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Request for authorization to confer the title of Professor Emeritus of English on John Glendening – University of Montana-Missoula

THAT

Upon the occasion of the retirement of Professor John Glendening from the faculty of the University of Montana, the faculty wishes to express its appreciation for his 25 years of dedicated and valued service by requesting that the rank of Professor Emeritus be conferred upon him by the Board of Regents of Higher Education.

EXPLANATION

Professor John Glendening earned his B.A. in English at Wabash College, his M.A. in English at Ball State University, and his Ph. D. in English and Victorian Studies at Indiana University. From 1992-1998, he was a visiting Assistant Professor in the Department of English at UM; he became an Assistant Professor in 1996 and attained the rank of Professor in 2006.

A respected scholar with three books and 15 peer-reviewed articles, Professor Glendening has contributed greatly to the field of Victorian literature.

As a teacher, Professor Glendening enjoyed working with undergraduates and graduates. He taught a wide range of courses, including Introduction to Literary Studies; History of British Literature; India and the English Novel; Gothic Fiction and Film; Times and Texts of Oscar Wilde; Darwin and the Novel; and Introduction to the Humanities. Students valued his expertise; they also praised his commitment in helping them read critically and write carefully. He supervised numerous M. A. theses as well as undergraduate and graduate independent studies.

Professor Glendening served the department and university in important ways. He was a member of the Film Committee, the ASCRC Writing Committee, and the Faculty Senate. For the UM Conference on Undergraduate Research, Professor Glendening served as an abstract evaluator, judge, and session chair. For many years, he served on the Literature Program's M.A. admissions and scholarship committees and on the English Department's Faculty Evaluation Committee. Recently, he was a member of the department's search committee for the new director of composition. Through his service on these and many other committees, Professor Glendening made our department and university a more humane learning environment.

The Department of English is pleased to nominate Professor John Glendening for emeritus status.

ATTACHMENTS

No Attachments