


October 30, 2024

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Anne D'Alleva, Ph.D. 
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

RE: Reappointment of Professor Yiming Qian to the Toscano Family Chair in Finance
in the School of Business

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees reappoint Professor Yiming Qian to the Toscano Family Chair in Finance in the School of Business.

BACKGROUND:

The Board of Trustees voted to reappoint Professor Yiming Qian to the Toscano Family Chair in Finance in the School of Business at their meeting on June 26, 2024. This resolution is to correct the appointment term from August 23, 2024 through August 22, 2027 to August 23, 2024 through August 22, 2029.

Established in 2014, this Chair is supported by an endowment from the Toscano Family to recognize a notionally or internationally researcher, scholar and teacher and will have made significant contributions to the field of finance. The Chair will provide intellectual leadership for existing courses, offer specific dedicated classes, conduct and oversee faculty research, as well as publish in the field of finance.

The decision to reappoint was made following the School of Business policy. Dean Elliott is making his recommendation based on consultation with the associate deans and the relevant department head in the School of Business.

Professor Yiming Qian (Ph.D. in Finance, New York University) is a tenured Professor who is nationally recognized within her profession as a leader in the field and a very accomplished scholar with over 20 publications. Professor Qian's research focuses on varying topics in corporate finance, including initial public offerings, mergers and acquisitions, behavioral finance, and emerging markets. She is widely published in leading finance journals including the Journal of Financial Economics, the Review of Financial Studies, Management Science, Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, and Review of Finance, among others. Professor Qian has served as a board member of Midwest Finance Association. She is on the editorial board of Journal of Empirical Finance and Quarterly Journal of Finance. She has also served on the program committees for many international finance conferences.