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**Faculty & Staff
Recognition
Luncheon**

Wednesday, April 10, 2024
12:00pm - 1:30pm
Tansey Gymnasium

Wentworth

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5 YEARS OF SERVICE

as of May 1, 2024

Rick Banks	Facilities
Thomas Batcho	Student Accessibility Services and Academic Support
Juan Beato-Melendez	Facilities
Ashley Bryan	Library
Ignacio Cardona Chorro	School of Architecture and Design
Glenn Castillo	Digital Technology Services
Erica Castro	Athletics
Maggie Court	Registrar's Office
Sylvia DeLuca	School of Architecture and Design
Jon Doorneweerd	Digital Technology Services
Afsaneh Ghanavati	School of Engineering
Craig Kaplan	Finance
Frank Kreimendahl	School of Computing and Data Science
Mary McCormack	Success Studio
Salem Othman	School of Computing and Data Science
Marisha Rawlins	School of Engineering

5 YEARS OF SERVICE (CONT.)

as of May 1, 2024

Eileen Ryan	Registrar's Office
Jose Soto	Facilities
Kenneth Tompkins	School of Engineering
Linda Werman	Institutional Advancement and External Relations
Nasser Yari	School of Engineering

10 YEARS OF SERVICE

as of May 1, 2024

Greg Abazorius	Institutional Advancement and External Relations
Vagner Afonso	Digital Technology Services
Connor Erickson	Athletics
Lizzie Falvey	School of Sciences and Humanities
Paul Firenze	School of Sciences and Humanities
Arlen Galloway	Athletics
Shannon Glaser	Digital Technology Services
Jer Jurma	Co-ops & Careers
Cathy Kidd	Digital Technology Services
Carlo Fierimonte	Enrollment

10 YEARS OF SERVICE (CONT.)

as of May 1, 2024

Yugu Yang-Keathley	School of Engineering
Rachel Maitra	School of Computing and Data Science
Joseph St. Martin	Police
Mark Mixer	School of Computing and Data Science
Robert Moran	Police
Kristen Rosero	School of Sciences and Humanities
Anne-Catrin Schultz	School of Architecture and Design
Johanna Sena	President's Office

15 YEARS OF SERVICE

as of May 1, 2024

Ronald Bernier	School of Sciences and Humanities
Carol Burns	School of Architecture and Design
Anita Chiu	Institutional Advancement and External Relations
Gautham Das	School of Engineering
Gloria Ma	School of Engineering

15 YEARS OF SERVICE (CONT.)

as of May 1, 2024

Lauren Margharita

Bursar's Office

Jennifer Lee Michaliszyn

School of Architecture
and Design

Dan Russo

Athletics

Robert Sulprizio

Police

20 YEARS OF SERVICE

as of May 1, 2024

Lora Kim

School of Architecture and Design

Lora Kim is an Associate Professor in the School of Architecture and Design. She has advanced foundations and thesis programs, coordinating multi-sectioned foundation courses and teaching graduate research and thesis courses. Her scholarship focuses on beginning design pedagogy, representation, media, and the intersections between art and architecture. She helped develop SummerFAB, a summer program for high school students, as well as IPAL, or Integrative Path to Licensure Program at Wentworth. Additionally, she helped organize the annual M.Arch Thesis Fall Conference at Wentworth; served as co-editor of the Making Masters publications for the thesis program; and helped make improvements to Architecture's student awards process and ceremony. Lora has an M.Arch from MIT and a B.A. in Architecture with a minor in Art History from the University of California at Berkeley.

Jeffrey Michael *School of Architecture and Design*

Associate Professor Jeffrey Michael joined Wentworth in 2004 after a successful career designing consumer products for companies such as Burton Snowboards, Pyrex Bakeware, OXO Good Grips, Polaroid, and Shure Microphones. He received a B.S. in Industrial Design from the University of Cincinnati and an M.F.A. from Cranbrook Academy of Art in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. At Wentworth, Jeffrey has taught extensively in first and second-year studio courses, laying a pedagogical foundation for students in design thinking, creative processing, and dynamic visualization. He has also been an instrumental member of three successful NASAD accreditation visits, including the first ever accreditation for the Industrial Design Program in 2005. Jeffrey likes to travel and has led students through Italy, Sweden, Spain, Denmark and Berlin. Outside the classroom, he likes to spend a great deal of time in the ceramics studio, where day-to-day lessons in design/making translate directly into the classroom experience.

Jane Allen Sovie *Office of the Provost*

Jane Allen Sovie began her career at Wentworth in 2003 in the Department of Civil, Construction, and Environment before moving to the Office of the Provost in 2006. Over the years, Jane has been a consistent presence in the Provost's Office, supporting several Provosts. She keeps the day-to-day operations in the Office of the Provost running smoothly and helped to provide stability during the restructuring of the former three colleges into the formation of the five schools effective today. She provides administrative support for many committees, keeping them organized and running smoothly. To all aspects of her job, Jane brings professionalism and deep respect, appreciation, and commitment to the Wentworth community. She has a can-do attitude and is always willing to roll up her sleeves and get the job done.

25 YEARS OF SERVICE

as of May 1, 2024

Magdy Ellabidy

*School of Computing and
Data Science*

Professor Magdy Ellabidy is a beloved teacher who established the Networking major and designed numerous courses within it. He is a passionate advocate for hands-on learning, incorporating activities where students physically assemble network components and test their functionality. Magdy's dedication extends beyond the classroom; he has served on various committees for nearly two decades, including the Faculty Senate, where he served as a senator and vice chair. He significantly contributed to the Haiti 'train the trainer' program, a three-year initiative that equipped individuals with construction and project management skills.

Robert Meszaros *School of Architecture and Design*

Professor Meszaros has taught in the Interior Design and Industrial Design programs for over 25 years. Rob teaches many of the classes for first year students and communication / presentation classes for upper-level students. He also enjoys working with students on their photography outside of class and assisting them with their portfolios. He developed a drawing intensive summer program for incoming design students which he has taught for 17 years, helping students make connections and learn basic skills to prepare for their first-year classes. Rob has participated in successful accreditations for Interior Design, Facility Management, and Industrial Design. He also has served on a wide range of committees including the Faculty Senate, Sabbatical Grant Committee, Institute Curriculum Committee, and has served as a faculty mentor multiple times. His creative work ranges from paintings, intaglio prints, drawings and photography. He has won multiple awards for his work and has shown nationally.

Mansour Zenouzi

School of Engineering

Dr. Zenouzi is a professor in the School of Engineering. He received his BSME (1976) from Iran University of Science and Technology, MSME (1981) from Tufts University, and Ph.D. from Northeastern University (1990). Mansour is a Fellow of ASME, a life member of ASHRAE, and a licensed mechanical engineer (P.E.). He taught at Northeastern University and Youngstown State University before coming to Wentworth in 1998. He has served the professional community as associate editor of the ASME Journal of Energy Resources Technology; chair of the ASME Advanced Energy Systems Division (AESD) and its two different technical committees; a member of the ASHRAE Student Activities Committee; an ABET program evaluator (PEV); and commissioner of ETAC of ABET. Currently, he serves as an EAC of ABET Commissioner and Team Chair. He has published and presented over 75 peer-reviewed papers in journals and technical conferences.

30 YEARS OF SERVICE

as of May 1, 2024

Ron Blake

Facilities

Ron takes pride in the workforce he has developed over thirty years at Wentworth, crediting his work as a tradesperson, his experience and multiple degrees with helping him recognize one of the Institute's greatest assets: its people. Ron started at Wentworth in 1994 as an HVAC Mechanic. In 1998, he was promoted to Mechanical Coordinator, and then in 2017 to Central Plant Manager, his current role. He earned his B.S. in Industrial Technology in 1991, his M.Ed. in 1999 and an M.S. in Facilities Management in 2008. He also holds multiple trade licenses. Ron and his staff have provided many tours of Wentworth mechanical services for professors, students, and outside parties. He has participated in building designs for plumbing and heating systems for renovations and new buildings. He is particularly pleased to have been adopted by his nine-year-old daughter, and has spent countless hours watching her play hockey in rinks across New England.

Brian Bosse

Facilities

For thirty years, Brian has applied his curiosity, resolve, and strong work ethic to ensure everyone has a good experience on our campus. After completing his Bachelor's degree in Urban Forestry at UMass Amherst, he came to Wentworth as a landscaper in 1993 and introduced new trees and flowering shrubs to our campus. In 1998, fueled by his curiosity and desire to learn new things, Brian decided to apprentice with our HVAC mechanic. He ultimately received his Refrigeration Technician license and was promoted to Licensed HVAC Mechanic in 2017. Since 2019, he has served as a Licensed HVAC/BAS Technician, applying his deep experience to improve the inside environment of our buildings. Brian also serves as the Assistant Shop Steward for the SEIU Collective Bargaining Unit and is the Facilities representative on the Staff Council. He and his wife Karyn are proud parents of a Wentworth alum (BioMed) and continual cruisers who have traveled around the world.

Kurt Oliver

Library

Kurt Oliver has served in various roles over thirty years at the Schumann Library, from Technical Services Assistant to interim Director, and now Cataloger. His unwavering dedication has made him a pillar of support for the Wentworth community. With peerless expertise in the Dewey Decimal System, he meticulously manages the library's collection, ensuring its accessibility and integrity. Kurt's swift and efficient work enables widespread access to research materials vital to the university, and each of our nearly 500,000 physical and digital volumes have been cataloged by him directly. He can easily be considered the "Face of Wentworth" on Saturdays, and his positivity and commitment to customer service make him a beloved figure, with lasting impacts on those he interacts with. Kurt's passion extends to mentoring new librarians, emphasizing personal and professional growth, and fostering a supportive environment. His enduring presence and expertise make him an invaluable asset to Wentworth.

Bob Totino

Finance

Robert L. Totino was appointed Vice President of Finance and Assistant Treasurer in 2010. He initially joined Wentworth in 1993 as a senior accountant and has served at the Institute in various financial positions. Before joining Wentworth, Bob was employed in private industry at Downey & Company LLP, a certified public accounting practice in Braintree, Massachusetts. He received his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration majoring in Accounting and Management from Northeastern University in 1990, and his MBA degree with a concentration in Non-Profit Management from Suffolk University in 2015. Recently, Bob earned his doctorate in Education from Northeastern University. He is a licensed CPA in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In his free time, Bob enjoys traveling with his family.

35 YEARS OF SERVICE

as of May 1, 2024

Steve Campbell

Police

Steve began his career at Wentworth in 1988 and has provided exceptional police services to the Wentworth community for 35 years. Steve is friendly and kind to all community members and always has a positive attitude. Steve is licensed as an Emergency Medical Technician and has provided medical assistance to our community when needed. Steve also has taken on the task of the Wentworth Police Department's Union President.

John Ellis

School of Architecture and Design

After serving as Deputy Director of Urban Design for the NYC Department of Transportation, Professor John Ellis started his academic career at Wentworth in the Fall of 1988. Two years later, he founded Wentworth's Architecture Semester Abroad Program, traveling to Venice, Berlin, and Helsinki. In 2003, John was part of the team that navigated the program through its first Master's degree accreditations from the Mass Board of Higher Education and NAAB, while acting as its first Chair of Graduate Studies. In 2016, he was a Fulbright Scholar in Bénin West Africa, and has since conducted six Global Research Studios traveling with students to both Bénin and Kenya. John's architectural studies began with a two-year degree in Building Construction Technology from Wentworth. He subsequently received a Bachelor's in Architecture from Pratt Institute, a Master of Urban Design from Columbia University, and a Master of Design Studies from Harvard University. He has held 'special student status' at both MIT and IUAV Venezia.

Keeran Hariprasad

*School of Architecture
and Design*

Keeran joined Wentworth in 1988 shortly after her arrival in Boston. During her tenure, Keeran has advanced several times, working with several department chairs and deans, and is currently the Operations Manager in the School of Architecture and Design. She also took the opportunity to earn her first degree, a B.S. in Facilities Management, at Wentworth and a second degree, a Master of Management at Emmanuel College. During nearly four decades at Wentworth, she has been privileged to work with some of the best students, faculty and colleagues in higher education and has experienced many positive changes. She loves cooking and spending time with her family.

Hoosein Noorian

School of Management

Hossein has been focused on Management program student success for 35 years, teaching undergraduate business management and graduate finance courses and mentoring students. He founded the Student Investment Society (SIS) Club, which was granted both the Student Organization and Faculty Advisor of the Year Award in 1992. He also served as faculty advisor and President to the Wentworth Chapter of the Sigma Beta Delta (SBD) National Honor Society. In 2006, he received the President's Award for Distinguished Teaching. The Wentworth Alumni Association gave him a Distinguished Service Award in 2007 and the "Gold Leopard" in 2013. In 2014, Hoosein was the recipient of the "Excellence in Teaching" Award from the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE). His service spans many institute committees and task forces. He is an active member of multiple professional organizations, a reviewer of business books, and a presenter on regional, national and international stages.

FACULTY EMERITUS

Ann Borst

School of Architecture

Ann Borst has made significant contributions to the Architecture program and to the Institute during her 26 years at Wentworth. She began her full-time faculty appointment in fall 1998. Subsequently she served as Program Coordinator (equivalent to Assistant Department Chair) from 2003 to 2010 and Department Co-Chair with Professor John Ellis from 2011 to 2013. She also provided service at the institute level, most recently guiding the Promotion and Sabbatical Committees.

During Ann's time in leadership roles, SOAD hired nine new architecture faculty members, renovated its architecture curriculum, and launched the institution's first semester-long study-abroad programs in Germany and France. In addition, Ann was instrumental in launching the accredited Master of Architecture degree program and the success of the 2006 and 2012 NAAB Accreditation visits.

Ann's teaching and research have centered on community development, affordable housing, and urban revitalization. As a longtime advisor to the Fenway Community Development Corporation, she has connected generations of students to local residents, business owners, and city officials. Ann's research on regenerative waterfront development in European post-industrial cities has introduced Wentworth students to an international context for their own work in revitalizing Boston and other local contexts.

Ann has been a respected faculty mentor and coach for students, and an inspirational role model for all.

FACULTY EMERITUS (CONT.)

Christopher Gleason

*School of Sciences
and Humanities*

Christopher Gleason is a dedicated teacher, a productive scholar, and a generous and thoughtful colleague who has been an invaluable member of our institution for 25 years. By sharing deep subject-matter knowledge, building trust with his students, and creatively integrating new technology into the classroom, Chris has inspired countless students to think differently about their work and life. He played a key role in bringing the scholarship and pedagogy of the digital humanities to the (previously-named) Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, a project which ultimately resulted in the Media, Culture, and Communications Studies (MCCS) minor. His research contributions, including an impressive array of music he has written, performed, and produced, have garnered regional recognition and have enriched the cultural landscape of Boston.

In addition to his academic pursuits, Chris has been an active participant in the university community, serving on numerous committees and boards, including Senate leadership. His dedication to service and his willingness to go above and beyond his responsibilities have had a profound impact on our institution. He has fostered a culture of collaboration and inclusivity within our department, sharing his time, expertise and insight, and mentoring students and junior faculty members. Chris is widely respected for his collegiality, integrity, and kindness.

FACULTY EMERITUS (CONT.)

Mike Jackson

School of Engineering

Mike Jackson has been a valued faculty member for nearly 27 years. He joined Wentworth in 1991 as an adjunct professor in the mechanical engineering technology program and an instructor at Wentworth's former aviation school, East Coast Aero Tech. He became East Coast's Assistant Director of Education prior to Wentworth's divestiture of that school.

In 2000, he became Wentworth's Assistant Department Head for the Department of Electronics and Mechanical. Over the years, Mike took on multiple leadership roles, including department head for electronics and mechanical, and interim associate provost. In 2009, he was named Chair of the Mechanical Engineering Technology program, and subsequently became one of the Associate Deans for the School of Engineering. Mike led the transition of the Mechanical Engineering Technology degree to a fully accredited Mechanical Engineering degree. He was extensively involved in the design of the current Manufacturing Center, the Gelfand, and the CEIS labs, and in securing over \$500,000 in grants for updating those labs and providing scholarships for female engineering students.

Over the years, Mike served on numerous institutional committees, including academic policies and procedures, budget, faculty development, faculty promotion committees, and various search committees. He served as an administrative representative for the faculty federation contract and on the calendar and scheduling subcommittee of the faculty senate academic planning committee.

FACULTY EMERITUS (CONT.)

Thomas Taddeo

School of Management

Tom has over four decades of outstanding teaching, administrative and leadership experience at Wentworth. He has been an integral member within the Construction Management Program and has dedicated himself to the education, development and support of Wentworth students. Tom is a remarkable example of loyalty and dedication to the academic and construction community.

Tom has been a mentor to many of the faculty within the Construction Management Program and by serving in this capacity, he has helped to foster a culture of excellence. He is a thoughtful and collaborative team member and always seeks ways to help improve curriculum, while also balancing hands-on learning opportunities. His passion for course development and teaching is unmatched. Tom has been awarded the Excellence in Teaching/Grant Johnson Award and consistently received high accolades for his approach to teaching by his many students.

Beyond his role as a professor, Tom's involvement with the Sigma Lambda Chi International Construction Management Honor Society showcases his commitment to recognizing and nurturing talent within our student body. His leadership as the advisor of the society has been instrumental in shaping the future leaders of the Construction Management industry. Tom has also served as Vice President of Sigma Lambda Chi International over the past year, truly highlighting his dedication to the organization and industry.