

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
UDC RESOLUTION NO. 2017 –**

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF DR. SHIRLEY JACKSON, COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES, AS PROFESSOR EMERITUS

WHEREAS, pursuant to D.C. Official Code 38-1202.06, the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of the University of the District of Columbia (the “University”) has responsibility to generally determine, control, supervise, manage, and govern all affairs of the University, including oversight of faculty; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 8 DCMR § 1412.1, the title of Professor Emeritus may be conferred by the Board to a retired professor who has rendered distinguished service; and

WHEREAS, the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences recommended to the previous Chief Academic Officer of the University Dr. Rachel Petty, as attached hereto as Appendix A, that emeritus status be conferred upon Dr. Shirley Jackson in recognition of Dr. Jackson’s distinguished service and range of contributions to the academic pursuits and the community of the University, pursued with dedication, integrity, and energy; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jackson’s more than forty-year tenure on the faculty of the University was marked by distinguished contributions to the discipline of foreign languages and to the University as a professor, educational administrator, faculty leader, researcher, author of five books and numerous chapters, articles, and other scholarly publications, and mentor to students and colleagues alike, exemplified by her lead: (1) in shaping and developing the University’s first Department of Foreign Languages, through which she published widely, gave lectures, and received grants in the fields of Spanish language and culture, Afro-Hispanic culture, and Women’s Studies, coordinated numerous conferences and edited periodicals in her discipline and, nurtured not only Spanish majors but enhanced the study of languages in students of all majors; and (2) as co-founder of the University Research, Language and History Council (along with several other interdisciplinary faculty), a collective whose goal was to promote University student research and publications in multiple languages and provide a forum for their presentations, along with faculty; and

WHEREAS, the Board has received and reviewed Appendix A and agrees with the nomination of Dr. Jackson for the reasons described in Appendix A, and commends Dr. Jackson for her distinguished service and professional excellence.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby confers upon Dr. Jackson the title and position of Professor Emeritus, with all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities pertaining thereto..

Submitted by the Academic and Student Affairs Committee

May 31, 2017

Approved by the Board of Trustees:

June 6, 2017

Christopher Bell
Chairperson of the Board



FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

TO: The Board of Trustees
FROM: Managing Director of Finance *David L. Fadden*
DATE: May 23, 2017
SUBJECT: Professor Emeritus Appointment for Professor Shirley Jackson

Conclusion

The proposed resolution is for the title of Professor Emeritus which may be conferred by the Board of Trustees upon a retired member of the faculty who has rendered distinguished service to the University and the community of the District.

Background

The Chief Academic Officer and the Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences, have recommended that Emeritus status be conferred upon the named retired faculty member, Dr. Shirley Jackson, in recognition of the professor's range of contributions to the academic pursuits of the University and her service to the University community.

Financial Impact

This request has been approved based upon the information provided. There are no anticipated risks at this time.