

**University of Cincinnati**  
**Board of Trustees**  
**Summary of Actions Taken at the Regular Meeting Held**

**February 23, 2021**

The following is a list of recommendations approved by the Board of Trustees at their regular meeting held on February 23, 2021 and filed in the Office of the Board of Trustees. The recommendations are listed under the committee(s) that initially reviewed and approved them.

**A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

**21.02.23.01 Approval of Academic Appointments**

**Synopsis:** It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the appointments of faculty and academic administrators. These recommendations have been reviewed and approved by the appropriate authorities.

**Emeritus Status**

Maria Alonso, MD	Associate Professor of Clinical Emerita College of Medicine Department of Surgery Effective January 1, 2021
Robert Arner, PhD	Professor Emeritus College of Arts and Sciences Department of English Effective January 1, 2021
George Bible	Associate Professor Emeritus College of Design, Architecture, Art and Planning School of Architecture and Interior Design Effective January 1, 2021
Kenneth Davis, Jr., MD	Professor Emeritus College of Medicine Department of Surgery Effective January 31, 2021
William Hurford, MD	Professor Emeritus College of Medicine Department of Anesthesiology Effective January 1, 2021
Alan Jobe, MD, PhD	Professor Emeritus College of Medicine Department of Pediatrics Effective December 1, 2020
Jonathan Kamholtz, PhD	Associate Professor Emeritus College of Arts and Sciences Department of English Effective January 1, 2021

Michele Vialet, PhD

Professor Emerita  
College of Arts and Sciences  
Department of Romance and Arabic Languages  
And Literatures  
Effective January 1, 2021

**Dean Reappointment**

Lawrence Johnson, PhD

Dean  
College of Education, Criminal Justice and  
Human Services  
Effective July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2024

**Endowed Chair Appointments**

Nishant Gupta, MD

The LAM Professorship in LAM Research  
College of Medicine  
Department of Internal Medicine  
Effective February 1, 2021

Ayman Mahdy, MD, PhD

R. Bruce and Barbara Bracken Endowed Chair in  
Surgical Urology  
College of Medicine  
Department of Surgery  
Effective January 1, 2021

Christy O’Dea, MD

Robert and Myfanwy Smith Chair  
College of Medicine  
Department of Family and Community Medicine  
Effective March 1, 2021

Charuhas Thakar, MD

The Robert G. Luke, MD Endowed Chair in  
Nephrology  
College of Medicine  
Department of Internal Medicine  
Effective February 1, 2021

**Academic Unit Head Appointments**

Iryna Topolyan, PhD

Unit Head  
Lindner College of Business  
Department of Economics  
Effective January 1, 2021 – August 14, 2025

**Academic Unit Head Reappointments**

Elaine Hollensbe, PhD

Unit Head  
Lindner College of Business  
Department of Management  
Effective August 15, 2021 – August 14, 2024

Karen Machleit, PhD

Unit Head  
Lindner College of Business  
Department of Marketing  
Effective August 15, 2021 – August 14, 2024

**New Faculty Appointments**

Lori Harris

Assistant Dean of Libraries with Tenure  
UC Libraries  
Effective November 1, 2020 – October 31, 2025

**Recommendations for Tenure or Promotion**

**From Associate Professor to Professor**

College of Medicine

Biplab DasGupta	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
Rhonda Szczesniak	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21

**From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor**

College of Medicine

Takanori Takebe	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
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**From Instructor of Clinical to Assistant Professor of Clinical**

College of Medicine

Sung Yang	Surgery	Effective 09/01/21
Alicia Caldwell	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21

**From Assistant Professor – Educator to Associate Professor – Educator**

Experience Based Learning and Career Education

Frederick Lutt	ELCE	Effective 09/01/20
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**From Assistant Professor of Clinical to Associate Professor of Clinical**

College of Medicine

Priya Gursahaney	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Effective 09/01/21
Jason St. Pierre	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Effective 09/01/21
Elizabeth Dale	Surgery	Effective 09/01/21
Jennifer Brady	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
Heather Ciesielski	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
DonnaMaria Cortezzo	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
Roohi Kharofa	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
Sarah Lawson	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
Ryan Moore	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
Brian Turpin	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21

**From Associate Professor of Clinical to Professor of Clinical**

College of Medicine

Benjamin Kerrey	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
Shelley Kirk	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
Rebecca Marsh	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
Kristin Melton	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
Christine White	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21

**From Research Assistant Professor to Research Associate Professor**

College of Medicine

Hitesh Deshmukh	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
Bahram Namjou-Khales	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21

**From Research Associate Professor to Research Professor**

College of Medicine

Jennifer Kaplan	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
Bin Zhang	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21

**From Field Service Associate Professor to Field Service Professor**

College of Medicine

Kristine Justus	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
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**From Instructor Educator to Assistant Professor Educator**

College of Medicine

Matthew Zackoff	Pediatrics	Effective 02/23/21
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**21.02.23.02                      Approval of Remediation Report**

**Synopsis:**                      It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the attached Remediation Report in response to the mandate by the Ohio Department of Higher Education. Section 3345.062 of the Ohio Revised Code requires that the Boards of Trustees of each state institution of higher education issue a report regarding the remediation of students.

**21.02.23.03                      Approval of 2021 Distinguished Research Professor Award**

**Synopsis:**                      It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the following appointments: Bonnie S. Fischer, PhD, School of Criminal Justice in the College of Education, Criminal Justice and Human Services and Kenneth E. Sherman, MD, PhD, Digestive Diseases in the College of Medicine as the 2021 Distinguished Research Professors.

**21.02.23.04                      Approval of 2021 Distinguished Teaching Professor Award**

**Synopsis:**                      It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the following appointments: Jane Z. Sojka, PhD, in the Carl H. Lindner College of Business, for the 2021 Distinguished Teaching Professor Award.

**21.02.23.05                    Approval of New Fellows for the Academy of Fellows for Teaching and Learning**

**Synopsis:**                    It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the faculty identified for induction into the Academy of Fellows for Teaching & Learning. These recommendations have been reviewed and approved by the appropriate authorities.

**Vittoria Daiello, PhD**  
Associate Professor - School of Art  
College of Design, Architecture, Art and Planning

**Patty Goedl, PhD**  
Associate Professor - Accounting  
UC Clermont

**Eric Gruenstein, PhD**  
Professor - Molecular Genetics  
College of Medicine

**Dana Harley, PhD**  
Associate Professor - School of Social Work  
College of Allied Health Sciences

**Marcus Johnson, PhD**  
Associate Professor - Educational Studies  
College of Education, Criminal Justice and Human Services

**Alexandru Maries, PhD**  
Assistant Professor - Physics  
College of Arts and Sciences

**Lindsey Mills, MS, RD, LD**  
Assistant Professor - Rehabilitation, Exercise and Nutrition  
College of Allied Health Sciences

**Maria Ortiz, PhD**  
Associate Professor - Foreign Languages  
UC Blue Ash

**Susan Watts-Taffe, PhD**  
Associate Professor - Language, Literature, Learning  
College of Education, Criminal Justice and Human Services

**21.02.23.06                    Approval of New Undergraduate Degree – Bachelor of Arts, Dance – College-Conservatory of Music**

**Synopsis:**                    It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the new Bachelor of Arts in Dance in the College Conservatory of Music. The proposal has been reviewed and approved by the appropriate authorities.

**21.02.23.07                    Approval of New Undergraduate Degree – Associate of Science, Early Childhood Care and Education – UC Blue Ash**

**Synopsis:**                    It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the new Associate of Science in Early Childhood Care and Education at UC Blue Ash. The proposal has been reviewed and approved by the appropriate authorities.

**21.02.23.08                    Approval of New Undergraduate Degree – Associate of Individualized Study In Interdisciplinary Studies – UC Clermont**

**Synopsis:**                    It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the new Associate of Individualized Study in Interdisciplinary Studies at UC Clermont, in collaboration with UC Online. The proposal has been reviewed and approved by the appropriate authorities.

**21.02.23.09                    Approval of New Undergraduate Degree – Bachelor of Science, Cybersecurity Engineering – College of Engineering and Applied Science**

**Synopsis:**                    It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the new Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity Engineering in the College of Engineering and Applied Science. The proposal has been reviewed and approved by the appropriate authorities.

**21.02.23.10                    Approval of New Graduate Degree – PhD, Communication – College of Arts and Sciences**

**Synopsis:**                    It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the new PhD in Communication in the College of Arts and Sciences. The proposal has been reviewed and approved by the appropriate authorities.

**B.            Finance and Administration Committee**

**21.02.23.11                    Approval of Block Lease Agreements to Support FY22 and FY23 Housing Demand**

**Synopsis:**                    It is recommended the Board of Trustees approve and authorize two Block Lease Agreement renewals and one new Block Lease Agreement providing replacement housing capacity of 461 undergraduate beds and maintaining capacity of 272 undergraduate beds and 51 graduate units, respectively, for the next one to three academic years.

**21.02.23.12                    Approval of Local Administration Competency Certification Program**

**Synopsis:**                    The Ohio Revised Code allows institutions of higher education to administer state-funded capital facilities projects without the supervision, control, or approval of the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission so long as participation in Local Administration Competency Certification Program and related compliance with supporting Ohio Revised Code stipulations occur. It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the projects to be allocated for FY 21-22 biennium state funds and administered locally.

**21.02.23.13                    Approval of Acquisition of Shriners Hospital for Children-Cincinnati**

**Synopsis:**                    It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the acquisition of The Shriners Hospital for Children-Cincinnati located at 3229 Burnet Avenue, Cincinnati.

**21.02.23.14                    Approval of Naming Request--Dr. Greer Glazer Endowed Chair for Diversity, Equity and Inclusive Excellence**

**Synopsis:**                    It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the name *Dr. Greer Glazer Endowed Chair for Diversity, Equity and Inclusive Excellence*.

**21.02.23.15                    Approval of Naming Request--The Fredrick A. Marcotte Library**

**Synopsis:**                    It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the name *The Frederick A. Marcotte Library*.

**21.02.23.16                    Approval of Naming Request--Trimble Technology Lab**

**Synopsis:**                    It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the names *DAAP Trimble Technology Lab* and *CEAS Trimble Technology Lab*.