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Personnel actions for faculty including promotions, tenure decision, and tenure-promotion actions were announced this week:

PROMOTION

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>College</u>
Alper, Joseph	Associate	Chemistry	
Bronner, Louise	Associate	German	I
Costa, Paul	Associate	Psychology	I
Garrett, Gerald	Associate	Sociology	I
Harwood, Alan	Associate	Anthropology	I
Matteo, Martha	Associate	Biology	II
Prouty, Roger	Professor (full)	History	I
Sreiber, Ronald	Associate	English	I
Schultz, John	Associate	Biology	II
Segal, Lester	Associate	History	II
Walia, Adorna	Associate	Spanish	I

PROMOTION AND TENURE

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>College</u>
Andic, Martin	Associate	Philosophy	I
Carrara, Antonio	Assistant	Italian	I
Garrity, Monique	Associate	Economics	II
Godfrey, Colin	Assistant	Mathematics	II
Harrison, Bettina	Associate	Biology	I
Lukas, Joan	Associate	Mathematics	I
Podoff, David	Associate	Economics	I
Seaman, Edna	Associate	Biology	I
Shatz, Marshall	Associate	History	II
Van Ummersen, Claire	Associate	Biology	II

<u>Name</u>	<u>TENURE</u> <u>Department</u>	<u>College</u>
Auslander, Bernice	Mathematics	II
Babcock, Donald	English	I
Berman, Laurence	Music	I
Catz, Leonard	Physics	
Comenetz, Daniel	Mathematics	I
Finney, Martha	English	II
Larson, Calvin	Sociology	I
Mollow, Benjamin	Physics	
Ross, Barbara	Psychology	I
Samuels, Ina	Psychology	I
Schiavo-Campo, Salvatore	Economics	I
Seeley, Robert	Mathematics	I
Shane, John	Physics	
Strange, John		III
Thompson, Brian	French	II
Thurman, Harold	Art	II
Tomlinson, Michael	Mathematics	II

Nominations for University Medal for Outstanding Service

Trustees of the University of Massachusetts are seeking nominations of potential recipients of the University Medal for Outstanding Service.

The medal, authorized by the board in 1972, is intended to bring special recognition to persons who have given significant and exceptional service to the university and to inspire people to give special service to the university beyond their normal duties.

First recipients were Prof. Thomas N. Brown, chairman of the College I history department and Prof. Seymour Shapiro, professor of botany at Amherst. Both have represented their faculties at meetings of the board and have been active in campus governance activities.

Those primarily eligible to receive the medal include students, alumni, faculty, administrators, staff and other employees, legislators, government employees, and friends of the university.

Details on the medal and information on the criteria established by the board for considering candidates are available from the office of the secretary, University of Massachusetts, One Washington Mall, Boston, 02108, (617) 723-7820.

Nominations must be submitted to the Secretary's office not later than June 1. It is expected that the board will make its decision on award of the medal in the early fall.

Honors for Dr. Garrity

Dr. Monique Garrity, Economics II, has been named by the Council for International Exchange of Scholars as a Fulbright-Hays award winner. The awards are made by the Board of Foreign Scholarships and the Department of State. Dr. Garrity's award is for lecturing in Senegal in the field of Economics.

Outstanding Young Woman

Elizabeth Simmons Guinn of Needham, a junior at UMass-Boston majoring in Sociology, has been named Outstanding Young Methodist Woman of Massachusetts by The Christian Women United. At 21 she has had world wide experience in charitable endeavors. When she was 18 she went to Milan, where she worked with 130 children from the ages of 3 to 18. After graduation from UMass-Boston she hopes to work in an adoption agency.

Elected

Professor Stan Nikkel of the Sociology Department, College I, has been elected to the town Planning Board in Hingham.

Hingham has a population of about 21,000. The town Planning Board is the Agency for long-range planning, sub-division control and planning of the growth process in the town.

Foreign Student Conference

Bette Davis, Foreign Student and International Programs Advisor in the Central Advising Office, has been elected to the National Executive Committee of SECUSSA (Section on U.S. Students Abroad), one of the five sub-divisions of NAFSA, the National Association of Foreign Student Affairs. She has also been appointed to serve on NAFSA's Government Liaison Commission. On May 28-31 she is attending the NASFA National Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where she will participate in a panel discussion on the topic "A Model for Evaluating Study Abroad Programs."

Jacob Getson

Jake Getson assumes his new duties this week as Assistant Secretary of Human Services at the State House. At UMass-Boston he was Director of Grant Development and Community Services, where he built up further ties to the community, especially through the establishment of the second field office at Dorchester Ave.

Visitors

One of the many ways for community, civic, and government groups to know more about our institution is to have them on campus for meetings or tours.

In recent days, some of the groups here the Governor's Committee on Physical Fitness and Sports, a large group of Washington officials to see the operations of our ACTION Program, a group of Boston business and cultural leaders who are members of The Tavern Club, distinguished librarians who come to see the magnificent operation and building headed by Walter Grossmann, the Public Information directors of the New England Land Grant Universities, and others.

One interesting group was a busload of Woburn High School students. Their teachers and guidance counselors were so impressed with the educational benefits of the trip that they are scheduling more, and are publicizing their visits in the Woburn Times.

Graduation Speakers

Dr. Carlo Golino will give the main address at this year's Commencement Exercises on Thursday, June 6, at 4.00 p. m.

The student speakers will be Reginald Cagle of Dorchester, who served as student Trustee for the past year, and Angela G. Szep of Scituate who brings additional honors to The Szep's family life. Her husband recently won a Pulitzer Prize for his Boston Globe cartoons.

Validity Study

Janice Keim, Admissions, has completed the first formal three year validity study on entering freshmen to determine how well SAT scores, high school rank, and age perform their function in predicting success at UMass-Boston. Her research was supported through the cooperation of Joseph Crick, Coordinator of Computer Planning, Thomas Marx of Computer Facilities, and the staff.

Copies of this report are available through the Admissions Office.

Three of the recommendations are:

1. SAT scores and class ranks should continue to be used as criteria of admission with flexibility in the evaluation to allow for the unmeasured variables that may lead to success at U. M. B.
2. Since the computer program gives us a predicted grade average anyway (at least at present), the Boston formulas should be put into the program rather than have the Admissions Office continue to receive the U. M. A. prediction which has a much weaker predictive validity. The Admissions Office will then be able to use the predicted grade average for administrative processing, since, as noted below, it would be unwise to use the prediction for decision making.
3. Separate prediction formulas should be used for males and females since the significant variables affecting grade point average are different for them.