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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. -- The new faculty members at Illinois Wesleyan University represent a group with expertise ranging from superconductivity to the music of contemporary Thailand and with backgrounds as diverse as India and China.

The new faculty members are Cheelan Bo-Linn, education; Wes Chapman, English; Jim Collins, physical education; Tian-Xiao He, mathematics; Narendra Jaggi, physics; Jeong-Ran Kim, psychology; Nanci Lininger, nursing; Robert Lusk, psychology; Ted McNair, philosophy; Pamela Moro, anthropology; Alison Sainsbury, English; Susan Shoemaker, sociology; David Vayo, music; and Wendy Wolbach, chemistry.

"Adding these talented new faculty members enhances Wesleyan's global reach," said IWU Provost and Dean of the Faculty Ellen Hurwitz. "All of our new people have excellent academic backgrounds and promise to be outstanding teachers, scholars, and performers."

A native of India, Jaggi will be the head of the physics department at IWU. He has been on the faculty at Northeastern University since 1985. He earned his doctorate from the University of Bombay in India and had a post-doctoral fellowship at Northwestern University. Jaggi, the co-discoverer of a superconductor that has the second-highest critical temperature, will continue his research on electrorheological fluids, those which can be frozen or made into a solid with the application of voltage.

Kim received her bachelor's degree from Sung Kyun Kwan University in Korea and earned her master's and doctorate from Purdue University. Her dissertation concerned the interrelationship between identity development and family relationships among college students, with emphasis on future orientation and gender roles.

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He, a native of the People's Republic of China, came to the U.S. in 1985 and recently completed his second doctorate at Texas A & M. With specific interests in the areas of computational mathematics and applied mathematics, He is the author of 30 research papers and three books.

Bo-Linn, of Chinese-American descent, is a visiting assistant professor of education and will serve as director of field experience. She earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Houston and a master's degree from the University of Kansas with a dual emphasis in music education and music therapy. She was employed as a music teacher and music therapist with the Baltimore City Schools prior to earning her doctorate from the University of Illinois. Her recent doctoral dissertation was on "The Relationship of Parental Beliefs to Children's Self-Perceptions and Intrinsic Motivation."

As husband and wife, Chapman and Sainsbury share a position in the English department, providing leadership and coordination to the expository writing program and to the computerized writing workshop in Buck Memorial Library. Chapman received his bachelor's degree from the University of Colorado and his master's and doctorate from Cornell. At Cornell, he received distinguished teaching awards twice and he designed and taught a variety of freshman writing seminars in the John S. Knight Writing Program. His research has focused on the ways male authors, from Blake to Pynchon, have responded to the feminist movements of their times.

Sainsbury has extensive experience in teaching writing at remedial, freshman, and upper-division levels and has designed writing courses in basic composition. She received the Buttrick-Crippen Fellowship in Expository at Cornell, as well as the Clark Distinguished Teaching Award. She earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Colorado and her doctorate from Cornell, where her dissertation explored the intersection of sexuality and colonial politics in late 19th- and early 20th-century texts.

Collins will serve as a physical education instructor and assumes the duties of head men's track coach and assistant football coach. He has been an assistant football coach at Central Michigan University and was an intern in track at Alma College. He earned his bachelor's degree from Wittenberg University and his master's degree from Central Michigan.

Linger returns to her alma mater as a visiting instructor of nursing. After earning her bachelor's degree from IWU, she received a master's in nursing from the University of Missouri. She has served as director of health services

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at Stephens College in Columbia, Mo., and, most recently, has been clinical nurse specialist at the Family Maternity Center of Urbana's Covenant Medical Center.

A clinical psychologist, Lusk received his bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois and his master's and doctorate from the University of California, Los Angeles, where he has served as assistant clinical psychology professor. With expertise in psychological assessment and neuropsychology, Lusk has been involved with the UCLA Sexual Abuse Project, whose core sample children were from the much-publicized McMartin Pre-School in Manhattan Beach, Cal.

McNair is a Medical Scholar in the M.D./Ph.D. program at the University of Illinois and earned undergraduate majors in both biology and biochemistry. His interests now center of ethics and political philosophy and he joins the IWU faculty as a visiting instructor in philosophy.

Moro earned her bachelor's, master's, and doctorate from the University of California, Berkeley. A Regent's Scholar and member of Phi Beta Kappa as a music major, she moved to anthropology for her graduate work. Her special interests are ethnomusicology and folklore with work focusing on southeast Asia, particularly Thailand, where, with support from a Fulbright grant, she has done research on Thai music and musicians in contemporary Bangkok.

With a bachelor's degree from Bryn Mawr College and a doctorate from the University of Illinois, Shoemaker joins the Wesleyan faculty as a visiting assistant professor of sociology. In addition to teaching at Illinois and Illinois State University, Shoemaker has been a research associate at the Institute for Environmental Studies, doing research on community decision-making regarding waste management issues.

Vayo comes to IWU as an assistant professor of music from the same position at Connecticut College. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Indiana University and his doctorate from the University of Michigan. He has received ASCAP Standard Awards three times and the Charles Ives Scholarship of the American Academy and Institute of Arts and Letters. With special interests in electronic and computer music, jazz, and Latin American music, Vayo has won the National Capital Area Composers Consortium contest, the New Music Chicago Excellence in Composition competition, and the Composers' Guild Composition contest.

Wolbach earned her bachelor's degree from Franklin and Marshall and received her master's and doctorate from the University of Chicago. At Chicago, she was a NASA Fellow in geochemistry, doing research that concerned

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environmental changes at the Cretaceous-Tertiary boundary identified through characterization of reduced carbon.

She has also completed a post-doctoral fellowship in analytical chemistry.