Faculty Recognition Award Recipients AY 2023–2024

Kroepsch-Maurice Excellence in Teaching Awards
   Associate Professor, and Professor)receives this honor.

The AY 2023–2024 award recipients are:

- **Lecturer Glenn Levine-West, Ph.D.**, Program in German, Russian, and Hebrew, School of World Languages and Cultures, College of Arts and Sciences
  Glenn Levine-West's research interests are applied linguistics, foreign language pedagogy, language and German, literature, multilingualism, student linguistics, German, very passionate, Yiddish of the most dedicated, professors to helping students understand the materials they are learning. He is a good communicator with great classroom management and excellent teaching skills, and he clearly makes an effort to create an engaging, inclusive, safe, and encouraging classroom.

- **Assistant Professor Nicole Conroy, Ph.D.**, Department of Counseling, Human Development and Family Science, College of Education and Social Services
  Nicole Conroy's research and teaching center on the contextual and transactional nature of human development and relationships, with a focus on strengths-based perspectives to promote positive development and healthy relationships. She has taught courses on power and interpersonal violence, human sexuality, research methods, apply theories, and human development, and colleague. "Nicole's record of teaching is exemplary and consistently receives some of the highest teaching evaluation scores in the department. The quality of her teaching in her classes the standards set forth by UVM and over 1,650 students have come to appreciate through her teaching in her classes.

- **Associate Professor Kate Nolfi, Ph.D.**, Department of Philosophy, College of Arts and Sciences
  Kate Nolfi's primary research interests lie at the intersection of epistemology, metaethics, and the philosophy of mind. Her research investigates What does it take to have, beliefs that are justified, or to believe rationally? and, 3) Why should we care about whether our beliefs are justified, or whether we appreciate thinking that take advantage of and the participants in Smith, Nolfi's students feel professional possible."

- **Professor Tyler Doggett, Ph.D.**, Department of Philosophy, College of Arts and Sciences

Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award

The Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award recognizes a faculty member who has achieved excellence in displaying and enacting responsiveness, availability, concern, respect, and depth of knowledge in undergraduate academic advising. This award is a collaboration of the Office of the Provost, the Faculty Senate Student Affairs Committee, and the Student Government Association.

The AY 2023–2024 award recipient is:

- **Assistant Professor Dana Rowangould, Ph.D.**, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, College of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences
  Dana Rowangould is an excellent teacher and advisor whose research draws from engineering, transportation and land use policy and planning, transportation justice, energy use, transportation accessibility, air quality, and health. She purposefully and thoughtfully connects her students in a way that puts them in a position to succeed. The sense of community and collaborative atmosphere she creates within her research group enhances the educational experience she provides her students with the space and opportunity to succeed. To quote one of her students, "…Dr. Rowangould's attentiveness and willingness to have in-depth and wide-ranging conversations with her students helps us to explore our interests more freely. It is through many of these conversations with Dr. Rowangould that I have been able to more deeply explore my interests in transportation and related fields, and I am fairly certain that many of her other advisees feel the same."

Outstanding Part-time Faculty Teaching Award

The Outstanding Part-time Faculty Teaching Award, presented annually, honors and recognizes the teaching contributions of faculty that teaches part-time.

The AY 2023–2024 award recipient is:

- **Lecturer II Katherine Elmer, M.S.**, Department of Plant and Soil Science, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
  Katherine Elmer, a national board-certified health and wellness coach and dedicated instructor and mentor to hundreds of students for over a decade, teaches Herbal Medicine and advises the Student Herbalism Club at the University of Vermont. Katherine supports clients as part of an integrative care team at the UVM Comprehensive Pain Program. Her students have consistently praised her for her knowledge of plants and herbalism, innovative instructional methods, and enthusiasm in the classroom.

President's Distinguished University Citizenship and Service Award

Nominees for the President's Distinguished University Citizenship and Service Award are lecturers or clinical faculty, full-time tenure or tenure-track faculty, research faculty, library faculty, or Extension faculty who have worked at the University of Vermont for at least five years and have demonstrated sustained and exceptional leadership and service to our community. This includes, but is not limited to, service at the department, college or, school, or university-wide level as a member of committees, governance groups, and advising student organizatioat (e)4(m)-2 (ont)(f)3 (0 (e)4 (xc))2 (ms)-o2(ve)4 (r)3 ₳ (r)-1 rss s fsment, colless tive sd1 (us)-1 (r)-1 xcmec

President's Distinguished Senior Lecturer and Lecturer Awards

The President's Distinguished Senior Lecturer and Lecturer Awards recognize Senior Lecturers or Lecturers for their outstanding teaching, scholarship, and service.

The AY 2023–2024 award recipient is:

- **Senior Lecturer Amy Tomas, Ph.D.**, Director of Undergraduate Programs, Grossman School of Business
  Amy Tomas is recognized for tireless service commitments, strong dedication to her work and students, and efforts to improve the Grossman School of Business curriculum. She is an excellent teacher who brings passion and enthusiasm for retail and professional development. Amy's primary research interest includes the impact of significant technological, societal, and competitive changes in the marketing environment on the retailer-consumer dyad. In the words of one of her recent students. "Amy is such a wonderful teacher and does a great job connecting with students! The real-life examples were great and applying it all to the research project is a good assignment. The pace of the class is effective."

University Distinguished Professor Award

The University Distinguished Professor Award is the highest academic honor that UVM bestows upon a faculty member. Holders of this title are recognized for having achieved international eminence within their respective fields of study and for the truly transformative nature of their contributions to advancing knowledge.

The AY 2023–2024 award recipients are:

- **Professor Pramodita Sharma, Ph.D.**, and Schlesinger-Grossman Chair of Family Business, Grossman School of Business
  Dr. Sharma is an internationally recognized scholar in family business studies and is among the most cited scholars in the area. Her research has transformed our understanding of family business succession, governance, and sustainability efforts. She helped shape the fledging field of family business by serving as the editor of the pioneering and leading academic journal, the *Family Business Review,* from 2008 to 2017. She has also co-authored eleven books. Her leadership of the family business area led to a top 25 global business school ranking for UVM for family business education and research by Family Capital, a London-based publication dedicated to the global family enterprise sector. Dr. Sharma was recently named one of the Top 100 Family Business Influencers by Family Capital. She has been honored with several international awards, including two prestigious lifetime achievement awards: the Barbara Hollander Award of the Family Firm Institute and the Lifetime Influence and Impact Award of the Family Enterprise Research Conference. Dr. Sharma's work embodies the values of Our Common Ground. Her recognition of the value of diverse perspectives on family enterprises permeates throughout her work and through the Schlesinger Global Family Enterprise Case Competition (SG-FECC) that she launched in 2013, the first case competition in the world focused on the unique issues of family enterprises. Dr. Sharma is highly deserving of recognition as a UVM University Distinguished Professor.

- **Professor Lesley-Ann Dupigny-Giroux, Ph.D.**, Department of Geography and Geosciences, College of Arts and Sciences
  Dr. Dupigny-Giroux is a Professor of Geography and Geosciences and a Vermont State Climatologist. She is an internationally renowned eminent scholar in climate science and climate education. Dr. Dupigny-Giroux is appointed for a 3-year term in the prestigious National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Mathematics Advisory Committee to the U.S. Global Change Research Program. In addition, she has been recently elected to a three-year term in the National Academies Board on Atmospheric Sciences and Climate. Dr. Dupigny-Giroux is also the immediate past president of the American Association of State Climatologists. She has been a member of the American Meteorological Society's Applied Climatology Committee, a National Councilor of the Association of American Geographers (AAG), has chaired the AAG Climate Specialty Group, and was a member of the NOAA Science Advisory Board Climate Working Group. She has also

Dr. Dupigny-Giroux is globally known for her widespread academic and social impact through her scholarly contributions to hydroclimatic natural hazards and climate literacy. Dr. Dupigny-Giroux's work embodies the values of Our Common Ground. Throughout her career at UVM since 1997, she has excelled as a scholar, instructor, and ambassador for diversity. She has authored highly impactful papers on climate extremes, geosciences, diversity, and remote sensing, and she recently received the 2018 Association for Women Geoscientists Professional Excellence Award in the Academia/Research category. Her scholarship has attracted a significant amount of extramural funding. She has chaired the International Public

University Scholars Award

The University Scholars Award recognizes distinguished UVM faculty members for sustained excellence in research and creative and scholarly activities in the following two categories: Social Sciences, Humanities, Creative Arts, and Basic and Applied Sciences (including biological, medical, and physical sciences).

The AY 2023–2024 award recipients are:
Basic and Applied Sciences:

- **Professor Joshua Bongard, Ph.D.**, Department of Computer Science, College of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences
  Dr. Bongard is a nationally and internationally recognized expert in machine science and artificial intelligence, with its application to