A Celebration of Faculty Retirees

Words of Gratitude
A note from the IUPUI Chancellor: Nasser H. Paydar

Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for all that you have done over the years to make IUPUI a premier urban research institution.

As members of the IUPUI faculty, your dedication to educating our students, advancing knowledge and practice in your discipline, and engaging with our campus and the communities we serve has created an environment where all of us strive to achieve excellence.

Wherever your next steps take you, I hope you will keep in touch and continue to follow IUPUI as it evolves to serve our students, our community, and our world. At this time of great challenge for our campus and the broader society, I am reminded of the good work you have done to prepare IUPUI to overcome such challenges and am grateful for all that you have contributed in time, energy, and expertise.

I know this may be a bittersweet moment to retire with so much of our world having changed over the past year. Your efforts in research and in the classroom over years past have led us to our successful response to this pandemic. I join colleagues across campus in commending you for your service and wishing you the very best in retirement.

Sincerely,

Nasser H. Paydar
Chancellor
A note from the IUPUI Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer: Kathy E. Johnson

Dear Colleagues,

It is bittersweet writing this from a distance rather than celebrating together in person, and I sincerely hope that I can eventually thank you in person for your contributions to our university. Each of you has transformed countless lives through the classes you have offered, the curricula that you have shaped, and the creative discoveries and work that you have advanced within your fields. The words of gratitude shared by your colleagues only begin to capture the impact that you have had in your schools, on our campus and beyond, and I am profoundly grateful that you chose to devote this phase of your career to IUPUI.

Though your retirement hopefully will provide you with some much-deserved opportunities to pursue some personal goals as well as time for some fun, I do hope that you will consider remaining connected to us— as a mentor to a junior faculty member, or through educational or research endeavors that you continue to pursue. IUPUI’s Senior Academy is an incredibly active and dynamic group of retired colleagues who continually and creatively make our campus better. Please consider becoming involved, and know that the Office of Academic Affairs will always be a welcoming “landing spot” when you are able to return to IUPUI in the future.

I am deeply grateful for your service to our community, particularly during this very challenging period of time as we have coped with the pandemic. I wish you all the best, and hope that I can wish you well in person at some point in the future.

Sincerely,

Kathy E. Johnson
Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer
Professor of Psychology
Patrick W. Bankston, Ph.D.
Dean Emeritus, College of Health & Human Services, IU Northwest
Professor Emeritus of Anatomy, Cell Biology & Physiology, IU Northwest
Professor Emeritus of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, IU Northwest
School of Medicine

Thank you for all that you have done over the years to make the IU Northwest School of Medicine campus a premier regional campus for students to complete their training.

I am grateful for your years of service and contribution to milestone projects for our campus.

Wherever your next steps take you, I hope you will keep in touch and continue to follow accomplishments of the IU Northwest campus. At this time of great challenge for our campus and the broader society, I am reminded of the good work you have done to prepare the campus to overcome such challenges and am grateful for all that you have contributed in years of service, time, energy, and expertise.

I join colleagues across campus in commending you for your service and wishing you the very best in retirement.

Elizabeth R. Ryan, Ed.D.
Associate Dean and Campus Director, IU Northwest
Clinical Professor of Family Medicine
School of Medicine
Mark William McKenzie Bannatyne, Ph.D.
Associate Professor of Computer Graphics Technology
School of Engineering and Technology

You have made a huge difference in the Computer Graphics Technology (CGT) program and for many CGT students’ lives, and you will remain forever in our hearts. Lots of love and best wishes to our retiring Professor Bannatyne. Thanks so much for going above and beyond and bringing out the best in us. We promise that we will remember the classes and lessons you’ve taught in the CGT program and pass them on to the next generation. Congratulations on your retirement! Wishing you all the best as the dean of technology at Mott Community College.

Feng Li, Ph.D.
Chair and Associate Professor, Department of Computer Information and Graphics Technology
School of Engineering and Technology
Pavel M. Bleher, Ph.D.
Chancellor's Professor of Mathematical Sciences
School of Science

Since his appointment in 1994, Pavel Bleher has played a leadership role in building and advancing the mathematical physics research program in the Department of Mathematical Sciences into one of the premier research groups in that area anywhere in the world. Pavel is a scientist of enormous breadth and technical power, working at the fertile interface between mathematics and physics. His works range from hierarchical models in statistical physics, to random matrices, to even number theory. He is very well known for his excellent works on spectral asymptotics and quasi-classical analysis in the theory of quantum chaos and quantum and classical integrable systems.

In addition to his stellar research accomplishments, he has made outstanding contributions to the department’s undergraduate and graduate teaching programs. He has mentored individuals at all levels, from high school students to his junior colleagues. Pavel was a co-chair of the first Mathematical Sciences Research Institute Program on Random Matrix Models in 1999. That program gave start to many research directions in the area which continue to flourish. Pavel will be a named research professor at this year’s MSRI program. Professor Bleher is a scholar whose research is making great impact in the development of several directions of modern mathematics.

Jeffrey Watt, Ph.D.
The M. L. Bittinger Chair of Mathematics Education
Chair and Professor, Department of Mathematical Sciences
School of Science
William A. Blomquist, Ph.D., M.A., B.S.
Director, Liberal Arts Management Program
Director, Individualized Major Program
Professor of Political Science
Graduate Faculty Member, Graduate School, IU Bloomington
School of Liberal Arts

It would be easy to write a note about Bill Blomquist that praised all the many accomplishments found on his C.V. These accomplishments are voluminous, with his time spent leading the Department of Political Science and the School of Liberal Arts surely near the top of the list. His scholarship on water resources and management have made him one of the country’s foremost experts in the area.

His career spans the gap from grading homework sent through the mail by students taking classes on recorded public access television to live video Zoom feeds with students taking part simultaneously from all across central Indiana. But what cannot be found on a C.V. is an indicator of the incredibly high-quality colleague Bill Blomquist has been for more than 30 years. Bill’s is the calming voice in the room. His words carry the weight of one who is highly respected by all. He is generous with his time, kind with his words, and always willing to help those in need. He offers the perfect amount of advice at the exact right time.

The Department of Political Science would not be what it is today without his influence. He will be missed.

Aaron Dusso, Ph.D.
Chair and Associate Professor, Department of Political Science
School of Liberal Arts
David F. Canal, M.D.
Frederic W. Taylor Professor Emeritus of Surgery
School of Medicine

Dr. Canal attended Goshen College for his undergraduate degree and graduated Alpha Omega Alpha from the School of Medicine in 1983. After completing general surgery residency, he joined the faculty in the Department of Surgery in 1988 and rose in ranks to become the Frederic W. Taylor Professor of Surgery in 2007. During his three decades on the faculty, he developed a large clinical practice pioneering laparoscopic surgery and teaching these new skills to surgical residents. He served as chief of surgery at Wishard Hospital then Sidney & Lois Eskenazi Hospital from 2005 to 2017. He served as program director for the surgical residency from 2011 to 2014, but performed the work of program director for the previous 11 years as the title was held by the chair. Nationally, he served as president of Western Surgical Association and governor for the American College of Surgeons.

It is clear the Dr. Canal has played a major role in the success of the Department of Surgery over the last 30 years, particularly in its educational mission where he is highly respected as a wonderful and gifted educator and exemplar of clinical excellence for all.

Gary Dunnington, M.D.
Chair and Jay L. Grosfeld Professor of Surgery, Department of Surgery
School of Medicine
**Sally Catlin, M.A.**  
Lecturer of Computer Information and Graphics Technology  
School of Engineering and Technology

You helped the Computer Information Technology (CIT) program so much and your thoughts were always well thought out and to-the-point. I truly appreciate everything you did for CIT over the years. You will be missed. I know that you have something wonderful planned, and I wish your trips will be fun and safe!

You have made such a difference with your constant optimism, enthusiasm, and willingness in service learning. We know that you were able to make what seemed complicated into something the students could all be excited about and get behind. I know we’ll all really miss you. Thank you for everything you’ve done and please enjoy yourself!

Feng Li, Ph.D.  
Chair and Associate Professor, Department of Computer Information and Graphics Technology  
School of Engineering and Technology
Lan S. Chen, M.D.
Professor of Clinical Neurology
School of Medicine

The Department of Neurology and the School of Medicine has been privileged to have Dr. Lan Chen as a valued member of our faculty during the past 13 years. As a child neurologist with special expertise in epilepsy, Dr. Chen has served children and families from the entire state of Indiana in providing diagnostic evaluation and long-term management. Doctor Chen is a true national expert with respect to clinical neurophysiology and electroencephalograms (EEGs), an essential tool in the assessment of patients with epilepsy.

Lan is also a superb educator and has contributed to the instruction of medical students, neurology residents, and physicians during her tenure. She additionally made meaningful contributions in the realm of research related to epilepsy and clinical neurophysiology. Dr. Chen deserves recognition and acknowledgement for the many years of consistent high-level contributions to the core missions of the Department of Neurology and the School of Medicine.

We congratulate Lan and wish her all the very best in her retirement.

Laurie Gutmann, M.D.
Chair and Professor, Department of Neurology
School of Medicine
Peng-Sheng Chen, M.D.
Medtronic Zipes Professor Emeritus of Cardiology
Professor Emeritus of Medicine
School of Medicine

Dr. Peng-Shen has played an important role in the growth of the cardiology division and its success in the tripartite mission. He is a very well funded investigator whose basic science investigations greatly enhanced the role of autonomic nervous system in the pathogenesis and treatment of cardiac arrhythmias. He played an important role in training the next generation of clinical investigators, basic scientists, and clinician-educators.

He will be remembered for his visionary leadership and his multifaceted contributions.

Naga Chalasani, M.D.
Interim Chair and David W. Crabb Professor of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Medicine
School of Medicine
Mary D. Cooper, M.S.
Associate Dean and Professor of Allied Dental Education, IU Fort Wayne
School of Dentistry

The Allied Dental Education program in Fort Wayne has benefited from a long-term dedicated and loyal member of the team in Mary Cooper. Her desire for excellence has been evidenced in her teaching and her performance expectations for students, staff, and faculty alike. For more than four decades, Professor Cooper has been part of the Fort Wayne campus where she has led by example, exhibiting professionalism and strong moral ethics in all her daily pursuits. She did this with a kind and humorous approach to life. Her service was always with dedication and grace. These characteristics were an integral part of each mentoring relationship that she established with faculty and students alike, and there were many of them over the years. Her belief in the importance of mentoring was lived out in her contributions to creating the Campus Orientation and Mentoring Program Team on the Fort Wayne campus. Always the team player, Mary worked to be intentional in all she did, and many have reaped the benefits.

Thank you, Mary, for your dedication, your caring concern for the welfare of your colleagues and students, and for your pursuit of excellence in providing oral health care to the people we serve.

Jeffrey Platt, D.D.S., M.S., B.A.
Chair and Professor, Department of Biomedical Sciences and Comprehensive Care
School of Dentistry
A compilation of thanks from your colleagues at IU Fort Wayne.

Thank you for your years of service and commitment with nursing. You have been an inspiration to us all. Congratulations on a job well done and a retirement well deserved.

Thank you for your kind and gentle nature while guiding and leading our nursing students into the beginner nursing role. As a nurse practitioner, you role modeled the importance of attaining higher education and gaining expertise as a nursing professional. You should be proud, and you will be missed. Take good care of yourself and enjoy your retirement.

You have been a great grandmom and a great instructor. I wish you good luck in your new life journey. Don’t forget to visit Colorado and spend some time away from the snow!

Now is the time to look forward to doing all the things you’ve never had time for! I’m sure the students will miss you. Wishing you the very best in retirement! Enjoy!

Thank you for all of the advice and guidance you have given me as a new faculty member. You will be greatly missed by everyone at IU Fort Wayne School of Nursing. Congratulations on a well earned retirement! You have been a treasure to the School of Nursing!

Christopher Coleman, Ph.D.
Associate Dean and Professor, IU Fort Wayne
School of Nursing
Roman Dziarski, Ph.D.
Professor Emeritus of Microbiology & Immunology
School of Medicine

Thank you for all that you have done over the years to make School of Medicine’s Northwest campus a premier regional campus for students to complete their training.

At this time of great challenge for our campus and the broader society, I wanted to share my gratitude for all that you have contributed in years of service, funded research, national recognition for your research, time, energy, and expertise dedicated to medical student education!

I hope you will keep in touch and continue to follow accomplishments of the Northwest campus.

I join colleagues across campus in commending you for your service and wishing you the very best in retirement.

Elizabeth R. Ryan, Ed.D.
Associate Dean and Campus Director, IU Northwest
Clinical Professor of Family Medicine
School of Medicine
Valerie A Eickmeier, M.F.A.
Professor of Fine Arts
Herron School of Art + Design

Professor Valerie Eickmeier’s recent and former colleagues want to thank her for preserving and advancing the school’s long history and commitment to excellence. Her tireless effort as we moved onto campus and into the state-of-the-art buildings and facilities will serve the school and students well for generations to come.

We thank her for her leadership in developing a robust program of community partnerships for Herron, which allowed students to gain meaningful “real world” experience working on community projects and in partnership arrangements throughout central Indiana. Her leadership and support of this focus have been crucial.

During her long tenure as dean of Herron, her visionary leadership made it possible for countless Herron students to benefit from study abroad programs. She recognized the value of these opportunities for students, which supported faculty and staff in expanding Herron’s efforts in internationalization.

Finally, we thank her for her support of students, faculty, staff, alumni, community members, and other supporters and Friends of Herron, and for always placing Herron first in her thoughts and efforts. Her presence and contributions will be missed, but we are all very excited to see the next creative chapter of her ongoing story.

Greg Hull, M.F.A.
Interim Dean and The Valerie Eickmeier Professor in Sculpture
Herron School of Art + Design
Jonathan Robert Eller, Ph.D., M.A., B.A., B.S.
Co-founder and Former Director, Center for Ray Bradbury Studies
Chancellor’s Professor Emeritus of English
School of Liberal Arts

Jon Eller joined the IUPUI faculty in 1993 as a textual editor and has served, among many other positions, as the founding director of the Center for Ray Bradbury Studies. He has edited eighteen books of writings by Pierce, Santayana, and Bradbury and has authored three books on Bradbury that were finalists for the Locus Award.

Professor Eller’s teaching has had profound impact on his students, who have themselves won numerous awards. Anyone who has heard Jon speak in a public setting knows what an enthusiastic, knowledgeable, and generous spirit he brings to everything he does.

Jon has been unstinting in his service to IUPUI and his profession. His many honors include the Glenn W. Irwin Experience Excellence Recognition Award, delivering the John D. Barlow Lecture in the Humanities in 2012, and attaining a Chancellor’s Professorship. Most recently, Professor Eller was awarded a prestigious Indiana University Bicentennial Medal. I can think of no one more deserving of these accolades.

Jon Eller has been an outstanding colleague, scholar, and teacher during his long and distinguished career at IUPUI. On behalf of the faculty of the Department of English, I congratulate him on his retirement and wish him all the best.

David Hoegberg, Ph.D.
Chair and Associate Professor, Department of English
School of Liberal Arts
John D. Emhardt, M.D.
Associate Professor Emeritus of Anesthesia
School of Medicine

On behalf of the Department of Anesthesia, I want to thank you for all of your contributions to the department’s and our specialty’s contributions in clinical care, research, and teaching over your distinguished career.

In particular, your clinical and academic work in pediatric anesthesiology leave an admirable legacy of patients who have benefited directly from your care and the trainees who advanced their skills and knowledge based on your commitment to their education. I also would like to recognize and thank you for your outstanding contributions to the American Board of Anesthesiology and Society for Education in Anesthesia. Your service to the specialty as a longstanding oral board examiner, board question author, and chair of the Pediatric Anesthesiology Subspecialty Certification Examination are truly extraordinary accomplishments. Unquestionably, your lifetime efforts in our specialty have trained multiple generations of anesthesiologists, relieved suffering, and saved countless lives, which are remarkable contributions indeed.

Thank you so much!

David Adams, M.D.
Chair and Robert K. Stoelting Professor of Anesthesia, Department of Anesthesia
School of Medicine
**Pamela T. Ford, M.S.W.**
Program Director and Clinical Assistant Professor of Biomedical and Applied Sciences
School of Dentistry

Pam is a passionate and dedicated dental professional, educator, and promoter of higher education. As a lifelong learner she earned a Certificate in Dental Assisting from IU School of Dentistry, an Associate of Science in Dental Hygiene from Indiana State University, a Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene Education, and a Master of Social Work from the University of Southern Indiana.

Pam has contributed to the profession of dentistry in a variety of roles throughout her career including as a dental hygienist and an educator. In 2005, she joined School of Dentistry as a dental assisting faculty member and program director. Her passion for education and educating others led to two collaborative grant programs related to tobacco cessation and oral hygiene education for pregnant women and babies. Through her continued education and vast experience, Pam became a wealth of dental knowledge. Through the continued use of her teaching materials, Pam’s legacy of dental assisting education continues through dental materials and expanded restorative functions courses.

Pam called the School of Dentistry “dental heaven” because of the brilliance and experiences housed within these walls. Thank you for your many contributions and service to the profession of dentistry and dental education. From all of us at “dental heaven,” we wish you the best in your retirement!

Michelle Priest, C.D.A.
Interim Director, Dental Assisting
School of Dentistry
**Claudia E. Grossmann, Ph.D.**  
Associate Director, Max Kade German-American Center  
Senior Lecturer of German in World Languages and Cultures  
Co-Director of the Dual Degree Program in German and Engineering  
School of Liberal Arts

Dr. Claudia E. Grossmann has been recognized as one of the most admired professors and leaders in the Department of World Languages and Cultures. Countless students and mentees describe her as an exceptional educator, a student-centered instructor devoted to her craft, and an unparalleled mentor. She created a number of commendable initiatives such as the dual-degree program in Engineering and German, for which she secured internship positions overseas, and founded the Heilbronn Summer Study Abroad Program in Germany.

Dr. Grossmann served on important campus and school committees and as associate director of the Max Kade German-American Center. As a board member of the Indiana German Heritage Society and the Indianapolis-Cologne Sister City Committee, she has worked determinedly for connecting IUPUI and the German-American community. This is especially visible in her Saturday German School for Children. Dr. Grossmann has been honored with the Trustees’ Teaching Award, the SLA Outstanding Lecturer Award, the Susan Buck Sutton Award for Study Abroad, the Indiana Association of Teachers of German Post-Secondary Teacher of the Year Award, and the IUPUI Commission on Women Recognition Award.

Thank you, Claudia, for your outstanding and inspiring career. You leave a legacy of commitment, impact and accomplishments.

Rosa Tezanos-Pinto, Ph.D.  
Chair and Associate Professor of Spanish, Department of World Languages and Cultures  
School of Liberal Arts
Bryan E. Hainline, M.D., Ph.D.
Professor Emeritus of Clinical Medical and Molecular Genetics
Professor Emeritus of Clinical Pediatrics
School of Medicine

Dr. Hainline received his M.D. and Ph.D. degrees at Duke University. He completed his pediatric internship and residency at the St. Louis Children’s Hospital and then underwent fellowship training in medical, biochemical, and molecular genetics.

Since joining the faculty at the School of Medicine in 1989, Dr. Hainline has provided outstanding care to patients with a variety of rare genetic disorders. His dedication to his patients is well recognized and because of his unique areas of specialty. There have been times when he was the only physician in our department caring for these patients. His encyclopedic knowledge of metabolic pathways has been called upon repeatedly by his clinical colleagues. Dr. Hainline’s patients and their families have frequently expressed their gratitude for his expert care and attention. He has been instrumental statewide in the evaluation of babies suspected of having a genetic disorder based on their newborn screen, a.k.a. the foot stick the baby has before leaving the hospital.

Dr. Hainline and his wife are also accomplished and recognized ballroom dancers. We hope that Dr. Hainline will have more time to devote to his family and the world of dance!

Tatiana Foroud, Ph.D.
Chair and Professor, Department of Medical and Molecular Genetics
School of Medicine
Sara Anne Hook, M.B.A., J.D., M.L.S.
Professor Emeritus of Human-Centered Computing
School of Informatics and Computing

Since joining IUPUI in 1983, Professor Hook made significant and far-reaching contributions to the campus, the School of Informatics and Computing, and the larger community.

After serving as public services librarian in the School of Dentistry until 1987 and then head librarian for the school until 1999, she became associate dean of the faculties in IUPUI's Office of Academic Policies, Procedures and Documentation. She held this position until 2004, when she became associate dean for academic affairs and undergraduate studies in the still very young School of Informatics.

Sara’s considerable experience became a formative pillar in the early growth of the school. The benefits of Sara’s leadership in an assortment of roles over those early years cannot be overstated. She served as co-executive associate dean and then associate dean for academic affairs. As a professor of informatics, she created an online undergraduate certificate in legal informatics and created and taught courses in entrepreneurship, information governance, and competitive intelligence. Her role in mentoring faculty in the undergraduate informatics program was also impactful.

We are immensely thankful for Sara’s role in building a stronger campus and school. She will be greatly missed, and we wish her the best in her retirement.

Davide Bolchini, Ph.D.
Chair and Professor, Department of Human-Centered Computing
Director, Human-Computer Interaction Program
School of Informatics and Computing
Marc Peter Jacobson, M.F.A.
Professor Emeritus of Fine Arts
Herron School of Art + Design

Professor Marc Jacobson’s recent and former colleagues want to thank him for putting his best into every conversation and critique with his students. His insights and input were of tremendous value in challenging and empowering Herron students to develop their own artistic voice and talents. We thank him for being so supportive of student activities in and around Indianapolis. We know that each year, he was a regular participant attending Herron student events both in the school and throughout the community. This type of support from a faculty member is a wonderful type of encouragement!

We all thank him for sharing his deeply felt appreciation for visual art with each and every student, faculty member, and staff member who has had the distinct pleasure of knowing him, for his authenticity, and for the saxophone at graduation.

We want to thank him for his steady, thoughtful counsel, good humor, and endless willingness to support those around him.

Even though we will all miss his insight, teaching, mentoring, and warm smile, we all wish him much success and many happy new creative pursuits in retirement and hope he will always feel welcome as an important member of Herron’s family.

Greg Hull, M.F.A.
Interim Dean and the Valerie Eickmeier Professor in Sculpture
Herron School of Art + Design
Henry L. Jones, M.D.
Professor Emeritus of Clinical Pediatrics
School of Medicine

Dr. Henry Jones is an incredible physician, teacher, and mentor who touched the lives of hundreds of pediatricians in the state of Indiana and beyond. From his time on the Methodist pediatric wards and newborn nursery, to his countless outpatient clinic sessions, Dr. Jones was a calm, caring, and thoughtful educator and leader.

His “Jones’ Rounds” and “Jones’ Rules” will forever be in the hearts and minds of those lucky enough to have been taught by him. Not only did he teach many about pediatrics, but he taught many how to teach. Though he is now retired, his presence is still felt among those who worked with him, and faculty strive to continue in the educational endeavors that he so obviously loved.

D. Wade Clapp, M.D.
Chair and Distinguished Professor, Department of Pediatrics
Richard L. Schreiner Professor of Pediatrics
School of Medicine

Dorota Szczepaniak, M.D.
Chief, Division of General and Community Pediatrics
School of Medicine
Dr. James H. Jones, M.D.
Professor Emeritus of Clinical Emergency Medicine
School of Medicine

Dr. Jones: a compilation from those who have had the privilege of working with you.

Thoughtful, humble, approachable. Gentle, patient, wise. These are just a few of the hundreds of adjectives that graduates of the emergency medicine residency use to describe Dr. Jones. For over thirty years, Dr. Jones has cared for patients and taught students and residents in the emergency department. It is impossible to quantify the number of lives he has positively impacted during his long and distinguished career. In addition to being a stellar clinician and teacher, he has also served the specialty at the highest levels through his national leadership. But what truly sets him apart is his consistent dedication to each individual patient and learner, everyday for three decades, through his service on the frontline of emergency medicine.

On behalf of our colleagues and countless generations of residents and students, we honor you and we thank you. You are truly a giant in our field. These words are inadequate to convey the full extent of our gratitude for all you have done and accomplished over a long and distinguished career. We are so grateful for you.

Peter Pang, M.D.
Chair and Rolly McGrath Professor of Emergency Medicine, Department of Emergency Medicine
School of Medicine
Barry P. Katz, Ph.D.
Professor Emeritus of Biostatistics
Adjunct Professor Emeritus, School of Public Health
School of Medicine

Dr. Barry P. Katz has dedicated 36 years of his career to advancing statistical science and
strengthening biomedical research on this campus. As an elected fellow of the American
Statistical Association, Dr. Katz has received the highest honor and recognition that a
biostatistician could receive. Dr. Katz is internationally known for his scholarship, especially in
the modeling of sexually transmitted infections. He has published in top statistical and medical
journals. Many of his papers are being cited long after they first appeared in scientific journals,
reflecting the long-lasting impact of his work.

Dr. Katz is the founding chair of the Department of Biostatistics. Under his leadership, the
department has grown steadily in size and impact. Last year, the department was ranked twelfth
nationally among all biostatistics departments in National Institutes of Health (NIH) funding.
This is a remarkable achievement for a relatively new department. We thank Dr. Katz for his
strong leadership.

Dr. Katz’s wisdom has shaped the careers of many younger colleagues, including that of my own.
To me, Dr. Katz will always be a great mentor and a dear friend. Thank you, Barry, for
everything!

Wanzhu Tu, Ph.D.
Interim Chair and Professor, Department of Biostatistics and Health Data Science
School of Medicine
Jeffrey J. Kellams, M.D.
Professor Emeritus of Clinical Psychiatry
School of Medicine

Dr. Jeffrey Kellams has had a long and distinguished career at the School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry that includes having been an active teacher of our medical students for some 40 years. In addition to his contributions to our educational mission, he was a collaborating clinical researcher at the Larue Carter Hospital, contributing to the pioneering work on the causes and treatment of schizophrenia in the labs of Drs. Joyce and Iver Small. Dr. Kellams held numerous key clinical leadership positions as well, including serving as the medical director of Larue Carter Hospital from 1998 to 2006, the medical director of Midtown Mental Health Center from 2006 to 2012, and most recently the chief psychiatrist for the Midtown Mental Health Center Stabilization Treatment and Rehabilitation Services Program (STARS) program, caring for 600 patients with intellectual disabilities and severe behavioral challenges.

In short, Dr. Kellams has been a pillar of our department for more than four decades and we are profoundly grateful for his contributions in all of our mission areas.

Thomas McAllister, M.D.
Chair and Albert Eugene Sterne Professor of Clinical Psychiatry, Department of Psychiatry
School of Medicine
Deborah Biss Keller, Ph.D.
Clinical Associate Professor of Urban Teacher Education
School of Education

It has been an honor to have Deb as a colleague. In addition to her great sense of humor and collegial spirit, she is a strong ally in the quest for social justice in education. Her passion for teaching is immense. She has poured her heart and soul into investing in our future teachers.

While we will miss her in the daily routines of our work, I know that she will find new ways to bring about social justice in education. I wish her the best in this next chapter of her life and look forward to hearing wonderful stories about her adventures with her grandchildren.

Cheers!

Tambra O. Jackson, Ph.D.
Interim Dean and Professor
School of Education
Sheila Suess Kennedy, J.D.
Professor Emeritus of Law and Public Policy
Paul H. O'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs

Sheila Suess Kennedy retired as professor of law and policy in the O'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs and affiliate faculty member in the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy.

Before coming to IUPUI in 1998, she practiced real estate, administrative and business law in Indianapolis, served as Indianapolis’ corporation counsel, and was the 1980 Republican candidate for Indiana’s then 11th Congressional District seat.

From 1992 to 1998, Kennedy served as executive director of the Indiana Civil Liberties Union. She is a prolific author of books, articles, editorials, papers, and blogs.

Highlights of her success include the Chancellor’s Faculty Award for Excellence in Civic Engagement, Trustees’ Teaching Award, Outstanding Alumni of the Year in the School of Law, Robert Risk Award for Lifetime Achievement from the ACLU of Indiana, and the Johnson Award for Best Paper in Ethics and Accountability.

Throughout her 22-year career at IUPUI, she exhibited devotion to teaching her students vital law and public policy content to help them “major in making a difference” and made substantial contributions to professional law, public service, and community advocacy, for which she received emeritus status.

Thank you, Sheila, for all you have shared with the O’Neill School students, faculty, and staff.

Thomas Stucky, Ph.D.
Executive Associate Dean and Professor
Paul H. O’Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs
Brian G. Kennedy, Ph.D.
Associate Professor Emeritus of Anatomy, Cell Biology & Physiology, IU Northwest
School of Medicine

Thank you for all that you have done over the years to make the School of Medicine’s Northwest campus a premier regional campus for students to complete their training.

At this time of great challenge for our campus and the broader society, I wanted to share my gratitude for all that you have contributed in years of service, staying on an extra year to help with my transition and recruit a physiologist, student advocacy, time, energy, and expertise dedicated to your research and medical student education!

I hope you will keep in touch and continue to follow accomplishments of the Northwest campus. I also hope that I run into you at Louie’s when COVID-19 restrictions lighten.

I join colleagues across campus in commending you for your service and wishing you the very best in retirement.

Elizabeth R. Ryan, Ed.D.
Associate Dean and Campus Director, IU Northwest
Clinical Professor of Family Medicine
School of Medicine
Cheryl A. Krushinski, D.D.S.
Clinical Assistant Professor of Oral Pathology, Medicine and Radiology
School of Dentistry

Dr. Cheryl Krushinski joined the Department of Oral Pathology, Medicine and Radiology in 2007 after serving as a research associate at the Oral Health Research Institute since 1997. She served as principal investigator or study dentist in over 100 dental clinical studies. With Oral Pathology, Medicine and Radiology (OPMR), Dr. Krushinski taught in the Screening Clinic and lectured to dental hygiene and dental assisting students. She was an investigator in the international study of the Saliwell GenNarino electrical salivary stimulator which resulted in two major publications. Dr. Krushinski worked with dental students teaching them how to use the Velscope instrument to identify areas of oral precancer or cancer. She worked with Seal Indiana with dental students providing thousands of dental sealants throughout Indiana. Dr. Krushinski developed a School of Dentistry online access resource for the treatment of oral mucosal disorders. She directed clinical oral consultations at the School of Dentistry. Nationally, she represented the School of Dentistry on the American Dental Education Association Oral Medicine Section.

Dr. Krushinski will be missed because of her commitment to the students, the excellence of her teaching and clinical consults, the excellence and integrity of her research and to Seal Indiana which are enduring contributions to the success of the School of Dentistry and our students.

We wish her every success and happiness in her retirement.

Susan Zunt, D.D.S.
Chair and Professor, Department of Oral Pathology, Medicine and Radiology
School of Dentistry
Gary W. Lemmon, M.D.
Professor Emeritus of Surgery
School of Medicine

Dr. Lemmon is an alumni of the School of Medicine graduating in the class of 1980. He completed general surgery residency at Wright State University and vascular surgery at St. Vincent’s Hospital in Toledo and the Cleveland Clinic. After a time in private practice, Dr. Lemmon joined the faculty in the Department of Surgery at the School of Medicine in 2008, where he has maintained a busy clinical practice in endovascular surgery and vascular reconstruction.

He has made academic contributions nationally as an active member of nine professional societies and contributed close to 50 peer-reviewed manuscripts to the literature. He has been a strong proponent and leader of clinical trials in vascular surgery serving as the principal investigator on a number of these trials. Perhaps Dr. Lemmon’s greatest legacy will be in his outstanding teaching of medical students and residents, receiving the Teaching Excellence Award (top ten percent of teachers) in 2012, 2013, 2016, and 2018. In 2017, he received the Department of Surgery’s highest honor for Most Outstanding Teacher for Residents.

Students, residents and peers alike will miss his professionalism, his organized and insightful teaching, and his compassionate care of patients. He has been awarded professor emeritus status.

Gary Dunnington, M.D.
Chair and Jay L. Grosfeld Professor of Surgery, Department of Surgery
School of Medicine
Randall T. Loder, M.D.
Professor Emeritus of Orthopaedic Surgery
School of Medicine

Dr. Randall Loder joined the School of Medicine in 2002 as professor of orthopaedic surgery and chief of the Section of Pediatric Orthopaedics. During his time at the School of Medicine, he served as interim chair of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery from 2003-2005 and again from 2011-2016. While providing the highest level of care to our pediatric patients over the past 18 years, he continued robust clinical research activity and published well over 100 peer-reviewed articles and multiple book chapters. He has been an invited guest lecturer all over the world.

Randy has been an outstanding teacher and mentor for learners at all levels, as well as faculty. His many accomplishments have profoundly impacted the field of pediatric orthopaedics. Although he continues his passion for clinical research and mentoring, we are all grateful for Randy’s many years of service and wish him the very best in his retirement from clinical academic medicine.

L. Daniel Wurtz, M.D.
Chair, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery
School of Medicine
Bruce W. Long, M.S.
Associate Professor Emeritus of Radiologic and Imaging Sciences
School of Medicine

Bruce Long joined the Radiologic Sciences Program at the School of Allied Health Sciences in 1985 at IUPUI. The program transitioned in 2002 to the School of Medicine’s Department of Radiology and Imaging Sciences. Bruce was appointed director of the Radiologic and Imaging Sciences Programs in June 2005. The programs thrived and expanded under his leadership.

Bruce was an active member of many professional societies and was inducted as a fellow of the American Society of Radiologic Technologists and the Association of Educators in Radiologic and Imaging Sciences. He taught numerous classes in the radiography program and gave over 40 talks at postgraduate and CME courses. He was active on over 50 university committees and several state committees. Bruce was awarded three grants and numerous teaching and research awards at the national level. He authored 24 peer-reviewed publications and 9 books, including being an editor of “Merrill’s Atlas of Radiographic Positioning and Procedures,” which is the most widely used imaging text and the most comprehensive radiographic positioning reference in the world!

We are very grateful for the contributions Bruce Long made during his 35 years of dedicated service and for his leadership of the Radiologic and Imaging Sciences Programs. We wish him the best in his retirement.

Himanshu Shah, M.D.
Chair, Department of Radiology and Imaging Sciences
School of Medicine
Joyce L. Mac Kinnon, Ed.D.
Professor Emerita of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences
Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs
School of Health & Human Sciences

Joyce has been an advocate and a guiding light for student and faculty development that spans her time in both the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences and the School of Health & Human Sciences. Her leadership and wisdom were integral for many young leaders as she provided mentorship throughout her tenure. Her unwavering positive attitude and attention to detail helped support the growth and development of both schools. She was an integral part of the reorganization process as we worked through the challenges of the merger.

She will be greatly missed by all but always be remembered as a great colleague, faculty member, and administrator that provided exceptional service to our school and the IUPUI campus.

Rafael Bahamonde, Ph.D.
Founding Dean
School of Health & Human Sciences
Bernhard F. Maier, Ph.D.
Assistant Research Professor of Medicine
School of Medicine

Professor Bernhard Maier recently started his journey into retirement. He earned his Ph.D. in
Germany and, after a stay at the National Institutes of Health, joined the Diabetes Center and
more recently the Renal Division at the School of Medicine.

Bernhard is an outstanding researcher with broad interests in the biology of p53, diabetes,
aging, cancer, and kidney disease. He has made transformative contributions to all these fields.
His passion for research was always contagious, and he dedicated his skills and first-rate
intellect to the pure advancement of science. Many have benefited from his insights, and he
devoted significant time to teaching and mentoring. Bernhard is simply a superb scientist,
scholar, and a renaissance man who always craved for finding truth and beauty in everything he
studied.

We wish him a beautiful journey into retirement and look forward to his continued invaluable
contributions as a visiting part-time scientist in our division.

Pierre Dagher, M.D.
Bruce Molitoris Professor of Medicine
School of Medicine

Takashi Hato, M.D.
Assistant Professor of Medicine
School of Medicine
Bruce K. McCallister, M.S.W., B.A.
Lecturer
School of Social Work

Bruce McCallister earned his bachelor’s in sociology at IU Bloomington, followed by his Master of Social Work at Western Michigan University in 1986. After several years of work as a community organizer and child welfare worker, Bruce joined the School of Social Work in August 2006, quickly becoming an essential part of the faculty. Teaching four courses each semester, with rejuvenating summers off to farm, he made a vital contribution to our mission of educating future leaders and positively impacting society.

Bruce has deep roots in the Monroe and Owen County communities, giving countless hours to many groups. Perhaps the most notable in recent years is his service to the advisory board of the Bloomington Farmer’s Market, navigating the rocky waters of the rising white supremacy movement and facing the pandemic. His community engagement is as remarkable as his ability to inspire students to policy advocacy.

Countless students have expressed gratitude for what they have learned from Bruce, and his colleagues feel the same way. To us, Bruce epitomizes growth, pouring everything in to growing students and our community, with social justice at his core. We will miss him deeply, but he left us stronger and brighter for his presence.

Carol Hostetter, Ph.D.
Professor and B.S.W. Program Director
School of Social Work
Robert M. Pascuzzi, M.D.
Professor Emeritus of Neurology
School of Medicine

Dr. Robert Pascuzzi has been a faculty member of the School of Medicine’s Department of Neurology for 35 years, serving as chairman for the past 18 years. He is a specialist in neuromuscular diseases and has provided expert diagnosis and long-term care for patients with these types of disorders. He is a national leader in neurology education and highly sought-after local and guest lecturer. He received the school’s Golden Apple teaching award 11 times from graduating classes.

Under his leadership, the department further enhanced its long reputation in teaching, clinical care, and research. This consistently resulted in a higher percentage of IU medical students choosing a career in neurology than any other U.S. school. He is a nationally-recognized leader in residency accreditation and professional credentialing by his service to the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education and American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology.

He is also a great human being. We are grateful for his genuine warmth and willingness to help on any occasion. These qualities have made the department a home to patients, students, residents, and colleagues. We thank Bob for his service and wish him all the best in the post-chairmanship phase of his career.

Laurie Gutmann, M.D.
Chair and Professor, Department of Neurology
School of Medicine
Sandra G. Petronio, Ph.D., M.A.
Director, Communication Privacy Management Center
Professor of Communication Studies
School of Liberal Arts

Sandra Petronio has been a treasured colleague since her arrival at IUPUI as “First Lady” of the campus. Her contributions to the field, campus, department, and community have been invaluable. She was already a prolific scholar when arriving here. Her development of Communication Privacy Management Theory (CPM) has shaped the field of communication studies. Scholars across the globe have employed CPM theory, and her work is cited widely. At IUPUI, she founded the Communication Privacy Management Center to serve as “a hub of learning, research, and practices about privacy management.”

Dr. Petronio has received a multitude of honors. Most recently, she was named Distinguished Scholar of the National Communication Association. Her work has garnered numerous awards, far too many to cite here. In our department, she was instrumental in developing the Ph.D. program in health communication, the only program of its kind in the country.

Dr. Petronio has been a generous and thoughtful mentor to both students and junior faculty. She has left an indelible mark on the field of communication and has had a significant and lasting impact on all who have worked with her. Her colleagues will miss her greatly. We wish her much happiness in her retirement.

Kristine Karnick, Ph.D.
Chair and Associate Professor, Department of Communication Studies
School of Liberal Arts
Robert G. Presson, M.D.
Robert K. Stoelting Professor Emeritus of Anesthesia
Professor Emeritus of Pediatrics
School of Medicine

On behalf of the Department of Anesthesia, I want to thank you for all of your efforts to support the department’s and our specialty’s contributions in clinical care, research, and teaching over your amazing and distinguished career. In particular, your clinical, research, and academic work in pediatric anesthesiology leave an admirable legacy of patients who have benefited directly from your care and the trainees who advanced their skills and knowledge based on your commitment to their education.

I also would like to recognize and thank you for your outstanding contributions as the Robert K. Stoelting Chair of Anesthesia, during which the department flourished in all missions. Highlights include the development and growth of the Indiana University Anesthesiologist Assistant program, introduction and expansion of the Anesthesia Care Team model, and establishment of the Center for Anesthesia Research Excellence.

Unquestionably, your lifetime efforts in our specialty have trained multiple generations of anesthesiologists, relieved suffering, saved countless lives, and advanced our knowledge, which are remarkable contributions indeed. Thank you so much!

David Adams, M.D.
Chair and Robert K. Stoelting Professor of Anesthesia, Department of Anesthesia
School of Medicine
Frederick J. Rescorla, M.D.
Professor Emeritus of Surgery
Anna Olivia Healey Professor Emeritus of Pediatric Surgery
School of Medicine

Dr. Rescorla completed his undergraduate degree at Calvin College and medical school at the University of Wisconsin before coming to Indiana University, where he completed both his general surgery residency and pediatric surgery fellowship. He joined the faculty in the Department of Surgery rising to full professor in 2000. Dr. Rescorla was named the Lafayette F. Page Professor of Surgery and chief of pediatric surgery 2005, as well as program director. Since 2016, Dr. Rescorla has been the Anna O. Healey Chair in Pediatric Surgery.

Nationally, he served on nine committees for the American Pediatric Surgical Association and multiple roles in the Children’s Oncology Group and Children’s Cancer Group. Locally, he has served on the Admissions Committee for the School of Medicine since 1989. With over 250 peer-reviewed publications, his scholarship is remarkable. As a teacher of students and residents, there are few more celebrated over his 30 years of service, winning a total of 16 teaching awards, most recently the Indiana University Trustees’ Teaching Award in 2019.

It would be difficult to fully estimate the impact Dr. Rescorla has had over the last 30 years on students, residents, and the hundreds of children and families impacted by his skill and compassion.

Gary Dunnington, M.D.
Chair and Jay L. Grosfeld Professor of Surgery, Department of Surgery
School of Medicine
Mary Elizabeth Riner, Ph.D.
Professor Emerita of Community and Health Systems
School of Nursing

Dr. Mary Beth Riner has served the School of Nursing and IUPUI for almost 30 years. She was the director of the World Health Collaborative Center for Healthy Cities from 2005 to 2009 and the School of Nursing associate dean for global affairs from 2012 to 2018. As a strong advocate for advancing the international mission of Indiana University, she has received many recognitions for her international efforts. These include the 2010 Civilian Diplomacy Award for Best Practice in Global Health, awarded by the United States Center for Citizen Diplomacy, Senator Paul Simon Award for Internalization, and Susan Buck Sutton Award for Contributions to Study Abroad.

Dr. Riner is an expert educator with scholarship in community health, global health, and nursing education. She led a Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) grant aimed to prepare nurse leaders through Doctor of Nursing Practice education and community needs assessment studies in African countries. Her work has been widely acknowledged through honors and awards, including induction as a fellow into the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN) and appointment by the United States Department of State as a Fulbright Specialist.

We sincerely thank Dr. Riner for her many contributions to the department, the School of Nursing, the campus, university, and our community.

Carol Shieh, D.N.Sc.
Interim Chair and Associate Professor, Department of Community and Health Systems
School of Nursing
Becky A. Salmon, M.S., R.N., C.C.R.N.
Associate Professor of Nursing, IU Fort Wayne
School of Nursing

A compilation of thanks from your colleagues at IU Fort Wayne.

Thank you for all you have done and all you have taught, and very best wishes for a happy retirement. Even more important are the friendships you have developed over the time in the School of Nursing. You certainly will be missed!

Thank you for guiding and leading our students in understanding med-surg nursing and critical care concepts that prepared them for their beginning journey into the professional nursing role. Thank you for your leadership in curriculum and other important committees that contributed to our strong nursing program. You should be proud, and you will be missed.

Take good care of yourself and enjoy your retirement!

Thanks for everything you have done throughout all these years. You will be greatly missed.

I wish you great luck in your new life journey. Don’t forget to spend most of the time in a warm weather state.

I wish you the happiest in retirement! You have been a blessing to students over the years! Now take the time to enjoy all the things you really want to do but didn’t have time for!

Your wealth of knowledge have made you a fundamental part of our team, and you will be truly missed!

Christopher Coleman, Ph.D.
Associate Dean and Professor, IU Fort Wayne
School of Nursing
Dr. David Skalnik has made numerous contributions during his 30 years at IUPUI. Dave received his B.A. in biochemistry and molecular biology from the University of California Santa Barbara and his Ph.D. from Stanford University. After a postdoctoral fellowship at Harvard Medical School, he joined the Departments of Pediatrics and Biochemistry & Molecular Biology at the School of Medicine in 1991. At the School of Medicine, Dave was promoted to associate professor in 1996 and full professor in 2001. He was an instructor of B500 Introductory Biochemistry for 20 years, serving as course director for 10 of those years. In 2004, he was a recipient of Trustees’ Teaching Award for excellence in teaching at the School of Medicine.

In 2011, he was named associate dean for research and graduate education in the School of Science and was appointed as professor of biology. In biology, Dave developed and taught a graduate course on epigenetics. Dave’s research focused on epigenetics and he published over 45 scientific articles while at the School of Medicine and IUPUI. He trained a multitude of postdoctoral fellows, graduate students, and undergraduates in research. Dave has had a profound impact enhancing the research and graduate programs in the School of Science and has been an invaluable asset to IUPUI and the scientific community.

Ted Cummins, Ph.D.
Chair and Professor, Department of Biology
School of Science
Gwen C. Sprehn, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Clinical Neurology
School of Medicine

Dr. Gwendolyn (Gwen) Sprehn has been a faculty member in the Department of Neurology, Section of Neuropsychology, at the School of Medicine since 2007. Dr. Sprehn directed the adult neuropsychology clinic, bringing to it an impressive span of generalist expertise across a range of disorders. She oversaw and managed the Neuropsychology Section’s most rapid period of clinic growth and was a key planner in the service’s design and implementation in the new IU Health Neuroscience Center.

She was particularly instrumental in supporting Neurology’s clinics and trials in the surgical management of epilepsy. She also supported several other research areas in stroke, movement disorders, and the use of art therapy with neurological patients. Dr. Sprehn was very active as a supervisor in the joint Psychiatry/Neurology APPCN-accredited Neuropsychology Residency Training Program, playing a central role in both resident selection and training. She also supervised numerous doctoral students from various psychology training programs in the Indianapolis area.

Her deft, wise, and thoughtful touch with patients, families, staff, and colleagues was, and continues to be, highly valued. In this and many other regards, we are all grateful that she continues to see patients in retirement. Such faculty cannot be replaced.

Laurie Gutmann, M.D.
Chair and Professor, Department of Neurology
School of Medicine
Andrew F. Stasic, M.D.
Associate Professor Emeritus of Clinical Anesthesia
School of Medicine

On behalf of the Department of Anesthesia, I want to thank you for all of your efforts to support the department’s and our specialty’s contributions in clinical care, research, and teaching over your distinguished career.

In particular, your clinical and academic work in pediatric anesthesia leave an admirable legacy of patients who have benefited directly from your care and the trainees who advanced their skills and knowledge based on your commitment to their education. I also would like to recognize and thank you for your outstanding contributions to the American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA), as well as the Indiana State Component Society. Your service to the specialty as an American Board of Anesthesiology oral board examiner and board question author, ASA House of Delegates member, and multiple ASA committees are extraordinary accomplishments. Unquestionably, your lifetime efforts in our specialty have trained multiple generations of anesthesiologists, relieved suffering, and saved countless lives, which are remarkable contributions indeed. Thank you so much!

David Adams, M.D.
Chair and Robert K. Stoelting Professor of Anesthesia, Department of Anesthesia
School of Medicine
**Paula D. Sullivan, Ph.D.**  
Associate Professor Emeritus of Clinical Pediatrics  
School of Medicine

For 33 years, Dr. Paula Sullivan served the Department of Pediatrics and the School of Medicine, sharing her expertise with warmth, compassion, and caring. A clinical psychologist trained at Purdue University and Duke University, Dr. Sullivan came to the School of Medicine to collaborate with Dr. Morris Green to build behavioral pediatrics services and educational programs. A superb clinician and scholar, Dr. Sullivan will be missed most for her contributions to pediatric and interdisciplinary education.

Dr. Sullivan has been an integral part of the divisions of Child Development and Adolescent Medicine, including providing exemplary service to the Behavioral Pediatrics Fellowship, Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disorders, and Leadership Education in Adolescent Medicine. Dr. Sullivan has directed the Behavioral Pediatrics resident rotation since 2011, leading many innovations in the curriculum for a range of medical learners. As a member of the clinical competence committee, Dr. Sullivan has mentored many rising faculty in medical education. Dr. Sullivan has been instrumental in bringing attention to mindfulness as a form of physician wellness and professional development, both for learners and for our faculty.

Her impact is wide and will be long-lasting, as so many Hoosier pediatricians and many of our current Riley Hospital faculty benefitted from her model of kindness, experience, and supportive teaching.

D. Wade Clapp, M.D.  
Chair and Distinguished Professor, Department of Pediatrics  
Richard L. Schreiner Professor of Pediatrics  
School of Medicine

Angela M. Tomlin, Ph.D., H.S.P.P.  
Professor of Clinical Pediatrics  
School of Medicine
Tim E. Taber, M.D.
Professor Emeritus of Clinical Medicine
School of Medicine

Dr. Taber led the Transplant Nephrology group from 2008 through 2020. He was an excellent leader and demonstrated first-hand how to excel in all three missions—clinical care, cutting edge research, and education. He was a mentor to many, professionally and personally. His collaboration, collegiality, and personality is such that it pushes everyone around him to do their best and do what is best for our trainees, our program, and our patients.

He helped consolidate the IU and Methodist transplant programs, and built a respectful and productive Nephrology-Surgery relationship. He built lasting relationships with referring doctors using the old-fashioned, but highly effective, approach of picking up the phone and making that call. He was also patient-centric, opening up satellite pre- and post-clinics throughout the state of Indiana to decrease travel barriers for patients. He has presented at national meetings, published extensively, and has been a reviewer and editor for leading journals. In addition, he has held leadership roles with the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS), Indiana Donor Network, and the National Kidney Foundation of Indiana, where he advocated tirelessly for kidney donation.

On behalf of the Division of Nephrology at the School of Medicine and the transplant program at IU Health, thank you for all you have done.

Sharon Moe, M.D.
Stuart A. Kleit Distinguished Professor of Medicine
Director, Division of Nephrology
Associate Dean for Clinical and Translational Research
School of Medicine
Andrea G. Tamburro, Ed.D., M.S.W.
Associate Professor of Social Work
B.S.W. Program Coordinator, IU South Bend
School of Social Work

Dr. Andrea Tamburro has served IU, the School of Social Work (IUSSW), and the social work profession with great energy. She began at IU in 2000 at the Center for Research into the Anthropological Foundations of Technology (CRAFT) Stone Age Research Institute at IU Bloomington. She then served the School of Social Work as Bachelor’s in Social Work (B.S.W.) program director at IU Northwest from 2010 to 2017, and then at IU South Bend as associate professor, B.S.W. program director, and IUSSW interim senior B.S.W. director.

Dr. Tamburro taught across B.S.W. and Master’s in Social Work (M.S.W.) programs, with writing and methods of social research classes among her favorite. She advised many students toward their baccalaureate degrees. She unwaveringly mentored faculty as “our” IU South Bend “go-to” person for technological issues in teaching and learning, even preparing us to pivot to virtual learning during the pandemic. She notably provided American Psychological Association coaching workshops for students and faculty. Her community service on the Department of Child Protective Services Scholars Advisory Committee afforded critical support to Title IV-E Scholars.

We commend Dr. Tamburro’s service to the social work profession. She represents B.S.W. programs to the Council on Social Work Education, serving as an advisory board member and accreditation site visitor. She is an active member of the Indigenous and Tribal Social Work Educator’s Association and supported the School of Social Work in adopting a land acknowledgement statement.

We thank you and wish you the best in your retirement!

Otrude Moyo, Ph.D.
Professor and Program Director, IU South Bend
School of Social Work
Robert Vernon, Ph.D., M.S.W.
Professor of Social Work
School of Social Work

Dr. Robert Vernon joined the School of Social Work as tenured faculty in 2001, one of only two School of Social Work faculty ever tenured on the basis of excellence in leadership and service. Indeed, he boasts an exceptional record of both over four decades in social work.

With his career focused on macro social work, Dr. Vernon teaches in areas of policy analysis and policy practice. He is also known for his interests in 17th century origins of social work. Using performance techniques, Dr. Vernon dresses in costume as Justice of the Peace circa 1601 to provide a notable period performance lecture, “Overseer of the Poore,” teaching students about social work’s early years.

Dr. Vernon’s complementary research interests in technology and social work are tied to his service, where he leaves legacy contributions in the academy. He led founding national efforts for social work in the use of email, technology, and distance education. While serving as the school’s Master’s in Social Work (M.S.W.) program director in 2011, he helped establish our now thriving online program. The Council on Social Work Education recognized Dr. Vernon for his contributions, awarding him the 2019 Leadership and Service Award, one of the highest awards in social work education.

Dr. Vernon, thank you! We wish you the best in your retirement!

Tamara Davis, Ph.D.
Dean and Professor of Social Work
School of Social Work
Dennis L. Wagner, M.D.
Professor Emeritus of Clinical Anesthesia
School of Medicine

On behalf of the Department of Anesthesia, I want to thank you for all of your contributions to the department’s and our specialty’s contributions in clinical care, research, and teaching. In particular, your clinical and academic work in pain medicine leave an admirable legacy of countless patients who have benefited directly from your care and the trainees who advanced their skills and knowledge based on your commitment to their education.

I also would like to recognize and thank you for your outstanding contribution to the School of Medicine’s relationship with Moi University in Eldoret, Kenya. Your efforts to facilitate modernizing anesthesia and critical care at Moi with supplies and equipment, teaching, and building a long-lasting clinical partnership are remarkable. The anesthesia residency and clinical officer teaching program that have been created at Moi will train the next generation of anesthesia providers in Kenya, making future access to necessary surgical care a realistic possibility.

Unquestionably, your lifetime efforts in our specialty have saved lives and relieved suffering locally, nationally, and around the world, which is a remarkable contribution indeed. Thank you so much!

David Adams, M.D.
Chair and Robert K. Stoelting Professor of Anesthesia, Department of Anesthesia
School of Medicine
Stephen F. Wintermeyer, M.D.
Associate Professor Emeritus of Clinical Medicine
School of Medicine

A compilation of thanks from your colleagues at IUPUI.

Dr. Wintermeyer’s service to our academic community and patients was exemplary. He is a role model of professionalism, dedication, and academic rigor. Several generations of learners and trainees were positively influenced by him. Our division is extremely thankful for his outstanding contributions.

Dr. Wintermeyer was dedicated to the medical care and well-being of students at IUPUI. He ensured that the services offered by the Student Health Center expanded and adapted to the changing needs of the campus community. I am glad to have had the opportunity to work with him for nearly 20 years!

Dr. Steve Wintermeyer was a valued partner in pursuit of health of our statewide School of Medicine student body, as well as covering the needs of the entire IUPUI campus population at the IUPUI Student Health Center. Steve was a tireless advocate for preventive medicine to keep our students safe and was always available to address urgent issues that arose from workplace injuries and health threats. He helped the School of Medicine coordinate with student health clinics at all eight regional campuses to supply necessary vaccinations, tuberculosis screenings, and fit testing access. Steve took a special interest in optimizing care needs for international students arriving on the IUPUI campus for academic programs.

Roberto Machado, M.D.
Chief, Division of Pulmonary, Critical Care, Sleep, and Occupational Medicine
School of Medicine

Julia Lash, Ph.D.
Director, Counseling and Psychological Services
Division of Student Affairs

Bradley Allen, M.D.
Senior Associate Dean for Medical Student Education
School of Medicine
Chi-Wah Yung, M.D.
Professor Emeritus of Ophthalmology
School of Medicine

Over his career, Dr. Yung has given so much of himself for the good of his patients, students, and our profession. Since 1991, he has served as ophthalmology clerkship director, and he has been our department’s director of medical student education for over 10 years. He has a tireless dedication for our medical students, and he has served as faculty sponsor for the School of Medicine’s Ophthalmology Student Interest Group (OSIG) since 2003. He championed the initiative to bring the EyeSi direct ophthalmoscope simulator to the School of Medicine, which has greatly enhanced our medical students’ ophthalmoscopy skills.

Twice he has been voted Outstanding Professor of Clinical Science by the medical students, classes of 2004 and 2013, and twice he has been named Professor of the Year by the ophthalmology residents.

In addition to his leadership in education, Dr. Yung is recognized at the regional and national level for his clinical expertise, participating as an instructor in surgical courses for fellow ophthalmologists. The Indiana Academy of Ophthalmology recently named him Ophthalmologist of the Year for his outstanding leadership as well as his impact on the careers of 30 years of ophthalmology residents and students.

David Wallace, M.D.
Chair and Marilyn K. Glick Professor of Ophthalmology, Department of Ophthalmology
School of Medicine