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Dear new colleagues,

On behalf of the Tulane community, I extend you a hearty and warm welcome! You have joined an institution that has flourished for over a century and a half – one originally founded in 1834 as the Medical College of Louisiana to help improve the public health of the New Orleans region. It is that wonderful and fine tradition of public service and community engagement of which you now become a part.

Ours is a university that is nationally and internationally recognized as a leading research and art-making institution—one that is innovative, trend-setting, and student-centered. Our schools and colleges offer a wide array of undergraduate, graduate, and professional degrees in architecture, business, law, liberal arts, medicine, public health and tropical medicine, science and engineering, and social work.

Tulane today connects its values and mission to the needs of the city of New Orleans, the state of Louisiana, and the Gulf Coast region—as well as to those of the nation and the wider world. Community involvement is increasingly a core part of the research, scholarship, and artistic endeavors in which our faculty and students engage. We are very proud that Tulane faculty and staff lend their expertise to rebuilding efforts while at the same time our students gain real-world experience putting their rapidly maturing skills to use.

Excellence in research and art-making, outstanding teaching and mentorship, and the striking diversity of the degree programs we offer help attract to Tulane the very best faculty and students from across our nation and from around the world. When also given the opportunity to be involved in one of the largest urban renewal projects in history, our students ultimately have an educational experience found only in New Orleans, only at Tulane. In the final analysis, it is you and all of the faculty and staff of our University who make Tulane the truly extraordinary place that it is today; it is the students and the wider communities we serve that are our greatest legacy.

I hope that your years at Tulane are inspiring, productive and fulfilling. I wish you every success in all your endeavors.

Most Cordially,

Michael A. Bernstein

Professor of History and Economics

Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost

Beatrice Arduini, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts

Visiting Assistant Professor, French and Italian

Beatrice Arduini received her B.A. in Italian Literature from Universitè degli Studi of Milan, Italy; her M.A. in Italian Studies from Indiana University, Bloomington; her Dottorato di Ricerca in History of Italian Literature and Italian Language from Universitè degli Studi of Milan, Italy, and her Ph.D. in Italian Literature with a dissertation on Dante's Convivio in the Trecento: the Manuscript Culture of a Dantean Fragment, from Indiana University, Bloomington, where from 2003-2007 she was an Assistant Instructor of Italian. Dr. Arduini's publications include articles in Medioevo e Rinascimento. Her current research is focused on Medieval and Renaissance Italian literature, in particular Dante studies.

Stephanie M. Arnett, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts

Visiting Assistant Professor, Latin American Studies and Sociology

Stephanie M. Arnett received her Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Notre Dame in May of 2007. Her areas of specialization in sociology are education, race and ethnicity, and social stratification. Her work focuses on international comparisons, especially in the Latin American region. Dr. Arnett comes to Tulane after having spent a year as a Jean Monnet Postdoctoral Fellow at the European University Institute in Florence, Italy, where she pursued research on the quality of education and its relationships with inequality in modern societies. Her current crossnational research continues this line of work by examining how family socioeconomic status, school factors, and the structural characteristics of nations interact and produce educational stratification. In addition, she is interested in identifying specific contexts that weaken the relationship between social class and academic outcomes.

Drew Baldwin, M.D., M.P.H.

School of Medicine

Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine

Drew Baldwin is a graduate of Tulane College and Tulane Medical School. He trained in internal medicine at NYU and Bellevue Hospital, in cardiology at the University of Pittsburgh, and in interventional cardiology at Brown. Dr. Baldwin returned to practice clinical and interventional cardiology at Tulane University Hospital & Clinic and University Hospital. His research interests include coronary artery stents and health care quality improvement.

Alan Barreca, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, Economics

Alan Barreca received his Ph.D. from University of California, Davis in July of 2008. His research and teaching interests include health economics, labor economics, public economics, and economic development. His dissertation research explored the long-term effects of exposure to malaria during early childhood and the importance of humidity as a determinant of mortality.

Michelle Beissel Heath, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow, English

Michelle Beissel Heath received her Ph.D. in English from The George Washington University in Washington, DC, in May 2008. In 2007 she was the recipient of a Cosmos Club fellowship that enabled her to travel to London to research the Victoria & Albert Museum of Childhood's collection of board and other games, from which some of the research for her dissertation, *Domestic Play: Order, Control, and British Identity, 1860-1920*, is drawn. Her publications include an essay on Edwardian children's games, literature, and domesticity, which is forthcoming in a book from Palgrave Macmillan on childhood in Edwardian fiction, edited by Adrienne Gavin and Andrew Humphries. She is currently revising her dissertation for publication.

Thomas Beller, M.F.A.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, English

Thomas Beller is editor and cofounder of *Open City Magazine and Books*, and creator of the website Mrbellersneighborhood.com. He is the author of three books: *Seduction Theory: Stories, The Sleep-Over Artist: A Novel*, and *How To Be a Man: Essays* (all from W.W. Norton). *The Sleep-Over Artist* was a New York Times Notable Book and an LA Times Best Book of 2000. His fiction has appeared in *The New Yorker, Ploughshares, Elle, Harper's Bazaar*, and *Best American Short Stories*, and has been read on NPR's *This American Life* and *Selected Shorts*. He is a regular contributor to *The New York Times* and *Travel and Leisure Magazine*.

Margaret Butler, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, Classical Studies

Margaret Butler (Meg) received her B.A. in 2000 from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and her Ph.D. in 2008 from Stanford University. Her research and teaching interests cover the history, archaeology, and culture of the ancient Greek world, especially ancient leadership, state formation, sociocultural change, and socio-political and ritual behavior. She has conducted historical, archaeological, and ethnographic fieldwork in the United States, Jordan, Sicily, and Greece. One of her special interests is the study of ritual behaviors such as dining, drinking, death-ritual, and festivals and their roles in society. She is very excited to have the opportunity to compare ancient ritual behavior with the rich cultural heritage of ritual behavior here in New Orleans.

I. Carolina Caballero, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Lecturer, Spanish and Portuguese

I. Carolina Caballero received her doctorate from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2004. Before coming to Tulane, she was an Assistant Professor of Spanish at Regis University in Denver, Colorado where she offered a variety of courses in both Spanish and English. Her research interests include Latin American theater, particularly from Cuba and the Cuban diaspora, as well as U.S. Latino literature.

Lauren Cardon, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow, English

Lauren Cardon received her B.A. and B.F.A. from the University of Texas at Austin in 1999, and her Ph.D. in English from Tulane University in the spring of 2008. In her dissertation, Marrying in and out of Whiteness: Twentieth-Century Intermarriage Narratives, she examines shifting American perceptions of race, ethnicity, and whiteness through intermarriage stories, conducting comparative studies of blackwhite interracial marriage and white-white ethnic intermarriage narratives. She has published articles in the Southern Quarterly and Saul Bellow Journal, and she most recently presented a paper on the figure of the "mixed-blood" in Native American literature at the American Literature Association conference in San Francisco. While at Tulane, she taught as a graduate teaching assistant; for the past two years, she has been teaching at several universities in New York (Fordham, Yeshiva, and the New School) as an adjunct professor.

William Carter, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Visiting Assistant Professor, Germanic and Slavic Studies

William H. Carter received his Ph.D. from the University of California, Santa Barbara in 2005. For the past three years, he has taught German and International Studies at Iowa State University.

Chayan Chakraborti, M.D.

School of Medicine

Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine

Chayan Chakraborti received a B.S. in Biology and an B.A. in Philosophy from Duke University. He received his M.D. from Tulane University School of Medicine, where he also did a residency in internal medicine. He continued on to the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine where he participated in a fellowship program in Medical Education. His current clinical duties are as attending physician at MCLNO-University Hospital. His research and published manuscripts have involved teamwork training and quality improvement effectiveness in medical education. He has developed several curricula in these areas and continues to participate in medical education research involving standardized patient and high-fidelity simulations.

YiPing Chen, Ph.D.

School of Science and Engineering Professor, Cell and Molecular Biology

Dr. YiPing Chen received his Ph.D. degree from the University of Iowa in 1993. After postdoctoral training at Harvard Medical School, Dr. Chen joined Tulane University as an Assistant Professor in 1997, and was promoted through the rank to Full Professor in 2004. Before he was recruited back to Tulane in 2008, Dr. Chen was a professor at the Ohio State University.

Michael Cohen, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Visiting Assistant Professor, Jewish Studies

Michael R. Cohen is the Schusterman Visiting Assistant Professor in Jewish Studies and History at Tulane University. He received his A.B. in History and Judaic Studies from Brown University, and earned his Ph.D. from Brandeis University in Near Eastern and Judaic Studies, focusing particularly on American and Modern European Jewish History. His dissertation, Schechter's Disciples: How Solomon Schechter's Students Created Conservative Judaism, 1902-1946, argues that this movement did not emerge

from a distinct ideology, but rather was created by its first generation of rabbis - the disciples of Solomon Schechter. Dr. Cohen was the 2007 recipient of the American Jewish Historical Society's Ruth B. Fein Prize, and held the 2006-07 Bernard and Audre Rapoport Fellowship at the American Jewish Archives. He previously worked for the YIVO Institute for Jewish Research, where he helped to develop the Educational Program on Yiddish Culture.

Nicola Corbett, M.D.

School of Medicine Instructor of Clinical Orthopedics

Nicola Corbett completed her undergraduate degree in Cell and Molecular Biology at Tulane in 1999. She then obtained her medical degree at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. Dr. Corbett went on to complete her orthopaedic surgery residency at Tulane in 2008. She is currently working as a Foot and Ankle Fellow/Instructor in the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at Tulane

Ronald S. Davis, M.D., M.S., FAAD

School of Medicine

Professor of Clinical Dermatology

Ronald S. Davis graduated from Tulane Medical School in 1975 and completed his residency in dermatology at Charity Hospital-Tulane Division in 1979. He has been in private practice in California and Texas and served as Clinical Professor of Dermatology at Southwestern Medical School from 1982 to 2007 After a year as part-time faculty, commuting between Texas and New Orleans, he joined the Department of Dermatology full-time in July 2008. Dr. Davis currently serves on the Board of Directors of the American Academy of Dermatology and is a past president of the Dallas and Texas Dermatological Societies

Marcella Del Signore, M.Arch II

School of Architecture Assistant Professor

Marcella Del Signore is an architect who holds a Master in Architecture from University La Sapienza in Rome and a M.S in Advanced Architectural Design from Columbia University, Graduate School of Architecture. In 2001, she won the European Erasmus Scholarship to study one year in Esquela Politecnica of Madrid. She has been practicing in Rome, New Orleans, and New York. In New York she worked for Eisenman Architects and Richard Meier & Partners. She taught at Barnard and Columbia Architecture programs and at LSU School of Architecture. She is the principal of Neyron Studio and the co-founder of AAS. The Automatic Architecture School research group, currently investigating the production of strategic architectural design. Her research interests and areas of expertise are focused on the role of digital media in the design process. She has been a registered architect in Italy and EU since 2005.

John DellaCroce, M.D.

School of Medicine Assistant Professor, Ophthalmology

John DellaCroce received his B.S. in Biomedical Engineering in 1998 from Louisiana Tech University and his medical degree from Louisiana State University in 2002. He completed an internship in internal medicine at Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center in 2003 and a residency in ophthalmology in 2006 at the Tulane University School of Medicine. He also completed a retina fellowship in 2008 at the John A. Moran Eye Center at the University of Utah. Dr. DellaCroce's research interests include endophthalmitis (intraocular infections), systemic disease and its effects on the eye, macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, retinal detachment prophylaxis and treatment, proliferative vitreoretinopathy and vitreo-retinal surgical instrument design.

Chukwunomnso Dennar, M.D.

School of Medicine Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine

Chukwunomnso Dennar earned a B.A. degree in Chemistry from Williams College in 1996 and an M.D. from Temple University School of Medicine in 2001. He subsequently completed a combined residency in Internal Medicine and Pediatrics in 2005. He is boardcertified by both the American Board of Internal Medicine and the American Board of Pediatrics. Between 2005 and 2007, he served as part of the City of Philadelphia Health Department team of physicians that provided essential health care services for underserved communities in Philadelphia. In addition, he worked as a hospitalist at Abington Memorial Hospital and a staff physician at Mercy Hospital of Philadelphia. In 2007, he was nominated for a Philadelphia Community Physician Service Award. In January of 2008, he joined the Tulane Medicine Faculty as Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine and Pediatrics. He is the medical director of the Tulane Medical Mobile Unit and an academic hospitalist with the Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care System here in New Orleans. His clinical interests includes the application of epidemiological principles to physician histories and physical examinations, bridging the gap between the potential benefits of medical treatment and the current realities of medical management particularly in underserved communities, and nutrition as it relates to brain health and hormonal aspects of weight management. He esteems both patient education and medical education and remains dedicated to developing relevant progressive methods to make them more efficient, enjoyable and successful.

Princess Dennar, M.D.

School of Medicine

Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine; Co-Program Director of the Combined Internal Medicine and Pediatric Residency Program

Princess Dennar earned her B.S in Biology from Haverford College in 1998, and an M.D. degree from MCP-Hahnemann (Drexel University) Medical School in 2002. After completion of her internship in Newark Beth Israel Medical Center in 2003, she continued on to complete a combined training in the Internal Medicine and Pediatric Residency Program in 2006. She is currently board certified in both Internal Medicine and Pediatrics by the American Board of Internal Medicine and the American Board of Pediatrics. In 2006, she was honored with the NBIMC Emergency Medicine Head Trauma Research Award. In 2007, Dr. Dennar worked as a physician at the Philadelphia Health Department helping to implement health care safety net services for underserved communities. In addition, she served as Director of Community Health Care Services with a non-profit organization called the United African Educational Foundation. Dr. Dennar joined the Department of Internal Medicine and the Department of Pediatrics at Tulane University School of Medicine as Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine and the Southeast Louisiana Veteran Health Care System as an Academic Hospitalist in January 2008. She became the Medical Director of Tulane University Internal Medicine Residency Continuality Clinic at MCLNO and the Medical Director of Lower 9th Ward Health Clinic in January 2008 and April 2008, respectively. She was recently appointed as Co-Program Director for the Internal Medicine and Pediatric Residency Program in September 2008. Her clinical interests include medical education, obesity prevention strategies in adolescent females, and pain management in sickle cell patients. She remains committed to bridging the gap between academic and community medicine, particularly in underserved populations.

Stacy Drury, Ph.D., M.D.

School of Medicine

Assistant Professor, Psychiatry and Neurology, Tulane Cancer Center, Pediatrics

Stacy Drury received her B.A. from the University of Virginia in 1993 in Biology and Religious Studies and her M.S. in Human Genetics at the University of Michigan. She then completed her M.D. and Ph.D. from Louisiana State University in New Orleans, Louisiana. She completed both her adult and child and adolescent Psychiatry training at Tulane University and is currently an Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Pediatrics at Tulane where her clinical focus is medically ill children and pediatric consult liaison psychiatry.

James E. Duggan, J.D.

School of Law Associate Professor and Director, Tulane Law Library

James E. Duggan came to Tulane Law School as Director of the Law Library in 2008, after twenty years as a Professor at Southern Illinois University School of Law Library. He holds a B.A. from Virginia Tech, M.L.I.S. from LSU, and a J.D. from the University of Mississippi. He is currently President of the American Association of Law Libraries, and has published articles on topics including legal research, legal issues related to computers, the internet, and technology.

Mini Elnaggar, M.D.

School of Medicine Assistant Professor of Clinical Radiology, Radiation Oncology

Dr. Elnaggar received a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from Iowa State University in 1988 and moved to Baton Rouge to work as a chemical engineer in Geismar, Louisiana. She worked as a process engineer and environmental engineer for several years. She then decided to pursue medicine and obtained her M.D. from Louisiana State University Medical Center in 2002. The following year she completed an internship at Tulane Medical Center and in 2007, completed

her residency in Radiation Oncology at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago, Illinois. She is currently an Assistant Professor in the department of Radiation Oncology at Tulane Cancer Center, where her interests include breast, gynecological, and prostate cancer treatment.

Faycal Falaky, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, French and Italian

Faycal Falaky received his doctorate from New York University in 2008. His main research interests focus on the figure of the "Oriental Other" in 17th and 18th century French literature and on the affective conception of law in the political theories of the period. He is also interested in topics such as Islam in France and the history of the Moroccan Language. He is currently working on a book-length study exploring how masochistic desire shaped Jean-Jacques Rousseau's political philosophy.

Jorg Fedtke, Ph.D.

School of Law

Professor and A.B. Freeman Professor in Civil Law

Professor Fedtke was educated at schools in Zambia, the Philippines, and Germany, where he went on to study law and political science at the University of Hamburg. He passed the German bar exam in 2000, received a Ph.D. summa cum laude for an analysis of constitutional transplants in South Africa's postapartheid transition, and went on to work as a full-time researcher at the Institute for Foreign and International Private Law and Law of Procedure. The main focus of his work was on comparative tort law and legal harmonization in Europe. He collaborated closely with the European Group on Tort Law and is a Fellow of the European Centre of Tort and Insurance Law in Vienna, Austria. Professor Fedtke joined University College London (UCL) two years later and was appointed Professor of Comparative Law in 2007. At UCL, Professor Fedtke was for many years involved in the admission of students and the development of academic ties with universities in

Europe, Australia, Hong Kong, and Singapore. He was Director of the Institute of Global Law from 2002 to 2008. In addition to his work in London. Professor Fedtke was a Visiting Professor at The University of Texas at Austin from 2003 to 2008 where he regularly taught upperclass courses on the European Union and comparative constitutional law. Professor Fedtke's main research interests are public law (both constitutional and administrative), tort law, and comparative methodology. He has provided advice on federalism, judicial review and human rights protection to members of the Iraqi National Assembly. On a number of occasions he served as a legal expert for U.N. and E.U. funded projects on various aspects of constitutionalism in the Arab region. Professor Fedtke has also been involved in collaborative research for the European Commission and the French Cour de Cassation, and has given expert evidence to the House of Lords Select Committee on the Constitution in the United Kingdom.

Christopher J. Fettweis, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, Political Science

Christopher J. Fettweis returned to Tulane following three years of teaching U.S. foreign policy and grand strategy at the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. He is the author of Losing Hurts Twice as Bad: The Four Stages to Moving Beyond Iraq (2008), Angell Triumphant: The International Politics of Great Power Peace (2009), and a number of articles in a variety of journals and newspapers. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Maryland in 2003.

Charles R. Figley, Ph.D.

School of Social Work

Professor and the Paul Henry Kurzweg MD Distinguished Chair in Disaster Mental Health

Charles R. Figley comes to Tulane University from the Florida State University, where he was the Director of Traumatology, a College of Social Work professor, and Fulbright Fellow. His teaching and research interests focus on psychosocial stress and resilience

in the wake of catastrophic adversity by individuals, families, communities, and societies. His publications are often trend- setters leading to new areas of inquiry and social services. Among these areas are Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), Systemic Trauma, Compassion Fatigue, Traumatology (psychosocial), and the Green Cross disaster response organization. In addition to publishing an average of four articles a year throughout his career, he has published twenty books including his latest two: Combat Stress Injury: Theory, Research, and Management (Routledge Press, co-edited with Marine Corps psychiatrist William Nash); and Compassion Fatigue in the Animal Care Community (co-authored by Robert Roop). He is currently working on a series of books focusing on stress and resilience among physicians (co-edited with Peter Huggard and Charlotte Rees), nurses (co-edited with CDR Jacqueline D. Rychnovsky and COL Veronica Thurmond), and social workers (co-edited with Brian Bride). He is editor of Traumatology (Sage Publications) and the Routledge Psychosocial Stress Series.

Michelle Foa, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, Art

Michelle Foa specializes in European art from the later eighteenth through the early twentieth centuries, with a particular focus on late nineteenth century French art and culture. She received her doctorate from Princeton University in 2008, and is currently working on a book on the Neo-Impressionist artist Georges Seurat. Other research and teaching interests include the relationship between art and sensory perception, nineteenth-century art criticism and aesthetics, and the history of photography. Prior to coming to Tulane, she taught at Mount Holyoke College, the University of Pennsylvania, and Princeton University.

Ivo Foppa, M.D., Sc.D.

School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine Assistant Professor, Epidemiology

Ivo M. Foppa received a Medical Degree (Diploma) in 1987 and Doctorate in Medicine (Dr. med.) in 1991 from the University of Bern, Switzerland. He completed his doctoral work in Epidemiology in 2001 at the Harvard School of Public Health, with his dissertation entitled "Emergence and Persistence Epidemiologic Aspects of Tick-Borne Zoonoses in Eastern Switzerland". Before coming to Tulane, Dr. Foppa was with the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Arnold School of Public Health, University of South Carolina.

Bouchaib Gadir, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Lecturer, French and Italian

Bouchaib Gadir holds the following degrees: B.A. degree in Arabic language and literature from Faculté des Lettres et des Sciences Humaines, Ben M'Sik, Casablanca; a D.E.A [Diplôme d'études approfondies] in Arabic Language and Literature from the University of Mohammed V in Rabat, Faculté des Lettres et des Sciences Humaines; a D.E.S. [Diplôme d'études supérieures] in Arabic Language and Literature from the University Hassan II, Faculté des Lettres et des Sciences Humaines, Casablanca; a Ph.D. in Francophone Studies from University of Louisiana at Lafayette. He worked as an Assistant Professor of Arabic at Virginia Military Institute from 2006 through 2008. He is a former board member of La Coordination des Chercheurs sur les Littératures Maghrébines et Comparées. His research focuses on language learning methods, Medieval Arabic literature, Polyphony in Modern Arabic novel and Identity and Exile in the Francophone Novel of the Maghreb.

Angela Gallegos, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts
Assistant Professor, Mathematics

Angela Gallegos is visiting Tulane during her pretenure sabbatical year from her home institution, Occidental College in Los Angeles, CA. She received her Ph.D. in 2005 from UC Davis where she also developed a fondness for triathlons.

Mary-Margaret Gleason, M.D.

School of Medicine

Assistant Professor, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Psychiatry and Neurology, Tulane Institute of Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health

Mary-Margaret Gleason is a board certified pediatrician and child and adolescent psychiatrist. She earned her M.D. at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University and did a residency in the "Triple Board" program at Brown University. After residency, she came to Tulane where she did a fellowship in Infant Psychiatry. Her interests include early childood mental health and the interface between primary care pediatrics and child mental health.

Tanya Goldman, J.D.

School of Law

Instructor in Legal Writing and Forrester Fellow

Tanya Goldman received a B.A. from Stanford University in 2003 and a J.D., cum laude, from Harvard Law School in 2006. Prior to joining the Legal Research & Writing faculty at Tulane Law School, Ms. Goldman served as a judicial clerk on the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana and worked at the Washington, D.C. office of the law firm King & Spalding. Ms. Goldman is a member of the California bar.

Antonio Gómez, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts

Assistant Professor, Spanish and Portuguese

Antonio Gómez received his Ph.D. in Latin American literature from the University of Pittsburgh. His research interests include the discourse of exile in Latin American intellectual history, documentary film, and the writing of recent history - especially the present rewriting of the sixties, and new cinematic poetics in Latin America. He has edited the volume Provisoriamente. Textos para Diamela Eltit (Beatriz Viterbo, 2007), and he is currently working on a book project on filmic renarrations of Argentine history of the sixties and seventies. His article "Releo mis papeles del pasado para escribir mi romance del porvenir: Respiración artificial y el programa de refundación del campo cultural argentino" is forthcoming in *Revista Iberoamericana*.

Sanda Beach Groome, J.D.

A. B. Freeman School of Business Professor of Practice, Legal Studies

After practicing law for fourteen years as a maritime attorney and teaching as an adjunct professor, Sanda Beach Groome chose to join the Faculty of the A.B. Freeman School of Business as a full time Professor of Practice.

Michelle Guidry, M.D.

School of Medicine Assistant Professor of Clinical Pediatrics

Michelle Guidry earned a B.S. in Psychology from Tulane University and continued her education at the State University of New York where she earned an M.D. She executed a residency in internal medicine at Tulane University, then later completed the Harvard University School of Public Health Summer Program in Clinical Effectiveness. Upon conclusion of a year as Chief Resident in Internal Medicine, Dr. Guidry joined the Tulane University Health Sciences Center and the Tulane University Medical School faculty in 2006. She has an appointment of Assistant Professor of Medicine

and works as a hospitalist where she is involved with both resident and medical student education. In the spring of 2008 she was appointed Quality Officer for the Tulane University Department of Internal Medicine and to the Tulane University Simulation Center and Patient Safety Team Training Committee. In the fall of 2008 she implemented her curriculum in quality improvement for internal medicine residents Dr. Guidry's research interests currently involve physician communication during transitions of care, improving resident proficiency in quality improvement and patient safety, mechanisms of patient safety culture emergence in medical communities, and the impact of the pharmaceutical industry's interaction with healthcare professionals.

Carole Haber, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts

Dean, School of Liberal Arts and Professor, History

Carole Haber specializes in American medical and social history, with particular interest in aging, insanity, and death in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. She received her B.A. in History from Washington University in St. Louis and her Ph.D. in American Civilization from the University of Pennsylvania. She previously served as Professor and Chair of the Department of History at the University of North Carolina-Charlotte and the Richards Professor and Chair of History at the University of Delaware. Along with numerous articles and book chapters, she has written or co-written three books: Beyond Sixty-Five: The Dilemma of Old Age in America's Past; Old Age and the Search for Security; Key Words in Sociocultural Gerontology. She serves as a Fellow of the Gerontological Society of America and as an Associate Fellow of the Institute on Aging at the University of Pennsylvania.

Benjamin Hall, Ph.D.

School of Science and Engineering Assistant Professor, Cell and Molecular Biology

Benjamin Hall graduated with his B.Sc. from McGill University in Montreal, Quebec and then completed his Ph.D. at Simon Fraser University in Vancouver, British Columbia. Following a Grass Summer Fellowship at the Marine Biological Laboratories in Woods Hole, Massachusetts, he went on to do postdoctoral work studying neocortical development at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore as well as the University of California, San Diego. His current research combines techniques in electrophysiology, molecular biology and mouse genetics to study cortical synapse development in relation to childhood neurodevelopmental disorders.

Stephen Hilger, M.F.A.

School of Liberal Arts Visiting Assistant Professor, Art

Stephen Hilger received his M.F.A. in 2003 from Columbia University's School of the Arts and participated in the Whitney Museum of American Art Independent Studies Program the following year. He has taught photography at Columbia University, New York University and Pace University. His photographs employ a documentary approach investigating notions of place and the social landscape. His work has been exhibited in galleries and museums throughout the United States and abroad.

Norman Horwitz, M.S.

School of Science and Engineering Professor of Practice, Engineering Physics

Norman Horwitz holds a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Pittsburgh and a M.S. in Industrial Management from the Polytechnic University of New York. He has worked as an industrial engineer for General Motors, Volvo, General Plastics, Westinghouse, and Worthington Corporation, among others. He has also taught as an Assistant Professor in Southern Illinois University's

Industrial Technology Department and served as Associate Dean of Business for Clinton Community College in New York.

Franca lorember, M.D., M.P.H.

School of Medicine Assistant Professor, Pediatrics

Franca Iorember completed her pediatric nephrology fellowship training at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio in June, 2008. Prior to this, she completed her pediatric residency at Morehouse School of Medicine and also obtained a graduate degree from The George Washington University, in Washington DC. Her research interests are in chronic kidney disease and she also enjoys teaching.

Yuki Kato, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, Sociology

Yuki Kato received her doctorate from the University of California, Irvine, in 2007. Her research interests and areas of expertise are urban sociology, social stratification, youth studies, and culture. Her dissertation examined the uses of public space by adolescents in a master-planned suburb in California. Dr. Kato is currently working on a project that explores the ways in which middle-class urban residents make sense of the neighborhood boundaries.

Damir Khismatullin, Ph.D.

School of Science and Engineering Associate Professor, Biomedical Engineering

Damir Khismatullin received his Ph.D. in Physics and Mathematics in 1998 from Bashkir State University (Ufa, Russia). He comes from Boston University, where for the past two years he served as the Associate Director of the Biomedical Engineering Computational Simulation Facility and a Research Assistant Professor of Biomedical Engineering. His previous positions include terms as Senior Research Scientist in the Department of Biomedical Engineering at Duke University and Research Assistant Professor in the Department of Mathematics at Virginia Tech.

DaeHo Kim, Ph.D.

School of Science and Engineering Assistant Professor, Physics and Engineering Physics

DaeHo Kim received his doctorate from Seoul National University at Seoul, Korea in 2003. He worked as a postdoctoral reseacher at Oak Ridge National Laboratory at Oak Ridge, Tennessee before joining Tulane University. His research interests cover hysteretic phenomena (electric and magnetic) in epitaxial films of complex metal-oxides; his expertise covers growth of the films, characterization of various properties, and fabrication of devices. After earning his B.S. in Physics Education, he understands how hard it is to become a good teacher.

Judith Kinnard, B.Arch.

School of Architecture Professor

Judith Kinnard has been committed to advancing architectural education throughout her career. After receiving her professional degree from Cornell University and interning in distinguished offices in Boston, she began her academic career at Syracuse University. She went on to teach at Princeton University and the University of Virginia. As Chair of the Department of Architecture at UVA from 1998-2003, she worked to strengthen its traditional emphasis on building design while engaging innovative technologies and cross disciplinary initiatives. In her design studios, she focuses on institutional programs and their creative engagement of physical and cultural context. Her current research involves the development of innovative approaches to low-rise/high-density housing for American cities. She has maintained an active commitment to practice and her numerous small-scale built commissions offer sensitive and innovative approaches to issues of site and program. Larger scale work has been pursued through proposals for more than a dozen national competitions focusing on urban institutions and housing. She has won four of these national design competitions and placed second in the New Housing New York Design Ideas Competition sponsored by the NYAIA and the City

Council in 2004. In 2006 she was named a finalist in the High Density on the High Ground Competition and a semi-finalist in the Global Green Competition for New Orleans. Most recently she won a Virginia AIA Design Award for a 24-unit mixed-income housing project, commissioned by a non-profit housing developer in Charlottesville. In 2004 she was awarded a Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects for leadership in architectural education.

Michael Korybut, J.D.

School of Law Visiting Professor

Professor Korybut is visiting Tulane from St. Louis University School of Law, where he has taught since 1999, twice receiving the Best Teacher of the Year award. He has also taught at Stanford Law School and Santa Clara University School of Law. After his graduation from Stanford Law School and prior to beginning his teaching career, he worked as an associate at two California law firms where he engaged in general business practice, specializing in secured transactions. As a law student, he served as Executive Editor of the Stanford Law Review. Professor Korybut's recent scholarship is in the area of commercial law, particularly Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code.

Lei Lai, Ph.D.

A. B. Freeman School of Business Assistant Professor, Organizational Behavior

Lei Lai received her Ph.D. in Organizational Behavior and Management from Carnegie Mellon University in 2008. Her research interests include gender differences in negotiations, the 'glass ceiling' faced by women and minorities, individualized employment contracts, and social networks.

J. Celeste Lay, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts
Assistant Professor, Political Science

J. Celeste Lay is returning to the department of political science at Tulane after two years in which she taught at Stonehill College in Massachusetts. She studies American political behavior, including campaigns, elections and voting behavior. Her current research focuses on political socialization. She earned her Ph.D. at the University of Maryland in 2004. She and her husband (also in political science) had a baby this summer.

Joseph H. LeBlanc, B.S., CPA, CISA, CDP

A. B. Freeman School of Business Professor of Practice, Finance and Director of the Trading Center

Joseph H. LeBlanc received his B.S. in Accounting and Computer Science from Loyola University in 1982 and is a Certified Pulic Accountant, a Certified Information Systems Auditor, and a Certified Data Processor. He joined Tulane as an adjunct professor in the spring of 2007 and then as a full-time Professor of Practice in July 2008. Mr. LeBlanc brings to Tulane over 25 years of experience in the oil and gas industry, most recently serving as treasurer and interim principle financial officer of Energy Partners, Ltd. where he was responsible for treasury, commodity marketing, hedging, and corporate planning activities. Mr. LeBlanc was also a Derivatives and Risk Trader for Shell Oil Company, Manager of Finance and Business Development for McMoRan Exporation Company, and held a variety of roles including Manager of Commodity Risk, Planning Coordinator, and Audit Coordinator for the Louisiana Land and Exploration Company.

Natali Leduc, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts

Visiting Assistant Professor, French and Italian

Natali Leduc explored "divagation" as a genre in her dissertation (Rice University). Her interests include French Canadian literature, the study of genres, language, Pataphysique, Oulipo, and creative writing.

Zhi Li, Ph.D.

A. B. Freeman School of Business Assistant Professor, Finance

Zhi Li received her Ph.D. degree from Arizona State University. Her research interests are empirical corporate finance, capital markets, and behavior finance. Her work has been published in the *Journal of Financial Economics*.

Jana Lipman, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, History

Jana Lipman received her B.A. from Brown University and her Ph.D. from Yale University. She was an Assistant Professor at St. Joseph's College in Brooklyn from 2006-2008. Her book, *Guantanamo: A Working-Class History Between Empire and Revolution*, will be published in 2008. Her research focuses on the intersection of labor and diplomatic history.

Joseph M. Matta, M.D.

School of Medicine Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychiatry

Joseph M. Matta received his medical degree from Cornell University Weill Medical College and did his residency training at New York-Presbyterian Hospital, Payne Whitney Clinic. His first three years out of residency were spent at St. Vincent Catholic Medical Center where he served as Unit Chief of an inpatient acute psychiatric unit.

Vidya Mave, M.D., MPH

School of Medicine

Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine

Vidya Mave completed her medical degree in 1997 at the Jawaharlal Medical College, Belgaum, Karnataka, India, and is a recent MPH graduate of the Tulane School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine. She is board certified in Internal Medicine and recently completed a fellowship in Infectious Disease at Tulane School of Medicine and the Long Island Jewish Medical Center in New York. Her research interests are HIV, transplant infections, and travel medicine.

Jennifer McGee, M.D.

School of Medicine Assistant Professor, Surgery

Jennifer McGee received her medical degree from East Tennessee State University, James H. Quillen College of Medicine and completed her general surgery residency at Tulane in 2006. She remained at Tulane after graduation, becoming a Clinical Instructor of Surgery and training in solid organ transplant research. Her academic interests include understanding racial and gender outcome disparities in kidney transplantation as well as improving technologies for solid organ storage.

Hao Mei, Ph.D.

School of Public Health & Tropical Medicine Assistant Professor, Epidemiology

Hao Mei received his Ph.D. in Statistics and Bioinformatics from North Carolina State University in 2007. For the past five years he has been doing research at the Center for Human Genetics of Duke University. His research interests are the development of methodology on statistical genetics and identification of genes causative to human disease.

Rebecca Metzinger, M.D.

School of Medicine Associate Professor, Ophthalmology

Rebecca Metzinger joined the Department of Ophthalmology at Tulane in July 2008. She is Chief of Ophthalmology at the Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care System. She served as team ophthalmologist for the New Orleans Hornets during the 2004-05 season. Dr. Metzinger received her B.S. in Biomedical Sciences in 1992 and her M.D. in 1995 through the integrated pre-medical/medical Inteflex Program at the University of Michigan. She completed an internship in general surgery in 1996 at the University of Maryland in Baltimore, MD. She also completed a post-doctoral research fellowship, a three-year residency in ophthalmology, and a fellowship in cornea and external eye diseases at the Tulane University School of Medicine. Dr. Metzinger's research interests include prevention of corneal transplant rejection, facial nerve regeneration, and immunosuppressants.

Emad Mirmotahari, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow, English

Emad Mirmotqhari received his Ph.D. in Comparative Literature from UCLA in 2008. His primary area of specialty is African literature with secondary fields of interest in Latin American literature and translation studies.

Andrew Morson, M.D.

School of Medicine Assistant Professor, Psychiatry and Neurology

Andrew Morson graduated from the University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center, then went on to do his residency in Adult Psychiatry at Tulane. After completing his residency he became a fellow in Forensic Psychiatry, also at Tulane. He currently works primarily in community mental health.

Adam Mysock, M.F.A.

School of Liberal Arts Professor of Practice, Art

Adam Mysock received his Bachelor of Fine Arts from Tulane University in 2004 and his Masters of Fine Arts from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale in 2007. Adam joins the faculty of the Newcomb Art Department after having spent the past year in southwestern Ohio, as an Adjunct Professor at Sinclair Community College in Dayton, Ohio and as the coordinator for the city of Cincinnati's mural program.

Bonnie Nastasi, Ph.D.

School of Science and Engineering Associate Professor, Psychology

Bonnie Kaul Nastasi received her undergraduate (1972) and master's (1978) degrees in Psychology from University of New Orleans, and her doctorate in School Psychology and Early Childhood Education (1986) from Kent State University. Dr. Nastasi is former Associate Director of the Center for Research Support and former Director of the School Psychology Doctoral Program at Walden University. Prior to joining Walden, she was Associate Director of Interventions at the Institute for Community Research in Hartford, CT, and served on the faculty at Illinois State University, University of Connecticut, and University at Albany, NY. Her areas of specialization are school and community mental health promotion and health risk prevention (drugs and sexual risk); mixed-method (qualitative-quantitative) research; and promoting school psychology internationally. She has worked in the South Asian countries of Sri Lanka and India since 1995. Dr. Nastasi has contributed to long-term recovery efforts to foster student adjustment and coping following natural disasters in Sri Lanka and New Orleans. She has published books, chapters and articles in refereed journals on topics related to her areas of specialization. Dr. Nastasi is a Fellow of the American Psychological Association (APA; Division 16-School Psychology), and was recently elected President of APA's Division 16. Dr. Nastasi is a native of New Orleans and returned to the city in 2007 after 25 years.

Aaron Nitzkin, Ph.D. Candidate

School of Liberal Arts Interdisciplinary Linguistics Program Visiting Assistant Professor, English

Aaron Nitzkin received his B.A. in Russian Language and Literature from the University of Michigan in 1991 and his M.A. in English Literature and Linguistics from the University of New Orleans in 1998. He completed his doctoral work in Interdisciplinary Linguistics at Tulane in 2008 and defends his dissertation this August. Aaron taught literature and composition at the University of New Orleans from 1996-2001, linguistics at Tulane from 2004-2006, linguistics and literature at California State Polytechnic in San Luis Obispo during 2006-2007, and 10th grade English at Lusher High School in New Orleans during 2007-2008. The linguistics Ph.D. he is receiving this fall from Tulane is interdisciplinary in psychology, anthropology, and philosophy. Aaron has been working on the cognitive and cultural semantics of language about emotion, thought, spirit, and other intangibles since 1996. He studies the semantic-syntax interface, etymology, conceptual metaphor, polysemy, and the application of linguistics to literature. His best languages are Russian, Chinese, and Swedish; his research languages include Old English, Swahili, and Yucatec Maya. He has published, has several works in-process, and will be revising his dissertation for publication as a book. His areas of specialization in literature are science-fiction and the gothic. He is also active in the field of consciousness studies and currently has an article in-process on cognitive phenomenology and the function of consciousness.

Scott Oldenburg, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, English

Scott Oldenburg's primary research interest is early modern English literature from a global perspective. He is particularly interested in cross-cultural encounters which show early modern subjects actively connecting with one another despite cultural and ethnic differences. He has published articles on early modern race theory, Shakespeare, Dutch acrobats, and headless people in early travel narratives.

Greg Oldham, Ph.D.

A. B. Freeman School of Business Professor

Greg Oldham received his Ph.D. in organizational behavior from Yale University. Prior to joining the Freeman School, he served as C. Clinton Spivey Distinguished Professor of Management and Associate Dean of Faculty in the College of Business at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Greg has written extensively on topics related to the design of work and work environments. His current research focuses on the contextual and personal conditions that prompt the development and expression of creative ideas in organizations. He is a former president of the Academy of Management and received the 2004 Distinguished Educator Award from the Academy.

David G. Ortiz Canseco, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, Sociology and Latin American Studies

David G. Ortiz specializes in cross-national research of violent and non-violent protests and their relationship with regime repression. His research interests include social movements, collective violence, time-diffusion of social processes, political sociology, and research methods. Dr. Ortiz was born in Mexico City and received his B.A. in International Affairs from the National Autonomous University of Mexico. He conducted his graduate studies in the United States

and holds an M.A. in International Peace Studies and a Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Notre Dame. His current work focuses on event history analyses of long and short term effects of contention, gap-time conditional risk set models for collective action and repression, comparative analyses of Latin American social movements, and media coverage of protests, demonstrations, and riots. Dr. Ortiz has also served as an international election observer in several elections throughout Latin America, including the 1994 Mexican elections with Alianza Civica, and the 2004 Venezuelan Referendum with the Carter Center and the OAS.

Jaime Palomino, M.D.

School of Medicine
Assistant Professor, Internal Medicine

Jaime Palomino received his medical degree from Universidad del Valle in Cali, Colombia in 1998. He finished his Internal Medicine Residency Training at NYU Downtown Hospital in New York City in 2004, and served as Chief Resident in the same institution from 2004 -2005. Dr. Palomino completed his fellowship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at Tulane University in 2008. His current research and clinical interests are in cell biology and early clinical diagnosis of lung cancer.

Jiaren Pang, Ph.D.

A. B. Freeman School of Business Visiting Assistant Professor, Finance

Jiaren Pang received his Doctorate from Washington University in St. Louis in 2007. He taught at SUNY-Buffalo before he joined Tulane in 2008. His research interests lie in financial markets and institutions, empirical asset pricing in conjunction with corporate finance, and macroeconomics.

Robert A. Pascal, Jr., Ph.D.

School of Science and Engineering Professor Bernard Villars Baus Chair in Chemistry

Robert A. Pascal, Jr., was born in New Orleans in 1954. He attended Louisiana State University where he ran track and graduated magna cum laude with a B.S. in Biochemistry. Entering Rice University on a NSF Predoctoral Fellowship, he studied demethylation reactions in cholesterol biosynthesis and received his Ph.D. (Biochemistry) in 1980. After two years as a NIH Postdoctoral Fellow at MIT (Chemistry), he joined the Chemistry faculty at Princeton as an Assistant Professor. He received an Alfred P. Sloan Fellowship in 1987, and he was promoted to Associate Professor in 1988 and to Professor in 1998. Dr. Pascal's principal research interests have been in the areas of biochemistry (enzyme mechanisms, design of enzyme inhibitors, and natural product biosynthesis) and physical organic chemistry (strained aromatic molecules, kinetic isotope effects, molecular association, and crystal engineering) with a recent emphasis on the latter. His chief pastimes are reading, running, cycling, and shooting; he has a financially unhealthy affinity for consumer electronics, and he is a sometime amateur astronomer and photographer.

Shannon Payne, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow, English

Shannon received her Ph.D. in English at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst in July 2008. She will be teaching a writing course on issues related to homelessness with narratives by and about homeless persons.

Noshir Pesika, Ph.D.

School of Science and Engineering Assistant Professor, Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering

Noshir Pesika received his B.S. degree in Chemical Engineering and French from Carnegie Mellon University in 1999. He then attended Johns Hopkins University and received a Ph.D. in Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering in 2005. For his doctoral thesis, "Self-assembled monolayers as capping agents and as a tunable resist for site-selective electrodeposition of patterned structures," he developed a novel method of creating micron-sized patterned structures over large areas. Dr. Pesika then joined the Chemical Engineering department at the University of California in Santa Barbara as a postdoctoral associate. His research focuses on fundamental and applied aspects of surface science in nanomaterial synthesis, surface functionalization and rheology, bio-inspired materials and electrochemistry.

William Phillips, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Visiting Assistant Professor, Economics

Professor Phillips taught for 26 years at the University of South Carolina before retiring in 2005. He has spent the last three years as a visiting instructor at the University of Georgia. He teaches international economics and economic history, with research interests in the economic development of the 19th century American South.

Philip Pucillo, J.D.

School of Law Visiting Associate Professor

After graduating Order of the Coif from Tulane Law School, Philip Pucillo completed several judicial clerkships, including clerkships with Judge Ronald Lee Gilman of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit in Memphis, Tennessee and Judge William B. Traxler, Jr. of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit in Greenville, South Carolina. He later worked

as a litigation associate with the law firm of Skadden, Arps in Washington, D.C. Phil's return to Tulane Law School as an instructor was preceded by his service on the faculty of Ave Maria School of Law in Ann Arbor, Michigan, where he taught Administrative Law, Appellate Practice, Evidence, Constitutional Litigation, Federal Courts, and Property. His recent publications (including one in the *Tulane Law Review*) are in the area of federal appellate practice, and he is currently researching several articles in the general area of federal jurisdiction. In addition to a J.D. from Tulane Law School, Phil holds an A.B. with honors from Lafayette College.

Don Richards, Ph.D.

School of Science and Engineering Visiting Professor

Don Richards joins Tulane for the fall semester as part of a sabbatical leave from Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology where he has been a faculty member for twenty years and is currently Professor of Mechanical Engineering. His research and teaching career has focused on various thermal-fluids topics. He received his B.S. at Kansas State University, his M.S. at Iowa State University, and his Ph.D. at Ohio State University. He is the co-author with Ken Wark of Thermodynamics, 6th ed., published by McGraw-Hill. For the last fifteen years, he has developed and taught an innovative, integrated, interdisciplinary curriculum for teaching the basic engineering sciences. While at Tulane, he is revising his textbook Basic Engineering Science - A Systems, Accounting and Modeling Approach and beginning work on a new integrated textbook for teaching thermodynamics, fluid mechanics, and heat transfer.

W. Benjamin Rothwell, M.D.

School of Medicine Instructor of Clinical Medicine

Benjamin Rothwell completed his B.S. at the University of Utah in 2000, and he completed his M.D. at Tulane University in 2004. He just completed an

Internal Medicine and Pediatrics residency at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, MA.

Alla Rosca

School of Liberal Arts Visiting Assistant Professor, Political Science

Alla Rosca comes to Tulane University from University of New Orleans, where she was a Fulbright Fellow at the Political Science Department. She received her doctorate (1992) and Doctor Habilitat (2004) in political science from Moldova State University. She has published two books and articles in different journals in Moldova, Romania, Hungary and Belgium. In addition to her academic work, Alla Rosca was a Project Director of NATO Center in Moldova, and the Expert of Evaluation at the Ministry of Education in Moldova. Her research interest and areas of expertise are focused on the comparative democratization, nation and state building processes and the role of media in the transitional period. She is a passionate reader and amateur photographer.

Raul Ruiz, Ph.D.

A. B. Freeman School of Business Visiting Assistant Professor, Behavior/Marketing

Raul Ruiz has a B.S.A. and an M.B.A. from Tecnologico de Monterrey, Mexico, and a Ph.D. in marketing from Tulane University. His professional experience includes working on managerial positions at different companies in Mexico (banks, construction firms, and print media) as well as working in consulting projects in management and marketing. He works as a full-time Professor of the Marketing Department at Tecnologico de Monterrey, where he has been teaching several marketing courses since 1990. He also has been invited to teach to universities in Mexico and Central America. His research interests include the effect of practical intelligence and motivational variables on salespeople and selling teams' performance and, in a future research line, to study performance in online environments.

Philipp Sack, M.D.

School of Medicine
Associate Professor of Clinical Psychiatry

1993-2001 MD and Doctoral Thesis at Ludwig-Maximilians and Technische University in Munich, Germany. 2001-06 Combined Internal Medicine/Psychiatry Residency at Tulane. 2006-07 Cardiovascular Training at Tulane.

Kaya Sahin, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, History

Kaya Sahin received his Ph.D. in Islamic/Middle Eastern History from the University of Chicago in 2007. He was the Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow in Middle Eastern Studies at Northwestern's History Department in 2007-2008. During his graduate studies, Dr. Sahin worked extensively on the history of the Ottoman Empire and the Middle East, as well as the history of medieval and early modern Europe. In his dissertation he discussed history writing, bureaucracy, and empire building during the reign of the Ottoman sultan Suleiman I (r. 1520-1566). Sahin's areas of interest include historiography, the history of ideas, apocalypticism / messianism, and the history of empires.

Matt Sakakeeny, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, Music

Matt Sakakeeny has lived and worked in New Orleans since 1997. His research explores the intersection of music with race, economics, and politics, particularly in the performance of African American music. His dissertation, "Instruments of Power: New Orleans Brass Bands and the Politics of Performance," considers the brass band as a powerful symbol of local black culture. Research in New Orleans was facilitated by a fieldwork grant from the National Science Foundation and a writing fellowship from the Whiting Foundation. Matt first moved to New Orleans as the co-producer of the public radio program American

Routes and has also filed reports for public radio's "All Things Considered," "Marketplace," and WWOZ's "Street Talk." He is also a volunteer for the Roots of Music afterschool music program.

Raul Sanchez Urribarri, Ph.D. Candidate School of Liberal Arts

Visiting Assistant Professor, Political Science

Raul Sanchez Urribarri received a law degree from Universidad Catolica Andres Bello, Caracas, Venezuela, in 1997, and an LL.M. from Cambridge University in 1999. He is currently completing his doctoral work in Political Science at the University of South Carolina, Columbia, specializing in Comparative Politics and American Politics (Public Law). His research focuses on Judicial Politics in comparative perspective, with an emphasis on Latin America. In his dissertation, he analyzes the influence of the links between political actors and judges on judicial decision-making in the courts of selected Latin American countries.

Oliver Sartor, M.D.

School of Medicine

Piltz Professor for Cancer Research, Department of Medicine; Tulane Cancer Center

Oliver Sartor received his MD from Tulane University with honors in 1982. After internship at the University of Pennsylvania, he trained in Internal Medicine at Tulane Medical School. After completing fellowship at the National Cancer Institute (NCI) in Bethesda. Maryland in 1989, he served until 1993 as a Senior Investigator at the NCI and began focusing on novel therapeutics for advanced prostate cancer patients. He returned to Louisiana in 1993 to serve as an Associate Professor at the LSU Medical School in Shreveport and then moved to the LSU Health Sciences Center in New Orleans in 1998 as the Patricia Powers Strong Professor of Oncology, Stanley S. Scott Cancer Center Director, and Hematology/Oncology Section Chief. He was the Co-Director of the Louisiana Cancer Research Consortium, starting at its legislative inception in 2002. In March 2006, he left LSU to join

the Lank Center for Genitourinary Oncology at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute and the Harvard Medical School. He started at Tulane as the Piltz Professor of Cancer Research in the Departments of Medicine and Urology in January, 2008. Dr. Sartor's interests have focused broadly on prostate cancer, predominantly in those patients who failed initial therapies. His publications range from genetic studies on prostate cancer to clinical trials involving novel agents He has been a lead author on two studies pivotal for FDA drug approval in prostate cancer and has been the PI or co-PI on a number of prospective international clinical trials evaluating new therapies for patients with advanced prostate cancer He has published over 100 scholarly articles, is the Medical Oncology Co-Chair of the Radiation Therapy Oncology Group (RTOG) Genitourinary Committee, is the Co-Editor in Chief of the peer-reviewed journal Clinical Genitourinary Cancer, and will serve as Chairman of the Department of Defense Prostate Cancer Integration Panel in 2008-2009.

Peter Scharf, Ph.D.

School of Public Health & Tropical Medicine Research Professor, International Health and Development

Prior to being appointed as a Research Professor of Public Health and Tropical Medicine at the Tulane School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, Dr. Peter Scharf was for 13 years Executive Director and Founder of the Center for Society, Law, and Justice at the University of New Orleans. He also spent two years at Texas State University (2006-7) where he was a Foundations of Excellence Award winner. He recently has been invited to give a Nobel Presentation in Sweden regarding his work in the prevention of violent crime sponsored by CISCO Systems and the City of Stockholm and has worked with the US House Judiciary Crime Sub-Committee working on new legislation to prevent violence. Prior to joining UNO in 1995 he served as the Director of Technology and Technical Assistance at the Police Foundation in Washington D.C. where he helped found the BJA Community Policing Consortium, developed the

Risk Assessment Management System, and served as a primary consultant to the Governor's Report on the Crown Heights Civil Disorder. Dr. Scharf received his doctoral degree from Harvard University (Lawrence Kohlberg dissertation advisor; "Moral Atmosphere in the Prison") and is the author of eight published books including Badge and the Bullet, Towards a Just Correctional System, and Justice Information Performance Measures and numerous articles, book chapters, and technical reports. The Center for Society, Law and Justice (CSLJ) has managed over 8 million dollars in projects funded by the Department of Justice including Managing Criminal Justice Technologies, Art of Performance Measures, Gunshot Detection, PSN Assessment of the EDLA, Managing Law Enforcement Integrity, and a study of PREA prison rape risk factors and is working on an evaluation of new programs within the Texas Youth Commission. Dr. Scharf has been the subject of major media coverage related to violent crime and murder including the History Channel, PBS, NPR, BBC, NBC, ABC Nightline, NY Times, WA Post, CBS, Danish, German, Italian TV, Time, etc. He is currently conducting research related to the control of murder and violent crime risk, prison rape patterns, and new technologies new with the potential of reducing homicide risks.

Aaron Schneider, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, Latin American Studies and Political Science

Aaron Schneider joined the Tulane faculty in January 2008 after six years in the U.K., where he taught at the Institute of Development Studies at the University of Sussex. He is interested in issues of political economy, state-building, and popular mobilization, and he has conducted research in Brazil, Central America, India, and Africa. He is particularly interested in developing country response to global economic pressures, especially the challenge of building capable states responsive to the poor and underprivileged.

Kenneth Schwartz, M.Arch II, M.Arch. in Urban Design

School of Architecture Professor and Dean

Kenneth Schwartz, FAIA comes to Tulane University from the University of Virginia where he was a professor of architecture, former department chair and associate dean, and chair of the Faculty Senate. He has over twenty-seven years of teaching and practice experience in architecture, preservation, urban design, and community planning. As a founding principal of CP+D (Community Planning + Design) and Schwartz-Kinnard, Architects, he has won five national design competitions exploring the constructive force that progressive urbanism and architecture can play in rebuilding cities. In addition to his design work, Mr. Schwartz has served as a planning commissioner and member of the Board of Architectural Review for the City of Charlottesville, focusing on design and preservation issues in the community. Mr. Schwartz served on the University of Virginia Master Planning Committee and the Art and Architecture Review Board for the Commonwealth of Virginia. He is a past President of the National Architecture Accrediting Board and recent board member of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture. Schwartz was awarded UVA's Alumni Association Distinguished Professor Award, the university's highest teaching honor given to one faculty member each year. Mr. Schwartz is pleased to be continuing his life's work as educator, architect, and engaged citizen at the Tulane School of Architecture.

Dan Sharp, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, Music

Dan Sharp completed his graduate work at the University of Texas at Austin, receiving a Ph.D. in ethnomusicology with a doctoral portfolio in cultural studies in 2006, and an M.A. in Latin American studies in 2001. His research and teaching interests include ethnomusicology; cultural studies of popular music; nostalgia, cultural citizenship

and the performance of roots; and critical issues surrounding ethnographic writing and recording. His ethnographic field research focuses on musicians from the arid interior of Northeast Brazil, a region cloaked in nostalgia and renowned as historically unique, artistically pivotal, and economically marginalized (not unlike New Orleans).

Sergey Shevkoplyas, Ph.D.

School of Science and Engineering Assistant Professor and the Ken and Ruth Arnold Early Career Professor in Biomedical Engineering

Sergey Shevkoplyas received his B.Sc. (1998) and M.Sc. (2000) in Applied Mathematics and Physics from Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology (Russia). He received his Ph.D. in Biomedical Engineering from Boston University in 2005 and completed his postdoctoral fellowship in the Department of Chemistry and Chemical Biology at Harvard University with Prof. George M. Whitesides. His research interests include the application of microfabrication and nanotechnology to biomedicine, the dynamics of blood flow in microvascular networks, biomedical microdevices and lab-on-a-chip technology, biomimetics, biohybrid materials, and biomechanics of contractile tissues.

Jay Shimshack, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Assistant Professor, Economics

Jay Shimshack holds a Ph.D. in agricultural and resource economics from the University of California, Berkeley (2002) and a B.S. in business marketing and management from Cornell University (1995). Before coming to Tulane, he was an assistant professor of economics at Tufts University and held a visiting position at the Donald Bren School of Environmental Science and Management at UC Santa Barbara. His areas of specialization are environmental economics, applied microeconomics, and public policy. Specific areas of expertise include corporate environmental performance, health and the environment, and the economics of information.

Ekundayo Shittu, Ph.D. Candidate

A. B. Freeman School of Business Visiting Assistant Professor, Information Management

Ekundayo Shittu received his Bachelor of Engineering degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Ilorin in Nigeria and his M.S. in Industrial Engineering from the American University in Cairo, Egypt, in 2003. Currently, he is finishing his Ph.D. in Industrial Engineering and Operations Research at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst and expects to graduate in December 2008. He received the African Graduate Fellowship in 2002 to study at the American University in Cairo. He benefitted from a DOE grant on the study of the prospects of alternative energy sources for the future. In the summer of 2008, he was at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis in Austria on the institute's prestigious threemonth long Young Scientists Summer Program. His research interests include technology management and entrepreneurship, economic decision making, stochastic modeling of environmental policy and technological change, optimal investment decisions under uncertainty, and the theory of environmental policy.

Christine Smith, C.P.A.

A. B. Freeman School of Business Professor of Practice, Accounting and Taxation

Christine Smith comes to the A.B. Freeman School of Business as a Professor of Practice with ten years of experience both in the public acounting (Big Four and local) and industry arenas. As a Tulane alumna, she is thrilled to be on campus again.

Nick Spitzer, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts
Professor, American Studies and Communication

Folklorist Nick Spitzer is professor of communication and American studies at Tulane University, where he began as a Mellon fellow in 2004. He is adjunct research professor in anthropology and urban studies at University of New Orleans. A Penn graduate, Spitzer

received his Ph.D. in anthropology from the University of Texas in 1986. His interests include Gulf Coast ethnography, cultural creolization, American vernacular music/culture, and public cultural policy. Nick is creator of American Routes, the weekly two-hour radio program devoted to vernacular music and culture, coproduced with Tulane and distributed by American Public Media. He has been a commentator/producer for NPR's "All Things Considered" and "Fresh Air," PBS's "Great Performances," CBS's "Sunday Morning," and ABC's "Nightline" and "Evening News with Peter Jennings." Spitzer directed the film Zydeco: Creole Music and Culture in Rural Louisiana (1986), and has produced or annotated two dozen documentary recordings. He served as founding director of the Louisiana Folklife Program, and edited "Louisiana Folklife: A Guide to the State" (1985), and "Mississippi Delta Ethnographic Overview" (1979) for the National Park Service. Spitzer helped create the Folklife Pavilion at the 1984 World's Fair where he curated The Creole State: An Exhibition of Louisiana Folklife (1984-2004). He became senior folklife specialist at the Smithsonian (1985-1990) and artistic director of the Folk Masters concert/broadcasts from Carnegie Hall and Wolf Trap (1990-97) and the Independence Day concerts broadcast from the National Mall (1992-2001). In 2002, Nick led a curatorial team for 'Raised to the Trade': Creole Building Arts of New Orleans at New Orleans Museum of Art. He is co-editor of *Public Folklore* (1992, 2007) and co-author of Blues for New Orleans: Mardi Gras and America's Creole Soul (2006). A resident scholar at the School of American Research in Santa Fe and a Fellow of the American Folklore Society, Spitzer received the Benjamin Botkin Award in Public Folklore, an ASCAP-Deems Taylor Award for American Routes, and was named Louisiana Humanist of the Year in 2006 for cultural recovery efforts after the catastrophe. In 2007 Nick was a Guggenheim fellow working on traditional creativity in Louisiana Creole communities.

Ronald Stein, J.D.

School of Medicine Instructor of Clinical Surgery

Ronald Stein received his Juris Doctorate and Master's of Health Administration from Tulane University in 1991. He practiced law full-time prior to entering the nursing profession in 1998. He received a Master of Science in Nursing from Loyola University New Orleans in 2007 and is a licensed and nationally certified adult nurse practitioner.

Thomas Stranova, Jr., Sc.D., M.H.A.

School of Public Health & Tropical Medicine Clinical Assistant Professor, Health Systems Management

T.J. Stranova received his Doctor of Science (ScD) and his Master of Health Administration (MHA) degrees from Tulane University and his undergraduate degree from Tufts University where he majored in History while also earning a Certificate in Community Health. Prior to joining the Tulane faculty, Dr. Stranova held leadership positions with New Orleans-based Ochsner Health System and Tulane University Hospital & Clinic. Dr. Stranova also has experience in health care policy having spent several years as a policy analyst for Paralyzed Veterans of America, a non-profit advocacy group in Washington, DC. His research interests focus on the relationships between academic teaching hospitals and their associated medical schools and include organizational structures/theory, governance, strategic decision making, leadership effectiveness, and market development.

Kyle Straub, Ph.D.

School of Science and Engineering Assistant Professor, Earth and Environmental Sciences

Kyle graduated with his B.S. from Penn State University in 2002 and then completed his Ph.D. at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, Massachusetts (2007). Since completing his Ph.D. he has done postdoctoral work studying river deltas at the National Center for Earth-surface Dynamics at Saint Anthony Falls Laboratory, University of Minnesota. Kyle's research focuses on the transport of sediment from land through the ocean and into the stratigraphic record. He examines sediment transport using a combination of remote sensing techniques, carefully designed laboratory experiments, field studies of modern and ancient sediment transport systems, and targeted numerical analysis and modeling.

Juan Tucker, Ph.D. Candidate

School of Medicine Instructor of Surgery, ECMO Coordinator, Tulane University Pediatric Heart Center

Juan Tucker arrived at Tulane University from Arkansas Children's Hospital where he served as Assistant Chief of Cardiovascular Perfusion. His academic affiliations include the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska and Midwestern University in Scottsdale, Arizona. He completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Arkansas Medical Science Center and the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff. Graduate studies were completed at Ochsner Medical Foundation and the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Maki Urushihara, M.D., Ph.D.

School of Medicine Visiting Assistant Professor, Physiology

Maki Urushihara received his doctorate from Tokushima University, Japan in 2002, where he has been teaching for the past three years. His research interests are renal physiology and pediatric nephrology. Dr. Urushihara is currently working on the investigation of renin-angiotensin system in kidney disease.

Dion van Niekerk, M.F.A.

School of Liberal Arts
Professor of Practice, Theatre and Dance

Dion comes from South Africa where he trained in a number of theatre disciplines, including acting and directing. He has participated in over 50 theatrical productions over the last 18 years as either an actor, director, writer or designer. Dion obtained a M.A. in Drama from Rhodes University in South Africa, specialising in Educational Drama and Theatre. He also lectured at Rhodes for over 13 years. A growing interest in design for the theatre brought him to Tulane where he completed a M.F.A. in the Department of Theatre and Dance in 2006. After a two-year stint teaching, performing, directing and designing in South Africa, he returns to Tulane as a Professor of Practice.

Rachel E. Vincent-Finley, Ph.D.

School of Science and Engineering Visiting Assistant Professor, Mathematics

Rachel E. Vincent-Finley completed her Ph.D. in May 2005 in Computational and Applied Mathematics at the George R. Brown School of Engineering at Rice University under the direction of Dr. Danny C. Sorensen. Dr. Vincent-Finley recently completed a postdoctoral appointment under the direction of Dr. B. Montgomery Pettitt in the Institute for Molecular Design in the Department of Chemistry at the University of Houston. Her general research interests include numerical analysis, particularly numerical linear algebra, and her current research focuses on a problem in biomolecular dynamics. Her previous community participation includes mentoring in the Enhancing Diversity in Graduate Education program and the Alliances for Graduate Education in the Professoriate program at Rice University. In addition to her research interests Dr. Vincent-Finley enjoys baking, knitting, and jogging.

He Wang, Ph.D.

School of Public Health & Tropical Medicine Assistant Professor of Environmental Health Sciences; Occupational Health; Tulane Cancer Center

He Wang received his doctorate from the University of Sydney, Australia in 1998 and completed his postdoctoral research in 2003 in University of New South Wales. During the period from 2003 to 2007, he was senior lecturer in Occupational Health in Adelaide University. His research interest is environmental respiratry disorders. Currently, he is leading a research team to study the risk factors of lung cancer development.

Kenneth Weiss, LL.M. J.D.

School of Law Visiting Assistant Professor

Professor Weiss obtained his B.A. and J.D. degrees from Tulane and his LL.M (in Taxation) from George Washington University. He is visiting at Tulane from the law firm of McGlinchey Stafford PLLC where he is a member of the firm and heads the Trusts and Estates practice. He has been an adjunct professor of law at Tulane since 1987 and served as an adjunct professor of law at LSU from 2000 to 2008.

Shad Willingham, M.F.A.

School of Liberal Arts Visiting Professor, Theatre and Dance

Shad Willingham, a California native, comes to Tulane from Ashland, Oregon. During the last five years, Shad has appeared in more than twenty productions as a member of the acting company of the Oregon Shakespeare Festival. Shad received his B.F.A. from the North Carolina School of the Arts in 1990. Since that time Shad has performed in regional theatres throughout the U.S. and abroad. He has toured through Russia, Holland, Germany, and London. Over the last two decades, Shad has studied with Alan Rickman, Ben Kingsley, Jane LaPotaire, Oleg Tabakov, Rosemary Harris, Nicholas Martin and Jon Jory. He attended The British-American Drama

Academy (Oxford) and The Moscow Art Theatre. In 2002, Shad received his M.F.A. from the University of Washington. Shad has taught Voice & Speech, Stage Combat, Acting, and even tap dance with Southern Oregon University, The University of Washington, Luther Burbank School for the Performing Arts, and the Old Globe Theatre in San Diego. Shad is a contributing writer, director, and performer with the education department of the Oregon Shakespeare Festival (the largest of its kind). He has performed in and taught for hundreds of elementary, middle, and high schools up and down the west coast. In addition to being a member of Actor's Equity Association, the Screen Actors Guild, and The Voice And Speech Trainers Association, Shad is certified with the Society of American Fight Directors and he is a "Gold-Star" certified stunt performer with the United Stuntman's Association. This summer Shad performed the role of LEO in the west coast premiere of Ken Ludwig's LEADING LADIES with the 6th Street Playhouse, Santa Rosa, CA.

Michael Wood, Ph.D.

School of Liberal Arts Professor of Practice, Asian Studies

Michael Wood began his graduate work in the Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures at the University of Oregon, with an interest in classical Japanese women's diary and tale literature. His master's degree culminated in a study of Sei Shonagon and her literary production as an alternative and gendered version of history. After beginning a doctoral program in Japanese literature in 1999, Michael's interest shifted to 18th and 19th century Japanese cultural production and historiography. He spent several years, before and during graduate school in Japan, including a twoyear period in history graduate programs at Tokyo University and Meiji University. Michael Wood has spent the greater part of the last eight years carrying out research on the stories of Japanese sailors and fisherman who drifted throughout the Pacific during the 18th and 19th centuries. During this time, he also served as a Teaching Fellow at the University of Oregon and a Visiting Instructor at Oregon State

University. Most recently, he has returned from working and teaching in the Department of Law and Politics at Hokkaido University (full-time) and the Department of Cultural Studies at Fuji Women's University (part-time) in Sapporo, where he began his most recent research project on the culture and history of Japanese North Pacific colonial relations. He has published articles in both Japanese and English, and is now concentrating on turning his dissertation "Literary Subjects Adrift: A Cultural History of Early Modern Japanese Castaway Narratives" into a Japanese and English book manuscript. He is thrilled to be at Tulane University, where he is currently teaching Japanese language and Asia-related courses.

Ming Yang, Ph.D.

School of Science and Engineering Visiting Assistant Professor, Mathematics

Ming Yang received her Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1999. Her area of research is in probability theory and stochastic processes. Ming spent a year as a postdoctoral research scientist at the Center for Applied Probability, Columbia University, then took a position as an assistant professor at the University of Michigan in 2000. Ming stayed in Ann Arbor for about a year. In 2007, she had a position of visiting assistant professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign until June 2008.

Zongbing You, M.D., Ph.D.

School of Medicine

Assistant Professor, Structural and Cellular Biology Tulane Cancer Center, LCRC; Tulane Center for Aging

Zongbing You received his M.D. and Ph.D. from the West China University of Medical Sciences, Chengdu, China. After a two-year postdoctoral fellowship, Dr. You joined the faculty of the Beijing Medical University First Hospital, where he practiced gynecologic oncology. In 1998, Dr. You joined the University of Freiburg, Freiburg, Germany, as a research scientist to investigate adenovirus-mediated cancer gene therapy. In 2000, he moved to the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, as a research fellow focusing on molecular signaling and apoptosis

in cancer. In 2003, Dr. You joined the faculty of the University of California Davis as an adjunct instructor and then an adjunct assistant professor in the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, working on interleukin-17RC and prostate cancer. In 2008, Dr. You joined the faculty of the Tulane University Health Sciences Center as an assistant professor in the Department of Structural and Cellular Biology. Dr. You's current research focuses on the role of interleukin-17 family (cytokines and their receptors) in prostate inflammation and cancer initiation and progression. The long-term goals of his research are to provide new methods in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of prostate cancer. Dr. You's teaching duties include gross anatomy and graduate courses.

Haitao Zhang, Ph.D.

School of Medicine Assistant Professor, Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

Haitao Zhang graduate from Roswell Park Cancer Institute with a Ph.D. in Experimental Pathology in 2000. He remained at the same institute for his postdoctoral trainings He also received a M.S. in computer science from the State University of New York at Buffalo in 2001. Dr. Zhang was a research scientist at the Department of Cancer Chemoprevention at Roswell Park since 2003 and was promoted to Assistant Professor in 2005. He joined the faculty of Tulane University Health Sciences Center as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine in 2008 Dr. Zhang's research interest is on prostate cancer prevention and therapy.

Rubin Zhang, M.D. FASN

School of Medicine Associate Professor, Internal Medicine

Rubin Zhang completed his Internal Medicine residency and Nephrology fellowship at Tulane and served as an faculty member at LSUHSC before returning to Tulane.