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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. — Six Illinois Wesleyan University faculty members have been awarded tenure and promotions in rank while five more earned promotions in rank in action taken by the IWU Board of Trustees this week.

The faculty receiving tenure and promotion to associate professor from assistant professor are John Ernst, psychology; Hiroko Furo, modern and classical languages and literatures; Marcia McDonald, theatre arts; Carren Moham, music; Greg Shaw, political science; and Marcia Thomas, library.

▲ Ernst, a faculty member since 1998, has two bachelor's degrees from The Ohio State University and earned his master's and doctorate degrees from State University of New York-Buffalo.

▲ Furo, a faculty member since 1998, has a bachelor's degree from Kagawa University in Japan and a master's degree from the University of Northern Iowa. She earned her doctorate in linguistics with a concentration of sociolinguistics from Georgetown University.

▲ McDonald, who joined the IWU faculty in 1998, has a bachelor's of fine arts degree from the University of Pennsylvania and earned her master's of fine arts from Brandeis University.

▲ Moham has a bachelor's degree from Northeastern State University (Okla.) and earned her master's in music from the University of Oklahoma. An IWU faculty member since 1998, she earned the doctor of musical arts degree in vocal pedagogy and Black music history from The Ohio State University.

▲ Shaw, a faculty member since 1998, has his bachelor's degree from Southwestern Oklahoma State University and earned his master's and doctorate's degrees from Columbia University. He teaches courses at IWU on Congress, the American presidency, public opinion, and social policy.

▲ Thomas joined the IWU faculty in 1998. She has a bachelor's degree from Illinois Wesleyan University and a master's degree from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. She is The Ames Library's director of technical services and the library's liaison for the English, philosophy, and Hispanic studies departments, and the humanities and women's studies programs.

All tenure appointments and advancements will become effective at the start of the 2004-2005 academic year.

Five Others Earn Promotions in Rank

Promoted to professor from associate professor are Timothy Rettich, chemistry; Georganne Rundblad, sociology and anthropology; Curtis Trout, theatre arts; and William West, music.

Promoted to associate professor from assistant professor was Sheila Jeseck-Hale, nursing.

▲ Rettich joined the IWU faculty in 1981 and has been an associate professor of chemistry since 1987. He earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Dayton and a doctorate from Case Western Reserve University.

▲ Rundblad, who joined the IWU faculty in 1992, has been an associate professor of sociology since 1998. She earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from Illinois State University and her doctorate degree from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

▲ Trout became an IWU faculty member in 1990 and has been an associate professor of theatre arts since 1996. He earned his bachelor's degree and his master's of fine arts degrees from Western Illinois University.

▲ West, who joined the IWU faculty in 1982, has been an associate professor of music since 1996. He earned his bachelor's degree from West Virginia University and his master's degree in music at the University of Michigan.

▲ Jeseck-Hale joined the IWU faculty in 1986 as an assistant professor of nursing. She earned her bachelor's degree from Millikin University and her master's degree from Texas Women's University. She received her doctorate degree in nursing from Rush University.