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TO: Boston University Deans, Faculty and Staff

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SUBJECT: 2013-2014 Career Development Professorship Awardees

Each year, Boston University has the pleasure of recognizing a handful of talented junior educators emerging as future leaders within their respective fields through the award of Career Development Professorships. Made possible through the generous support of BU Trustees Peter Paul, Stuart Pratt and his wife Elizabeth, Richard Reidy and his wife Minda, and the estate of BU School of Medicine alumnus Ralph Edwards, these professorships are presented to promising junior faculty who have been at BU for no more than two years and have held no prior professorships.

The awards highlight the caliber, potential, and continued vitality of Boston University's diverse faculty and include a three-year, non-renewable stipend designed to support scholarly or creative work, as well as a portion of the recipients' salaries. Nominations are submitted by the academic deans, and awardees are selected by the Office of the Provost. Peter Paul Career Development Professorships are awarded University-wide; while the Stuart and Elizabeth Pratt Career Development Professorship highlights excellence within the College of Arts and Sciences; the Reidy Family Career Development Professorship recognizes faculty members in the College of Engineering and the School of Management; and the Ralph Edwards Career Development Professorship is focused specifically within the School of Medicine. In coming days, we will announce recipients, as well, of the Innovation Career Development Professorship – junior faculty members whose research is likely to lead to future licensed technology.

This year's Career Development Professorship recipients have been cited for their extraordinary accomplishments in their areas of study, their passion for the creation and transmission of knowledge, and their efforts to enhance the student experience. I am delighted to announce that this year's Peter Paul, Stuart and Elizabeth Pratt, Reidy Family, and Ralph Edwards Career Development Professors are:

Peter Paul Career Development Professorship

- **John Marston, Ph.D.**
Assistant Professor of Archaeology, College of Arts & Sciences

John Marston studies the long-term sustainability of agriculture and land use, especially in the Mediterranean and western Asia, focusing on how people make decisions about land use within changing economic, social, and environmental settings. He received his doctorate and Master's degrees in Archaeology from UCLA and his Bachelor's degree from Washington University (St. Louis).

- **Tyler Perrachione, Ph.D.**
Assistant Professor of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences, College of Health & Rehabilitative Sciences: Sargent College
Tyler Perrachione's highly translational research integrates basic science and clinical approaches to treat developmental disorders of language, learning and reading, specifically in the area of dyslexia. He holds a doctorate in Neuroscience from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and received his Master's and Bachelor's degrees in Linguistics and Cognitive Science from Northwestern University.
- **Erin Reid, Ph.D.**
Assistant Professor of Organizational Behavior, School of Management
Erin Reid studies gender inequality and identity dynamics in work settings, focusing on how men and women cope with the time demands of work and the implications of their coping mechanisms on both their personal lives and workplaces. She received her doctorate in Organizational Behavior and Sociology from Harvard and holds Master's degrees from both Harvard and Queen's University in Kingston, Canada, and a Bachelor's degree from McMaster University in Hamilton, Canada.

Stuart and Elizabeth Pratt Career Development Professorship

- **Cornel Ban, Ph.D.**
Assistant Professor of International Relations, College of Arts & Sciences
Cornel Ban's extensive scholarship and writings on international economics range from the economic aspects of transnational migration to the political economy of crises (including the interaction between international and domestic actors), the latter of which he examines in an upcoming book. He received his doctorate in Political Science from the University of Maryland and holds a Master's degree from the University of Delaware and a Bachelor's degree from Babes-Bolyai University in Romania.

Reidy Family Career Development Professorship

- **Nachiketa Sahoo, Ph.D.**
Assistant Professor of Information Systems, School of Management
Nachiketa Sahoo's interdisciplinary research melds computer science and social science in the joint exploration of personalized information filtering and the extraction of valuable data from social media content. He holds a Ph.D. in Information Systems and Management from Carnegie Mellon University, a Master's degree in Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining from Carnegie Mellon, and a Bachelor's degree from the Indian Institute of Technology in Kharagpur, India.

Ralph Edwards Career Development Professorship

- **Hui Feng, Ph.D.**

Assistant Professor Pharmacology and Medicine, School of Medicine

As Director of the Laboratory of Zebrafish Genetics and Cancer Therapeutics, Hui Feng's research program focuses on identifying novel therapeutic targets for MYC-related cancers, which account for about 70 percent of all human cancers. A graduate of Beijing Medical University, she received her Master's degree in Cardiovascular Pharmacology from Peking Union Medical College, her doctorate in Cellular Biology from the University of Georgia, and her postdoctoral training at Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

Please join me in congratulating these talented educators for this achievement, and in wishing them the best of luck with their teaching and research in the years ahead.

Cc: Robert A. Brown
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