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Martin Israel named dean of Arts and Sciences faculty

Martin H. Israel, Ph.D., professor of physics and acting dean, has been named dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, according to Chancellor William H. Danforth.

Fleischer said he began his academic career as a student of Arab and Iranian Islamic society. However, for the past 10 years, he has focused primarily on the Ottoman Empire. He said the grant will give him the opportunity to spend more time researching and writing in the broader field he first entered. "I would like to return to and devote more time to a comprehensive comparative study of a number of early modern Islamic societies," he said.

Philip W. Majerus

Philosophy and acting dean, has been elected a member of the prestigious Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences.

Majerus is one of 40 new members of the institute, which was created in 1970 to examine public health policy matters. New members are chosen by currently active members for major contributions to health and medicine or related fields, among them social and behavioral sciences, law, administration and engineering.

Terms for new members began July 1, bringing the organization's total membership to 74. There are currently 14 faculty on staff at the School of Medicine who are active members.

Majerus was elected to the Institute of Medicine in recognition of his research on the role of platelets in forming blood clots and for the discovery of mechanisms by which cells respond to hormones and other external agents. These responses follow the formation of several different messenger molecules that carry signals from the cell's surface to its interior and other cells. Interference with the formation of one such messenger provides the basis for the usefulness of aspirin to prevent blood clots.

Majerus is well known for his pioneering clinical research indicating that daily low doses of aspirin can help prevent possibly fatal thrombosis (blood clotting) in kidney dialysis patients, without harmful side effects. His study suggested that aspirin might prevent clotting among patients who had already suffered one such occurrence, and indicated that healthy persons might take aspirin on a regular basis to reduce the possibility of a heart attack. A follow-up study conducted at Harvard University and published earlier this year in the New England Journal of Medicine confirmed Majerus' preliminary work.

Majerus has been on the University's faculty since 1966. He is co-director of the Division of Hematology-Oncology, principal investigator and director of the Specialized Center for Research in Thrombosis, and a physician at Barnes Hospital. He graduated magna cum laude from the School of Medicine in 1961.
Women’s Society awards scholarship

James Ridings, who will graduate from the St. Louis Community College at Florissant Valley in August, has won a two-year full tuition scholarship to Washington University. The University’s Women’s Society awarded the honorary scholarship for the 13th consecutive year.

The scholarship is awarded on the basis of academic record and achievement outside the classroom, irrespective of financial need. Ridings, who will enter Washington’s School of Engineering, plans to pursue a career in electrical engineering.

Hardy Fuchs dies; Information Services director since 1968

Hardy H. Fuchs, 59, director of Information Services at Washington University, died Sunday, July 10, at his home in south St. Louis County after a prolonged illness.

Fuchs began his association with the University as a student in 1946, and graduated from the School of Business in 1950. After holding various positions with Ely Walker and Co. and Burlington Industries, he returned to the University in 1966 and was named director of Information Services in 1968. In this position, Fuchs provided the leadership for the automation of the University’s administrative functions. He also had served as an instructor of data processing.

Fuchs was active in many local and national data processing organizations, and was a lifelong member of the South St. Louis County Chamber of Commerce.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia; a daughter, Elaine Halley; a son, Hardy Fuchs; and two grandchildren. Memorial contributions may be made to Washington University or VNA/Community Hospice.

Givens Hall renovation enhances architecture’s computer capabilities

A renovation project recently completed at Givens Hall not only has expanded the architecture school’s space, but eventually will lead to a dramatic increase in the use of computers in the school’s curriculum, says Constantine E. Michalides, dean of the School of Architecture.

"This renovation is the most significant project — in terms of expenditure and magnitude — in upgrading the School of Architecture in recent years," Michalides says.

The west end of the second floor of Givens Hall, which once housed two small studios and an office, will soon be home to the school’s computer operations. The $360,000 renovation included the addition of a new mezzanine that will house an architectural design studio and two new faculty offices.

With a number of computer workstations, the new facilities will permit the school to expand its use of computer systems and integrate them into the graduate architectural design sequence. During the past five years, computer-aided architectural design seminars and workshops have been offered to only a limited number of graduate students each semester. The expanded computer facilities will allow greater access to computers for more students.

The St. Louis firm of Jettner and Bowersox, which recently won an Honor Award for an addition to Louderman Hall in the chemistry complex, designed the renovation.

The project is the result of academic work done by the school’s Teaching Innovation Committee, whose members have been working on plans for several years. Committee members include Professor David Van Bokkem, director of the Urban Research and Design Center; Associate Professor Ian Fraser; Assistant Professor Rod Hemlin; Associate Dean Jim Harris; and Michalides.
NOTABLES

Charles B. Adams, an editor in the publications office, won second place in the 1988 Western Writers of America Short Story contest. This is the second year that Adams was awarded second place in the contest. His winning story, titled "Moving Day," is being considered for publication in St. Louis Home Magazine.

Louis (Ned) Alfeld, J.D., affiliate professor of civil engineering and policy, has written a book on Construction Productivity (McGraw-Hill, 1988). He also has opened a law firm in Clayton, specializing in construction law.

Robert Benson, J.D., associate vice chancellor for computing and communications, has been elected a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science; he also is being elected to the board of overseers to the university libraries of Tufts University.

Susan Crawford, Ph.D., director of the medical school library and professor of biomedical communication, has received the Medical Library Association's (MLA) Award for achievement as editor of the Bulletin of the Medical Library Association. The award, presented at the MLA annual meeting in New Orleans, is the first bestowed by the association to the editor of its international journal. Crawford also recently was elected to the board of overseers to the university libraries of Tufts University.

Paula B. Davis, M.D., instructor in medicine in the Program on Aging (Department of Medicine) and post-doctoral trainee in psychiatric epidemiology (Department of Psychiatry), and Lee N. Robbins, Ph.D., professor of psychology, received a first place poster award at the joint 45th Annual American Geriatrics Society and Annual American Federation for Aging Research Meeting, held in Anaheim, Calif. Their poster, titled "Mortality in Community-Dwelling Elders With and Without Cognitive Impairment," examined the relationship of cognitive problems with one-year mortality, using data from the National Institute of Mental Health Epidemiologic Catchment Area Project. Data was collected using the diagnostic interview schedule developed by Robins and John Helzer. M.D., professor of psychiatry.

Iver Bernstein, Ph.D., assistant professor of history, was invited keynote speaker at a conference on "Labor in New York." He spoke on "Democracy and Phases in the History of Labor in the 19th Century," the topic of a book he wrote on "Labor in New York." He also was named one of the 25 most outstanding teachers at the university.

Marybeth Brown, Ph.D., assistant professor in physical therapy, has been elected to a Fellowship in the College of Sports Medicine (ACSM). She was recognized by the ACSM during its annual meeting in Dallas. While at the conference, she presented a paper on "The Low and High Intensity Exercise Effects on Selected Physical Performance Characteristics in Older Adults."

Glenn C. Conroy, Ph.D., professor of anatomy and anthropology, and Michael W. Vannier, M.D., associate professor of radiology, were awarded the first Phillip V. Tobias Essay Prize for their research paper on the application of 3-D imaging of early hominid fossil skulls. The award was presented to Conroy and Vannier by the Foundation for Research in Anthropology at the University of the Witwatersrand Medical School in Johannesburg, South Africa. The prize was established by the Institute for the Study of Man in Africa in honor of Tobias, through whose efforts the institute was established and in recognition of his contributions as an academic leader and a humanist. 3-D imaging allows investigators to electronically dissect a fossil skull without damaging the specimen. Conroy and Vannier have been visiting the University of the Witwatersrand, The University of Cape Town, and The University of Stellenbosch, all in Stellenbosch, South Africa.

Have you done something notable? Have you: Presented a paper? Won an award? Been named to a committee or elected an officer of your organization? Have your school or university? The Washington University Record will help spread the good news. Contributions regarding faculty and staff promotion, recognition, and professional or personal activities are gladly accepted and encouraged. Send a brief note with your full name and degree, current title and department along with a description of your noteworthy activity. Notables, Campus Box 1795, or by electronic mail to p022655@wumail.wustl.edu. Please include a phone number.

Menu of Excellence

Charles L. Leven, Ph.D., professor of economics, delivered a lecture on "Postindustrialism, Regional Change and Economics" at the University of New Mexico. In both lectures, he discussed the relationship of brain injury to the premature infant, with an emphasis on means of prevention. Volpe is director of the Division of Pediatric Neurology.

Faculty promotions announced

The following faculty received promotions, effective July 1, 1988.

Hilltop campus

Joseph J. H. Ackerman, to professor of chemistry; Barry C. Ames, to professor of political science; Ian W. Duncan, to associate professor of biology; Marvin J. Fisher, to professor of electrical engineering; Roger M. Gibson, to associate professor of philosophy; Robert E. Hegel, to professor of Asian and Near Eastern languages and literatures; John H. Hochstein, to associate professor of mechanical engineering; Plascal A. Irri, to associate professor of French; Kenneth L. Jerina, to professor of mechanical engineering; Edward F. Mcclennan, to professor of philosophy; William B. McKinnon, to associate professor of earth and planetary sciences; Seth W. Norton, to associate professor of marketing and business economics; Jeffrey Soknic, to professor of chemistry; Kevin Z. Truman, to associate professor of civil engineering.

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Their nominations are reviewed by a 15-member selection committee. Final approval comes from the foundation's board of directors.

Among this year's fellowship recipients are individuals in the fields of agriculture, jazz, military history, puppet theatre, seismology, paleontology, and feature and documentary film, ecological history, Ethiopian studies, fiction, and community development.

Peter R. Haven, Ph.D., Engemann Professor of Botany at the University and director of the Missouri Botanical Garden, received a MacArthur Fellowship in 1985.

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NEWSMAKERS

Washington University faculty and staff make news around the globe. Following is a digest of media coverage they have received during recent weeks for their scholarly activities, research and general expertise.

Howard Nemerov, Edward Mallinckrodt Distinguished University Professor of English, has been named 1988-89 poet laureate of the United States. This Congressional appointment received wide news coverage across the nation, including Time, Christian Science Monitor, New York Times, Chicago Tribune, Los Angeles Times, U.S. News and World Report.


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Audition times set for Wind Ensemble, Symphony Orchestra

Audition dates have been set for both the Washington University Symphony Orchestra and the Wind Ensemble. All brass, woodwind and percussion players in the St. Louis community are invited to audition, by appointment, from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 1, and from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 8. Late auditions will be scheduled by appointment only.

The Wind Ensemble is directed by Dan R. Presgrave, director of bands. The 55-member ensemble, founded in 1972 by Presgrave, plays a repertoire that includes the best wind literature from all periods, ranging from chamber pieces to full concert band music.

The Washington University Symphony Orchestra will hold auditions for the 1988-89 season Aug. 31-Sept. 1 in Tietjens Rehearsal Hall. Auditions will be held, by appointment, from 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 31, and from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 1. Late auditions will be scheduled by appointment only.

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James M. Gorry, to associate professor of clinical pediatrics; *Edmond C. Crouch, to associate professor of clinical pediatrics; Sondra J. Dodson, to assistant professor of clinical pediatrics; James W. Fleshman, Jr., to assistant professor of surgery (general surgery); Elliot Field Gellman, to associate professor of clinical pediatrics; Randall E. Genton, to assistant professor of medicine.

Martin D. Jendrasik, to assistant professor of surgery; William G. Jergens Jr., to associate professor of clinical medicine; Robert B. Kopolsky, to assistant professor of medicine; Phillip E. Korenbrot, to professor of clinical medicine; Bruce A. Kraemer, to assistant professor of surgery (plastic and reconstructive surgery); Susan Elaine Kruhl, to research assistant professor of medicine.

Richard L. Lazazzero, to assistant professor of clinical pediatrics; A. S. Levin, to assistant professor of medicine; *Collins E. Lewis, to associate professor of psychiatry; *Dennis Y. Loh, to associate professor of medicine; Thomas C. McKinney, to assistant professor of clinical pediatrics; Mary V. Marx, to assistant professor of radiology; Thalaloumi Mohanakumar, to professor of surgery (general surgery); Carlons M. Monzon, to associate professor of clinical pediatrics; Homer E. Nash Jr., to associate professor of clinical pediatrics; Steven J. Plax, to associate professor of clinical pediatrics; Joseph V. Parco, to assistant professor of psychiatry; Daniel A. Portney, to assistant professor of microbiology and immunology; William G. Powerly, to assistant professor of medicine; Gary A. Rutkin, to associate professor of clinical medicine; John P. Rice, to professor of biostatistics; Deborah C. Rubin, to associate professor of medicine; Eugene H. Rubin, to associate professor of psychiatry; Richard W. Sato, to associate professor of clinical pediatrics; *Daniel P. Schuster, to associate professor of medicine; Shukuntla Scetharam, to research assistant professor of medicine; Gregorio A. Sicard, to professor of surgery (general surgery); Elizabeth M. Srinivasan, to research associate professor of social work in psychiatry; Samuel L. Stanley Jr., to associate professor of medicine; John W. Turk, to associate professor of pathology; and Kathryn A. Yamada, to research assistant professor of medicine.

Faculty granted tenure

The following is a list of appointments with tenure, promotions with tenure and granting of tenure for Hilltop, Medical and Dental school faculty, effective July 1, 1988, unless otherwise noted.

Appointment with tenure

Joel D. Cooper, as professor of surgery (cardiothoracic surgery); Ian Fraser, as associate professor of architecture, effective March 4, 1988; Maria Linais Lagen-Pope, as associate professor of Spanish; William F. P. Malone, as professor of restorative dentistry, effective August 1, 1988; Chakravarti Narasimham, as associate professor of marketing; Jay S. Pepose, as associate professor of ophthalmology; Algeramsy Srinivasan, as associate professor of ophthalmology; Kenneth S. K. Tung, as professor of pathology.

Promotions with tenure

Robert M. Carney, to associate professor of medical psychology in psychiatry; Edmund C. Crouch, to associate professor of pathology with tenure guaranteed by Jewish Hospital; Ian W. Duncan, to associate professor of medicine; Roger F. Gibson, to associate professor of philosophy; Pascal A. Ifri, to associate professor of French; Collins F. Lewis, to associate professor of psychiatry; Dennis Y. Loh, to associate professor of medicine; William B. McKinnow, to associate professor of earth and planetary science; Eugene H. Rubin, to associate professor of psychiatry; Paul H. Schlesinger, to associate professor of cell biology; and Daniel P. Schuster, to associate professor of medicine.

Granting of tenure

William F. Hickey, as associate professor of pathology, effective March 4, 1988; Henry J. Kaplan, as professor of ophthalmology, effective March 4, 1988; Jeff W. Lichtman, as associate professor of neurobiology, effective March 4, 1988; Stanley Strembicki, as associate professor of psychiatry; and Jonathan S. Turner, as associate professor of computer science.

Summer Orchestra to perform Aug. 9

The Classic Summer Orchestra, an ensemble hosted by Washington University, will perform at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 9, in Bowles Plaza. The concert is free.

The orchestra, conducted by Dan R. Presgrave, will perform Richard Wagner’s “Die Meistersinger Overture,” Mozart’s “Symphony No. 40,” and George Bizet’s “L’Arlesienne Suite.”

The Classic Summer Orchestra is made up of musicians from throughout the St. Louis area. For more information, call the music department at 889-5581.