

**Agendum
Oakland University
Board of Trustees Formal Session
October 17, 2025**

**UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ACTIONS
A Recommendation**

1. **Division and Department:** Academic Affairs, Office of the Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost.
2. **Introduction:** The following sets of personnel actions require the Board of Trustees (Board) approval.
3. **Previous Board Action:** The Board routinely approves personnel actions at its Formal Sessions.
4. **Budget Implications:** Changes in salary due to the promotion/change in faculty rank have been supported by the Board through the approval of Agreements between Oakland University and the Oakland University Chapter of the American Association of University Professors.
5. **Educational Implications:** Seasoned and knowledgeable faculty enhance the training and education of students. Recognition of a faculty member's long-standing dedication to the mission of the institution reinforces a culture that is devoted to excellence in teaching, research, creative endeavor, and service.
6. **Personnel Implications:** The personnel implications are as outlined in the recommendation below.
7. **University Reviews/Approvals:** Academic personnel actions are reviewed by faculty committees and academic deans, and are subject to the approval of the Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost. Administrative personnel actions are reviewed by University Human Resources, and when appropriate, by the Office of the Vice President for Legal Affairs.
8. **Recommendation:** RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approve the personnel actions below.

I. Oakland University William Beaumont School of Medicine Standard Appointments, effective October 17, 2025.

The following standard appointments in the Oakland University William Beaumont School of Medicine are for three years, commencing on October 17, 2025, and are renewable. These standard appointments are without salary support from Oakland University and are not tenured positions. Appointees must maintain an active affiliation with Corewell Health or Oakland University, meet all applicable School of Medicine Participation requirements, and maintain the continued support of their Department Chairs, who are responsible for assessing their performance. Appointees' standard appointments may also be terminated at any time, upon the recommendation of their Department Chair, or for reasons that are at the exclusive discretion of the Dean of the School of Medicine:

Miller, Sydney	Instructor	Emergency Medicine
Abboud, Nina B.	Instructor	Family Medicine
Darr, Kristin L.	Instructor	Family Medicine
Pan, Lawrence	Instructor	Family Medicine
Thibault, Adrianna M.	Instructor	Family Medicine
Lee, Marvin JH	Adjunct Professor	Foundational Med. Studies
Parks, Katie C.	Adjunct Asst. Professor	Foundational Med. Studies
Al-Hamad, Thanaa	Instructor	Internal Medicine
Kazanji, Noora	Assistant Professor	Internal Medicine
Small, Jami M.	Assistant Professor	Internal Medicine
Rana, Sonia W.	Instructor	Ophthalmology
Bazzi, Ahmed	Assistant Professor	Orthopaedic Surgery
Girgis, Christopher	Adjunct Asst. Professor	Orthopaedic Surgery
Amin, Mitul B.	Adjunct Professor	Pathology
Fedak Romanowski, Erin M.	Associate Professor	Pediatrics
McNamara, Nancy A.	Associate Professor	Pediatrics
Dhingra, Kirti	Instructor	Radiology
Ghannam, Jacob S.	Instructor	Radiology
Kirk, Lindsey	Instructor	Radiology

Standard Appointments – Change in Rank – Instructor to Assistant Professor

Effective July 1, 2025

Drewry, Melissa J.	Assistant Professor	Pediatrics
Suleiman, Ahmad M.	Assistant Professor	Pediatrics
Temple, Aja C.	Assistant Professor	Pediatrics

Standard Appointments – Change in Rank – Adjunct (Change from Standard to Supplemental)

Cannon, Michael E.	Adjunct Assoc. Professor	Internal Medicine
Falkell, Barbara J.	Adjunct Asst. Professor	Pediatrics

Standard Reappointments - Three Years

Lau, Wei	Professor	Anesthesiology
Moussa, Adib	Assistant Professor	Anesthesiology
Navas Blanco, Jose	Assistant Professor	Anesthesiology
Qazi, Aisha	Assistant Professor	Anesthesiology
Shukla, Shikha	Assistant Professor	Anesthesiology
Yerasi, Arjun	Assistant Professor	Anesthesiology
Dushaj, Gjon	Instructor	Emergency Medicine
Goike, Stephanie	Assistant Professor	Emergency Medicine
Neumann, John	Instructor	Emergency Medicine
Tausch, Katie	Assistant Professor	Emergency Medicine
Throgmorton, Tim	Instructor	Emergency Medicine
Armstrong, Karen	Adjunct Instructor	Family Medicine
El-Alam, Natalie	Assistant Professor	Family Medicine
Heselschwerdt, Jessica	Assistant Professor	Family Medicine
Hood, Wallace	Adjunct Instructor	Family Medicine
Kline, Elena	Adjunct Asst. Professor	Family Medicine
Sidahmed, Elkhansa	Assistant Professor	Family Medicine
Alsawah, Samir	Assistant Professor	Internal Medicine
Brothers, Ryan	Instructor	Internal Medicine
Cohen, Lisa	Associate Professor	Internal Medicine
Cross , Richard	Assistant Professor	Internal Medicine
Fisher, Jeffrey	Assistant Professor	Internal Medicine
Fuller, Brent	Assistant Professor	Internal Medicine
Jain, Deepali	Instructor	Internal Medicine
Jamil, Laith	Professor	Internal Medicine
Kaafarani, Hilana	Assistant Professor	Internal Medicine
Khoulani, Dania	Assistant Professor	Internal Medicine
Maddens, Nicholas	Assistant Professor	Internal Medicine
Margolis, Michael	Instructor	Internal Medicine
Mumtaz, Samar	Assistant Professor	Internal Medicine
Ramesh, Sindhu	Instructor	Internal Medicine
Shah, Niraj	Instructor	Internal Medicine
Williams, Stephen	Assistant Professor	Internal Medicine
Zafar, Khalid	Assistant Professor	Internal Medicine
Almsaddi, Malaz	Assistant Professor	Neurology

Standard Reappointments - Three Years (cont'd)

Essa, Basad	Assistant Professor	Neurology
Jolly, Surindar	Assistant Professor	Neurology
Kresch, Jodi	Instructor	Neurology
Menkes, Daniel	Professor	Neurology
Elia, Christopher	Assistant Professor	Neurosurgery
Serrano, Almeida Cesar	Assistant Professor	Neurosurgery
Al-Wahab, Zaid	Associate Professor	Obstetrics & Gynecology
Alpay-Savasan, Zeynep	Associate Professor	Obstetrics & Gynecology
Graham, Stewart	Professor	Obstetrics & Gynecology
Hammoud, Ahmad	Associate Professor	Obstetrics & Gynecology
Kaur, Sangeeta	Associate Professor	Obstetrics & Gynecology
Pokropek, Catherine	Assistant Professor	Obstetrics & Gynecology
Yilmaz, Ali	Assistant Professor	Obstetrics & Gynecology
Bohra, Lisa	Assistant Professor	Ophthalmology
Obertynski, Agatha	Assistant Professor	Ophthalmology
Weiner, Adam	Assistant Professor	Ophthalmology
Omari, Abdullah	Assistant Professor	Orthopaedic Surgery
Schreck, Paul	Adjunct Assist. Professor	Orthopaedic Surgery
Arshad, Muhammad	Assistant Professor	Pathology
Johnson, Ryan	Assistant Professor	Pathology
Li, Ying	Associate Professor	Pathology
Polanco Jacome, Evelyn	Assistant Professor	Pathology
Sun, Qian	Assistant Professor	Pathology
Sundram, Uma	Professor	Pathology
Lippitt, Denise	Instructor	Pediatrics
Little, Sarah	Assistant Professor	Pediatrics
Sahai, Shashi	Associate Professor	Pediatrics
Youn, Amy	Adjunct Instructor	Pediatrics
Ajluni, Sam	Assistant Professor	Psychiatry
Joseph, Kalappurackal	Assistant Professor	Psychiatry
Matei, Ancuta	Instructor	Psychiatry
Serpa, Carmen	Adjunct Asst. Professor	Psychiatry
Jawad, Maha	Associate Professor	Radiation Oncology
Seymour, Zachary	Assistant Professor	Radiation Oncology
Ebersole, John	Assistant Professor	Radiology
Lal, Nirish	Assistant Professor	Radiology
Shetty, Monisha	Associate Professor	Radiology
Stein, Lauren	Assistant Professor	Radiology
Handzo, Derek	Instructor	Surgery
Kiran, Sayee	Assistant Professor	Surgery
Stevens-Chase, Anastasia	Instructor	Surgery

Standard Reappointments - Three Years (cont'd)

Stevenson, Alina	Instructor	Surgery
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II. New Appointments

Effective August 15, 2024

Abusbaitan, Hanan	Assistant Professor of Nursing
Benoit, Emily	Assistant Professor of Archives and Special Collections
Cepeda Alfaro, Francisco	Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering
Cooper, Jonathan	Assistant Professor of Graphic Design
DiPucchio, Nicholas	Assistant Professor of History
Hall, Sara	Special Instructor of Nursing
Harris, Callie	Assistant Professor of Nursing
Hu, Jie	Special Instructor of Engineering
Hu, Xiaoyan	Assistant Professor of Political Science
Jahedi, Sana	Assistant Professor of Mathematics
Kelty, Noel	Assistant Professor of Education
Liu, Yang I	Instructor in Criminal Justice
Ma, Weicheng	Assistant Professor of Computer Science & Engineering
Marks, Jay	Special Instructor of Education
McCool, Megan	Assistant Professor of Writing
Miller, Matthew	Assistant Professor of Psychology
Morrow, Kelly	Assistant Professor of Nursing
Nader, Karim	Assistant Professor of Philosophy
Picchio, Marcos	Assistant Professor of Philosophy
Popovich, Jennifer	Assistant Professor of Film
Salazar Dantonio, Diego	
Fernando	Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering
Siebert-McKenzie, Amy	Assistant Professor of Biological Science
Standfest, Ryan	Assistant Professor of Art
Strader, Jared	Assistant Professor of Engineering
Symons, Carrie	Special Instructor of Education
Tian, Jiannan	Assistant Professor of Engineering
Tomlinson, Joshua	Assistant Professor of Music
Troxell-Smith, Sandra	Special Instructor in Biological Sciences
Venglar, Brian	Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy
Wang, Wenbo	Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering
West, Nicole	Special Instructor of Nursing
Williams, Brittany	Special Instructor in Radiation Technology
Zou, Yuzhou	Assistant Professor of Mathematics

III. Administrative-Professional Appointments

Althor, Adem, Executive Director of Global Engagement, effective August 1, 2025, appointed administrative-professional classifies at level U, pursuant to the Board's Contracting and Employment Authority Policy.

Pang, Guanglong, Director of Student Assessment, effective July 1, 2025, appointed administrative-professional classifies at level U, pursuant to the Board's Contracting and Employment Authority Policy.

Tillman, Andrew, Director of Presidential Communications, effective July 28, 2025, appointed administrative-professional classifies at level V, pursuant to the Board's Contracting and Employment Authority Policy

Baumgartner, Neil, Associate Vice President of Student Success and Advising, effective July 1, 2025, appointed administrative-professional reclassified at level W, pursuant to the Board's Contracting and Employment

IV. Emeritus

Effective October 17, 2025

Faculty

Matthews, Weldon, Professor Emeritus, History, College of Arts and Sciences

Clinical Faculty

Rocher, Leslie L., Clinical Professor Emeritus, Internal Medicine, School of Medicine

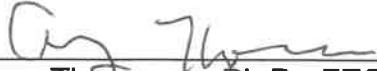
Shoichet, Sandor, Clinical Professor Emeritus, Internal Medicine, School of Medicine

Staff

Glenn McIntosh, Executive Emeritus, Student Affairs and Diversity

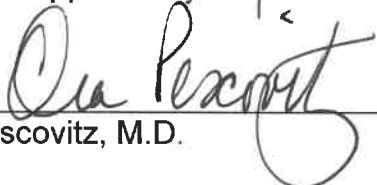
9. Attachments: None.

Submitted to the President
on October 8, 2025 by



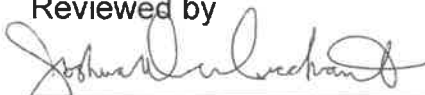
Amy Thompson, Ph.D., FESG, CHES
Executive Vice President for
Academic Affairs and Provost

Recommended on 10/9, 2025
to the Board for Approval by



Ora Hirsch Pescovitz, M.D.
President

Reviewed by



Joshua D. Merchant, Ph.D.
Chief of Staff and
Secretary to the Board of Trustees