

Board of Regents Update | June 21, 2018

Dear Colleagues:

I am pleased to announce that the Board of Regents has approved my recommendation to appoint Susan E. Alcock as interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. This appointment is effective July 1, 2018.

Dr. Alcock currently serves as Special Counsel for Institutional Outreach and Engagement in the Office of the President and as professor with tenure of Classical Archaeology and Classics in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts at the University of Michigan.

Dr. Alcock completed her Bachelor of Arts summa cum laude at Yale University and received a second B.A. degree from the University of Cambridge, where she also received an M.A. and Ph.D.

Professor Alcock returned to the University of Michigan as a professor of archaeology and classics in July 2015, following her appointment as the director of the Joukowsky Institute for Archaeology and the Ancient World at Brown University, and the Joukowsky Family Professor of Archaeology (2006-2015).

At the University of Michigan, she was appointed as an assistant professor (1992-1996), a research scientist in the Kelsey Museum of Archaeology (1993-2005), a research affiliate in the Museum of Anthropology (1994-2005), an associate professor (1996-2002), a curator in the Kelsey Museum, the John H. D'Arms Collegiate Professor of Classical Archaeology (2002-2005), and an Arthur F. Thurnau Professor (2000-2003).

In her role as special counsel for Institutional Outreach and Engagement, Professor Alcock has led initiatives and projects focused on developing and leveraging faculty, research, and student and other connections between the three University of Michigan campuses, and with other higher education institutions across the State. Her depth of experience and knowledge of the university provide her with the necessary foundation to undertake this important role at UM-Flint.

We will open a national search to fill the role of Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs in the fall.

Also approved by the Board of Regents at the June 21 meeting:

- **Dr. Christopher M. Giordano was approved as our Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.** As announced to campus in a June 8 email, Giordano's appointment is effective August 1. In this role, Giordano will provide strategic and operational leadership for our student affairs division that is currently comprised of 14 departments organized in three areas: student life (housing and residential life, student involvement and leadership, intercultural center, LGBTQ center, women's educational center, and conduct and community standards); student success (educational opportunity initiatives, counseling and psychological services, student success center, disability coordinator, student veterans resource center, and foster youth program); and recreation services (campus recreation and club sports).
- **Dr. Margaret M. Andrews was approved as our founding Dean of the School of Nursing.** As announced in a May 24 email, Dr. Andrews will continue to guide the school through the next phase of its development. Her appointment is effective July 1, 2018.
- **The appointment of Thomas A. Hemphill, Professor of Management with tenure in our School of Management, as the David M. French Professor at UM-Flint was approved** as well. Dr. Hemphill joined UM-Flint as an assistant professor in 2005 and has been an asset to both SOM and the university ever since.

I want to again thank Provost Doug Knerr for all he has done in his time at UM-Flint. I wish him well during his year with the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges and look forward to his return as Professor of History in 2019. I also want to thank Vice Chancellor Barbara Avery for her leadership in Campus Inclusion and Student Life for the past three years. She will be missed. Finally, my appreciation to the search committees of these positions for all of their hard work during the hiring process.

Congratulations to our new appointments, and Go Blue!

Sincerely,

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Susan E. Borrego, Ph.D.
Chancellor

