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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. Five members of the Illinois Wesleyan University faculty have been granted tenure and eight faculty have been advanced in academic rank by action of the campus' board of trustees.

Receiving tenure were Irving Epstein, educational studies; J. Scott Ferguson, music; Jeffrey Frick, chemistry; James Simeone, political science; and Daniel Terkla, English.

Receiving promotion in rank from associate professor to professor were James Plath, English; Tari Renner, political science; and W. Michael Weis, history.

Receiving promotion in rank from assistant professor to associate professor were Christopher Callahan, modern and classical languages and literatures; Jeffrey Frick, chemistry; Mauricio Parra, modern and classical languages and literatures; James Simeone, political science; and Daniel Terkla, English.

Epstein, who joined the IWU faculty in 1996, received a doctorate from the University of California-Los Angeles in 1984. He earned master's degrees from the University of Toronto and the Claremont Graduate School and a bachelor's degree from Lake Forest College.

A faculty member since 1996, Ferguson received a doctorate from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1987, a master of fine arts degree from the University of California-Irvine, and a bachelor's degree from the Oberlin College Conservatory of Music.

Frick received a doctorate from Loyola University of Chicago in 1990 and a bachelor's degree from Augustana College. He joined the IWU faculty in 1992.

Simeone, who joined the IWU faculty in 1992, received bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees from the University of Chicago.

A faculty member since 1995, Terkla received bachelor's and master's degrees from California State University-Long Beach and a doctorate in 1992 from the University of Southern California.

Plath, who joined IWU's faculty in 1988, received a doctorate in 1988 and a master's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, as well as a bachelor's degree from California State University-Chico.

Renner, an IWU faculty member since 1994, earned a bachelor's degree from the University of South Florida and a master's degree and doctorate from American University.

An IWU faculty member since 1988, Weis earned a bachelor's degree from Bowling Green State University and a master's degree and doctorate in 1987 from Ohio State University.

Callahan, an IWU faculty member since 1989, received a bachelor's degree from the University of Notre Dame, master's degrees from Middlebury College and Indiana University, and a doctorate from Indiana University in 1985.

An IWU faculty member since 1990, Parra received bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of California-Santa Barbara and a doctorate in 1993 from the University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign.

IWU, founded in 1850, enrolls about 2,000 students in a College of Liberal Arts, and individual schools of Music, Theatre Arts, Art, and Nursing. Since 1994, these facilities have been added to the IWU campus: a \$15 million athletics and recreation center, a \$25 million science center, a \$6.8 million residence hall, and a \$5.1 million Center for Liberal Arts.

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