

SUMMARY
New Appointments to Endowed Chairs, Professorships, or Fellowships (10)

November 18, 2019

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Lindsay Lally	Pulte Homes Professorship
Andrew McCoy	Yvan J. Beliveau Professorship

College of Engineering (1)

Corina Sandu	Robert E. Hord, Jr. Professorship in Mechanical Engineering
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College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences (1)

Brandy Faulkner	Gloria D. Smith Professorship in Black Studies
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David Brinberg	Kathleen Grega Digges Professorship in Entrepreneurial Studies
Dipankar Chakravarti	Robert H. Digges Professorship in Entrepreneurial Studies
John Maher	Thomas M. Wells and Kathy Dargo Professorship
Steven Markham	Digges Family Professorship in Entrepreneurship
Linda Wallace	Konrad W. Kubin Senior Faculty Fellowship in Accounting and Information Systems

**ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP
Pulte Homes Professorship**

The Pulte Homes Professorship was established with a generous gift from Pulte Homes. Dean Richard Blythe of the College of Architecture and Urban Studies has nominated Aleksandra Graff as the Pulte Homes Professor of Practice, based on the recommendations of the Department of Building Construction in the Myers-Lawson School of Construction, and the promotion and tenure committee in the College of Architecture and Urban Studies.

Aleksandra Markovic Graff, P.E. received a B.S. in Civil Engineering, with a concentration in construction engineering and management, from University of Wisconsin-Madison and a M.S. in Civil Engineering, with a concentration in structural engineering, from Ohio University. She has over five years of experience in the construction industry working as a staff engineer and project manager for a top-20 ranked engineering firm Intertek-PSI. While working at Intertek-PSI, Ms. Graff oversaw the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials accredited laboratory, and managed construction inspection and materials testing for large-scale projects in central Ohio. Her areas of expertise include building construction, geotechnical and materials engineering, and project management.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Aleksandra Graff be appointed a Pulte Homes Professor of Practice for a period of two years, effective September 10, 2019, with salary assistance as provided by the endowment and, if available, with funds from the eminent scholars match program.

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**ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP
Pulte Homes Professorship**

The Pulte Homes Professorship was established with a generous gift from Pulte Homes. Dean Richard Blythe of the College of Architecture and Urban Studies has nominated Lindsay Lally as a Pulte Homes Professor of Practice, based on the recommendations of the Department of Building Construction in the Myers-Lawson School of Construction, and the promotion and tenure committee in the College of Architecture and Urban Studies.

Lindsay Lally, P.E., has over 12 years of experience in the design and construction industry and holds a professional engineering license in the Commonwealth of Virginia. She received a B.S. and M.S. in Civil Engineering from Virginia Tech. Professionally, Lindsay has designed and managed a variety of land development projects, specializing in multi-disciplinary higher education; examples include the Virginia Tech/Blacksburg Transit Multi-Modal Transit Facility, the Radford University College of Humanities & Behavioral Sciences Building, and the Virginia Tech O'Shaughnessy Hall Renovations project. Lindsay enjoys solving problems and negotiating solutions in a team setting and promotes a pragmatic approach to project management with her students.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Lindsay Lally be appointed a Pulte Homes Professor of Practice for a period of two years, effective September 10, 2019, with salary assistance as provided by the endowment and, if available, with funds from the eminent scholars match program.

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ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP
Yvan J. Beliveau Professorship

The Yvan J. Beliveau Professorship was established with a generous donation from George B. Clarke IV to support a professor in the Myers-Lawson School of Construction (MLSoC) who demonstrates excellence in the field. Dean Richard J. Blythe nominates Andrew P. McCoy to the Yvan J. Beliveau Professorship, based on the recommendations of the MLSoC Director and the Honorifics Committee in the Myers-Lawson School of Construction and the Promotion and Tenure Committee in the College of Architecture and Urban Studies.

Dr. McCoy is currently the head of Building Construction and associate director in the Myers-Lawson School of Construction. He is also director of the Virginia Center for Housing Research (VCHR) at Virginia Tech.

Dr. McCoy has authored over 100 articles. His main area of research focuses on how innovation progresses through the residential construction industry and how it can make homes more affordable and sustainable. He has secured over \$6M as principal investigator on federal and state research grants focused on housing affordability, green building technologies, and construction safety, among other issues. Notable funded endeavors include:

- 1) The Commonwealth of Virginia's Executive Order 32 study "Addressing the Impact of Housing Affordability for Virginia's Economy";
- 2) HUD's "Impact of Market Behavior on the Adoption and Diffusion of Innovative Green Building Technologies," A Sustainable Communities Research grant;
- 3) NIOSH's "The Case for a Whole Industry Approach to Safety," a grant on safety across cultures and sectors of the construction industry and
- 4) Housing Virginia's "The Impact of Energy Efficient Construction for LIHTC Housing in Virginia."

Dr. McCoy's research won the 2015 Game Changer Award for the State of Virginia and Engineering News Record's 2014 "Top 20 under 40" for the Mid-Atlantic. Dr. McCoy's work also won American Society of Civil Engineers' Journal of Architectural Engineering "Top Paper Award 2015" and the American Real Estate Society conference's best paper prize for the topic of sustainable real estate.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Professor Andrew P. McCoy be appointed to the Yvan J. Beliveau Professorship, effective November 18, 2019, with a salary supplement as provided by the endowment and, if available, with funds from the eminent scholars match program.

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ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP
Robert E. Hord, Jr. Mechanical Engineering Professorship

The Robert E. Hord, Jr. Professorship in Mechanical Engineering was established with a generous gift from the estate of Robert E. Hord, Jr.'s (ME '41). This professorship supports an outstanding professor within the Department of Mechanical Engineering for a renewable term of five years. Dean Julia Ross has nominated Dr. Corina Sandu for this professorship based on the recommendations of the head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, and the Department of Mechanical Engineering's honorifics committee.

Professor Sandu has made significant and extraordinary contributions to research and scholarship in foundational theories and practical applications of multibody system dynamics and vehicle dynamics. Her work positions her as a leader of this field internationally, brings great prestige to Virginia Tech, and makes her an ideal recipient of this award. Since joining the Department of Mechanical Engineering in 2003, she has contributed significantly to the research, scholarly, and educational mission of the department through more than 77 refereed journal papers, seven book chapters, 96 refereed full paper conference proceedings, 18 full paper conference proceeding accepted, 89 posters, 114 oral and abstract presentations, 45 technical reports, two book reviews for technical journals, 46 invited talks and keynote presentations without associated papers, five prefaces, introductions, and catalogue statements, two interviews in magazines, and three patents and disclosures; she has been involved in \$12M of funded research projects, and has directed 16 doctoral dissertations and 19 masters theses. She has also been a committee member on 30 Ph.D. committees (three by proxy), 37 completed M.S. committee memberships, four mechanical engineering committees, and as an external examiner for 11 Ph.D., and one M.S. student.

Professor Sandu has greatly advanced the science of uncertainty quantification for multibody systems, real-time parameter estimation, and off-road vehicle performance. She has made significant scientific contributions and built infrastructure for terra-mechanics studies that is unique and she has developed specialized and unique courses in terra-mechanics and off-road vehicle performance and ground vehicle dynamics where she has extensively integrated research into course material.

Professor Sandu's original contributions are widely recognized. She is a fellow of American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) and a fellow of Society of Automobile Engineers (SAE). In 2019, she received the SAE Forest R. McFarland Award for the second time. She has also been recognized for her service to SAE's international publication's board, and for her outstanding service in the SAE engineering meetings board; she has earned the International Society for Terrain-Vehicle Systems (ISTVS) best paper award in 2017, the ISTVS collaborative small research award in 2015, and the SAE Rodica Baranescu Award for Technical and Leadership Excellence in Commercial Vehicles Engineering in 2013, among many others.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Professor Corina Sandu be appointed as the Robert E. Hord, Jr. Professor of Mechanical Engineering for a period of five years effective November 25, 2019, with a salary supplement and operating expenses as provided by the endowment and, if available, with funds from the eminent scholars match program.

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ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP
Gloria D. Smith Professorship in Black Studies

The Gloria D. Smith Memorial Professorship in Black Studies was established in 1997 as a memorial to Gloria D. Smith, an employee in university counseling services who advocated for minority students. Created in partnership between the university and the Athletic Association, the professorship is awarded to an outstanding faculty member who contributes significantly to the development of minority students, student athletes, and scholarly pursuits. The honoree must teach in the Africana Studies Program in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences and can be nominated from any college. The honoree oversees a speaker series and makes at least one university-wide presentation during their appointment. The Gloria D. Smith nomination committee and Dean Laura Belmonte nominate Dr. Brandy Faulkner for appointment as the Gloria D. Smith Professor of Africana Studies.

In keeping with the Africana Studies Program's utilization of the Smith Professorship to enhance not only the program's standing, but also the visibility of a program faculty member or affiliate, the opportunity to recognize Dr. Faulkner's commitment to the program's goals and to expose our Africana Studies students to her excellence as a teacher, advocate, and scholar is compelling.

Since her appointment as a visiting assistant professor in the Department of Political Science in 2012, Dr. Faulkner has distinguished herself as a mentor, colleague, and university citizen, connecting her expertise in public policy, administrative law and American politics to her commitment to encouraging students to understand the necessity of just communities and institutions. She is an award-winning teacher, inspiring students to exceed their own expectations for learning, intellectual development, and personal growth. The opportunity to serve as the Smith Professor will only enhance her capacities as a program leader, scholar, and teacher.

Dr. Faulkner has presented a vision for using the platform of the Smith Professorship to not only continue to bring noteworthy speakers to campus, but also to initiate a community leadership academy and to expand the scope of campus teach-ins. These efforts reflect the longstanding traditions of the field of Africana Studies as well as marking noteworthy responses to needs on campus and in the local community. Colleagues believe that she is eminently deserving of the recognition embodied in the Smith Professorship, and that she will use the associated resources to further her own career as well as to further the interests and welfare of the Africana Studies Program, the Departments of Sociology and Political Science, the college, and the university as a whole.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Dr. Brandy Faulkner be appointed to the Gloria D. Smith Professorship in Black Studies for two years with an annual stipend as provided by the endowment and, if available, with funds from the eminent scholars match program.

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ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP

Kathleen Grega Digges Professorship in Entrepreneurial Studies

The Kathleen Grega Digges Professorship in Entrepreneurial Studies was established in 2015 with a generous gift from Robert H. Digges Jr. '59. He established the endowment, in memory of his wife, to enable the Pamplin College of Business to attract and retain top scholars in the field of entrepreneurial studies. Dean Robert Sumichrast has nominated Dr. David Brinberg for this professorship based on the endorsement of the college honorifics and awards committee.

Dr. Brinberg completed his Ph.D. in Social Psychology at the University of Illinois in 1979. He joined the Virginia Tech faculty in the Department of Marketing in August 1993 and served as head of that department from 1993 to 1997. He has held a number of leadership positions with the university and his academic discipline. He is a three time recipient of Pamplin's Excellence in International Programs Award and in 2018 received the Virginia Tech Alumni Award for Excellence in International Education.

Dr. Brinberg is a distinguished scholar in Marketing with over 70 published papers, books, and book chapters. His 1990 paper in *Health Education Research* was recognized as the best research article published in the journal that year. His research, which spans the areas of social marketing, individual and group decision making and research methodology has a world-wide reputation for its quality and contributions. In 2019 Dr. Brinberg received the Pamplin College of Business Career Award for Excellence in Research. An award-winning teacher, Dr. Brinberg has served on the program or dissertation committees of 35 doctoral students. In short, Dr. Brinberg is a distinguished scholar fully deserving of this professorship.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Dr. David Brinberg be appointed to the Kathleen Grega Digges Professorship in Entrepreneurial Studies, effective November 25, 2019, with a salary supplement as provided by the endowment and, if available, with funds from the eminent scholars match program.

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ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP
Robert H. Digges Professorship in Entrepreneurial Studies

The Robert H. Digges Professorship in Entrepreneurial Studies was established in 2009 with a generous gift from the estate of Robert H. Digges, Jr. '59 to provide support for the Pamplin College of Business to attract and retain the top scholars in the field of entrepreneurial studies. Dean Robert Sumichrast has nominated Dr. Dipankar Chakravarti for this professorship based on the endorsement of the departmental personnel committee and the college honorifics and awards committee.

Dr. Chakravarti joined the Virginia Tech faculty in August 2015. He completed his Ph.D. in Industrial Administration with a specialization in Marketing at Carnegie Mellon University in 1979. He has served as a member of the faculty at the University of Florida, as professor of Marketing and Tracy and Martha Thomas Faculty Fellow at the University of Arizona, the Ortloff Professor of Business at the University of Colorado-Boulder, and is currently a faculty member in the Carey Business School at Johns Hopkins University. He has served there as vice dean of programs, faculty director of the Innovation for Humanity Program, and holds an affiliate faculty appointment in the Nitze School of Advanced International Studies.

Dr. Chakravarti is a distinguished scholar in marketing with over 50 published papers, books, and book chapters. His 1991 paper in the *Journal of Consumer Research*, widely recognized as one of the top three journals in marketing, received that journal's best paper award (for papers published in 1991-1993). His research, focused primarily on the cognitive processes underlying consumer choice and decision making has a world-wide reputation for its quality and contributions. As a result, Dr. Chakravarti has been invited to present his work at universities throughout the United States, Europe, India, and China. An award-winning teacher, Dr. Chakravarti has served on the program or dissertation committees of over 50 doctoral students as well as 10 master's thesis committees. He is the founding director of the Executive Doctorate in Business Research Program in Pamplin College. In short, Dr. Chakravarti is a distinguished scholar fully deserving of this professorship.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Dr. Dipankar Chakravarti be appointed to the Robert H. Digges Professorship in Entrepreneurial Studies, effective November 25, 2019, with a salary supplement as provided by the endowment and, if available, with funds from the eminent scholars match program.

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ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP
Thomas M. Wells and Kathy Dargo Professorship in
Accounting and Information Systems

The Thomas M. Wells and Kathy Dargo Professorship in Accounting and Information Systems was established in 2017 to provide support to the Department of Accounting and Information Systems in the Pamplin College of Business. The Department of Accounting and Information Systems has recommended that the professorship be awarded to Dr. John Maher. The departmental personnel committee and the college honorifics and awards committee endorsed this nomination as did Dean Robert Sumichrast.

Dr. Maher first joined the Virginia Tech faculty in the Department of Accounting and Information Systems in August 1985. He completed his Ph.D. in Accounting and MIS from the Pennsylvania State University. He has served continuously as a member of the faculty in the Department of Accounting and Information Systems since 1989 being promoted to the rank of Professor in 2003. He has served as head of that department since 2016. He is a three time recipient of the Pamplin College's Business Teaching Excellence Award and was recognized as the Pamplin College's Outstanding Faculty in Doctoral Education in 2009 having served on more than 25 dissertation committees.

Dr. Maher is a distinguished scholar in Accounting with over 50 published papers, book chapters and proceedings in his career. He has presented his research to audiences around the world and has been an active member of his academic profession with a long and active history of service on editorial boards and as a review for many of the top journals in his field. He has a world-wide reputation for the quality of his contributions. In short, Dr. Maher is a distinguished scholar fully deserving of this professorship.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Dr. John Maher be appointed to the Thomas M. Wells and Kathy Dargo Professorship in Accounting and Information Systems, effective November 25, 2019, with a salary supplement as provided by the endowment and, if available, with funds from the eminent scholars match program.

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ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP
Digges Family Professorship in Entrepreneurship

The Digges Family Professorship in Entrepreneurship was established in 2016 to provide support to the Pamplin College of Business to attract and retain top scholars in the field of entrepreneurship. Dean Robert Sumichrast has nominated Dr. Steven E. Markham for this professorship based on the endorsement of the college honorifics and awards committee.

Dr. Markham joined the Virginia Tech faculty in the Department of Management in August 1978 after completing his Ph.D. in Organizational Behavior and Human Performance from the State University of New York at Buffalo. He has served as a member of the faculty at Virginia Tech being promoted to the rank of professor in 1993. He has served as director of the AT&T Center for the Scientific Visualization of Organizations at Virginia Tech and has held visiting positions at the University of Salford in the United Kingdom and the AT&T School of Business and Technology.

Dr. Markham is a distinguished scholar in Management with over 65 published papers and book chapters. His work spans the fields of leadership, organization visualization, absenteeism and research methodology. As a result of his research, Dr. Markham has been invited to present his work at numerous meetings of academic and professional societies. He presented the 8th Annual Bernard M. and Ruth Bass Distributed Speech and was honored by the Center for Leadership Studies at the University of Binghamton. Dr. Markham has served on dissertation committees of over 30 doctoral students as well as six master's thesis committees. In short, Dr. Markham is a distinguished scholar fully deserving of this professorship.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Dr. Steven E. Markham be appointed to the Digges Family Professor of Entrepreneurship, effective November 25, 2019, with a salary supplement as provided by the endowment and, if available, with funds from the eminent scholars match program.

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**ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP
Konrad W. Kubin Senior Faculty Fellowship
in Accounting and Information Systems**

The Konrad W. Kubin Senior Faculty Fellowship in Accounting and Information Systems was established in 2003 to provide support for faculty in the Department of Accounting and Information Systems. Dean Robert Sumichrast has nominated Dr. Linda Wallace for this faculty fellowship based on the endorsement of the college faculty honorifics and awards committee.

Dr. Wallace joined the department in 1999 as an assistant professor and was promoted to associate professor in 2006. She received her Ph.D. from Georgia State University in Computer Information Systems. She also holds an undergraduate degree in accounting. Professor Wallace has taught many different courses for the department, but has most recently been involved in teaching Accounting Systems and Controls, Accounting Application Development, and Information Systems Security and Assurance. Accounting Systems and Controls is a course taken by all of our undergraduate majors in their junior year. Accounting Application development is taken by all ACIS seniors. Systems Security and Assurance is taken by all of our master's students in the audit option. She has also served on five Ph.D. committees, two for the department, one in BIT, and two in Computer Science. Professor Wallace has been chair of the Master's Committee. In addition, Dr. Wallace has been instrumental in working to refine the curriculum particularly at the graduate level.

Professor Wallace has published 25 papers and has another three under review at this time. She has numerous refereed conference presentations at national/international conferences and has been a reviewer for many of the leading journals in Information Systems. Dr. Wallace is a highly productive scholar with a growing reputation fully deserving of this fellowship.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Dr. Linda Wallace be appointed to the Konrad W. Kubin Senior Faculty Fellowship in Accounting and Information Systems, effective November 25, 2019, with a salary supplement as provided by the endowment and, if available, with funds from the eminent scholars match program.

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