokerst served on the faculty of the Georgia Institute of Technology for 14 years. Dr. Jokerst's research focuses on lasers, photodetectors, imagers, and optical integration for biomedical imaging and sensing, and metamaterials. Dr. Jokerst teaches undergraduate hands-on ECE design courses and optics courses, and graduate courses in ptoelectronics. She has published over 250 journal and conference papers, and is a Fellow of the Institute for Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE), and a Fellow of the Optical Society of America (OSA). She has served on the Board of Directors of OSA as Chair of the Engineering Council, and on the IEEE Photonics Board of Governors as Vice President of Conferences and as Vice President of Technology. She has also been awarded the Hewlett Packard/IEEE Rigas Medal for Education and an IEEE Third Millenium Medal. She currently serves on the National Academies Board on Global Science and Technology.

Dr. Jokerst has enjoyed serving on multiple search and review committees at Duke, as well as Academic Council for 1.5 years, the Executive Committee of the Graduate Faculty for 6 years, the Engineering Faculty Council for 2 years, and as Director of Graduate Studies in ECE for 2 years.

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Frederick "Fritz" Mayer is Associate Professor of Public Policy Studies and Political Science at the Sanford School. He received an A.B. in History and Literature, a Master of Public Policy and a PhD in Public Policy all from Harvard University, and then joined the Duke faculty in 1988. Professor Mayer's research is primarily focused on the political economy of trade, economic globalization, and, more recently, climate change. His current work also concerns the role of narratives in politics, particularly their role in enabling collective action. Professor Mayer has taught courses on political analysis, policy analysis, the political economy of public policy, negotiation, US foreign policy, public opinion, globalization and governance, narrative politics, and, currently, a freshman seminar on narrative and leadership. At the Sanford School, Professor Mayer

served as director of the MPP program from 2000-2009, launched and directed the PhD program in public policy from 2006-2009, and created and continues to direct the Program on Global Policy and Governance, a summer program in Geneva. At Duke, his service has included many terms on Academic Council and a prior term on ECAC (one year of which he was vice chair), as well as service on the Executive Committee of the Graduate School, the Athletics Council and its Executive Committee, the University Program on Environmental Policy (UPEP) Steering Committee, the Conflict of Interest Committee, the Building and Grounds Committee, the Study Abroad Committee, and the Provost's ad hoc committee that recommended elevation of Sanford to school status. In addition to his academic career, Professor Mayer has been an aide to two members of Congress, a consultant doing policy analysis for the US EPA, an editor of publications on public affairs for a Washington-based non-profit organization, and a semi-professional basketball player in Europe.

Dennis Clements is a professor in the Departments of Pediatrics, Community and Family Medicine, Nursing and Global Health at Duke University. Dr. Clements received his M.D. degree from the University of Rochester in New York and completed his pediatric residency at Duke University, North Carolina. Dr. Clements took a research year in Uganda during his medical school training where he worked for the Uganda Cancer Institute. He completed his Pediatric residency training at Duke from 1973-6. From 1976-8 Dr. Clements was a flight Surgeon in the USAF and is still a certified flight instructor. After 8 years in private practice in Durham, NC Dr. Clements returned to Duke University as a Pediatric Infectious Disease fellow. He also completed an MPH and PhD in epidemiology from the School of Public Health at the University of North Carolina. As a research fellow, Dr. Clements developed interests in both vaccine research and in pediatric infectious disease epidemiology research. In July 1990 Dr. Clements returned to Duke and joined the primary care pediatric practice, while he completed his PhD in December. At the same time he established the Duke Vaccine and Epidemiology Unit to continue studies on HIB, varicella, and rotavirus vaccines. He serves as the Medical Director of the Community Care of Northern Piedmont, a state Medicaid sponsored entity caring for 60,000 patients. He also is a consultant to the legislature as a member of the NC Physician Advisory Committee to Medicaid and a member of the State Health Coordinating Council (SHCC).

Dr. Clements is the Division Chief of Primary Care Pediatrics and director of the medical school class "Exploring Medicine in Foreign Cultures" which culminates in a ten day medical mission to Honduras. He is also the Medical Advisor to the Medical Spanish curriculum for Duke Medical Students. He is the Senior Advisor to the Duke Global Health Institute and in July 2008 became the director of the Center for Latin American and Caribbean studies at Duke and the co-Director of the Consortium of Duke and UNC in Latin American Studies. Dr. Clements has been a representative to the Academic Council for the School of Medicine for 10 years.

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Brenda Nevidjon is Professor of Nursing and Healthcare Leadership and coordinator of the Healthcare Systems graduate specialty in the School of Nursing. Professor Nevidjon joined the Duke faculty in 2000, and has also held adjunct faculty appointments in the Schools of Nursing at the University of Washington and University of British Columbia. In addition, she has had a career as an oncology nurse and health care executive, including being the first nurse and woman to serve as Chief Operating Officer of Duke University Hospital. Throughout her career, she has been recognized for her skill in bridging academic environments and practice settings to advance patient care, creating innovative work environments, promoting scholarship in practitioners, and developing leaders. She has published four books, 20 chapters, over 30 journal articles, and numerous editorials on clinical and administrative topics. She has served on editorial and review boards of professional journals and patient magazines. Professor Nevidjon earned her BSN degree at Duke and has been employed here in various capacities for more than 25 years. She received her MSN from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. She has served the School of Nursing, Medical Center, and University through many committees such as the Diversity Task Force, Executive Committee of the Medical Staff, Interprofessional Collaboration for Education Steering Committee, Duke-Wide Dean's Leadership Task Force, University Harassment Committee, and Academic Council. She is completing her term as the chair of the School of Nursing's Faculty Governance Association and is a member of the School's Appointment, Promotions, and Tenure Committee. Professor Nevidjon has served as president of several national organizations, such as the Oncology Nursing Society, and is currently a member of the IOM's National Cancer Policy Forum. She is a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing. This summer she will receive the American Nurses Association Honorary Recognition Award for contributions to the national and international nursing profession.