

# Nebraska Wesleyan University

Catalog 2024-2025

## Faculty Emeriti

*(Dates in parentheses indicate original appointment year and official retirement year.)*

**Mary Beth Ahlum** (1985-2020)

*Professor Emeritus of Psychology*

B.S., 1978, Denison University; M.S., 1981, Ph.D., 1983, Pennsylvania State University.

**Dale M. Benham** (1989-2023)

*Professor Emeritus of Biology*

A.S., 1978, South Plains College; B.S., 1980, M.S., 1982, Angelo State University; Ph.D., 1989, Northern Arizona University.

**Sara A. Boatman** (1990-2008)

*Professor Emerita of Communication*

B.A., 1965, Nebraska Wesleyan University; M.A., 1973, Ph.D., 1985, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**Jerry N. Bockoven** (1999–2016)

*Professor Emeritus of Psychology*

B.A., 1976, Sioux Falls College; M.Div., 1981, North American Baptist Seminary; M.S., 1985, University of Oregon, Ph.D., 1988, University of Oregon

**William E. Boernke** (1971-2007)

*Professor Emeritus of Biology*

B.A., 1966, Ph.D., 1972, University of Minnesota.

**Jeri L. Brandt** (1990-2020)

*Professor Emeritus of Nursing*

B.S.N., 1974, University of Iowa; M.S.N., 1978, University of Nebraska College of Nursing; Ph.D., 1988, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**Roger A. Cognard** (1971-2008)

*Professor Emeritus of English*

B.A., 1967, Nebraska Wesleyan University; M.A., 1969, Ph.D., 1971, Texas Christian University.

**Lois T. Coleman** (1970-1994)

*Professor Emerita of Education*

B.A., 1952, M.A., 1967, Ed.D., 1969, University of California-Berkeley.

**Glen E. Dappen** (1969-2003)

*Professor Emeritus of Biology*

B.A., 1960, Sioux Falls College; M.S., 1962, Ph.D., 1971, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**Ellen B. Dubas** (1984-2023)

*Professor Emeritus of Sociology*

B.A., 1970, M.A., 1975, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Ph.D., 1990, University of Michigan.

**Garry A. Duncan** (1979-2017)

*Professor Emeritus of Biology*

B.S., 1972, M.S., 1975, Arizona State University; Ph.D., 1979, University of Arizona.

**Randy Ernst** (2016-2022)

*Professor Emeritus of Education*

B.A., M.A., Nebraska Wesleyan University; Ed.D., University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**Loretta L. Fairchild** (1975-2011)

*Professor Emerita of Economics*

B.A., 1966, Nebraska Wesleyan University; M.A., 1969, Ph.D., 1972, Cornell University.

**A. Denise George (1978-2006)**

*Professor Emerita of Chemistry*

B.Sc.Tech. (Hons.), 1963, Ph.D., 1966, Manchester University, England (in absentia) Bristol University, England, 1965-1966.

**Joan Gettert Gilbreth (2000-2022)**

*Professor Emeritus of Sociology*

B.S., 1985, Southwest Texas State University; M.S., 1994, Ph.D., 2000, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**David Goss (1964-2010)**

*Professor Emeritus of Physics*

B.S., 1959, Southwestern University, Texas; M.S., 1961, Michigan State University; Ph.D., 1964, University of Texas at Austin; B.S. (Geology), 1982, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**Norman E. Griswold (1963-1998)**

*Professor Emeritus of Chemistry*

B.A., 1957, University of Kansas; M.S., 1961, Ph.D., 1966, University of Nebraska.

**Linda K. Hardy (2004-2020)**

*Associate Professor of Nursing*

B.S.N., 2001, M.S.N., 2003, Nebraska Wesleyan University; Ph.D., 2011, University of Northern Colorado.

**Jean E. Henderson (1973-2012)**

*Professor Emerita of Music*

B.A., 1965, Nebraska Wesleyan University; M.A., 1970, Eastman School of Music; M.M., 1976, D.M.A., 2003, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**Susan G. Horn (1984-2012)**

*Assistant Professor Emerita of Art*

B.F.A., 1975, M.F.A., 1982, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**Daniel B. Howell (1965-2002)**

*Professor Emeritus of Chemistry*

B.A., 1959, Yankton College; M.S., 1962, Ph.D., 1965, University of Nebraska.

**Thomas K. Hudson (1988-2014)**

*Professor Emeritus of Business Administration*

B.S., 1962, M.Ed., 1963, M.B.A., 1966, Ph.D., 1991, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**David L. Iaquinta (1990-2023)**

*Professor Emeritus of Sociology*

B.A., 1972, M.S., 1976, M.S., 1977, Ph.D., 1982, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

**Alice J. Jaswal (1967-2007)**

*Professor Emerita of Communication and Theatre Arts*

B.A., 1962, Kearney State College; M.A., 1963, Central Missouri State College; Ph.D., 1968, Michigan State University.

**Berniece Jones (1997-2019)**

*Professor Emerita of Health and Human Performance*

B.S., 1974, Concordia College, Nebraska; M.Ed., 1981, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Ph.D., 2000, University of St. Louis

**Larry E. Jones (1976-2023)**

*Professor Emeritus of Music*

B.M., 1973, Nebraska Wesleyan University; M.M., 1975, Yale University; D.M.A., 1990, University of Colorado.

**Elaine M. Kruse (1985-2009)**

*Professor Emerita of History*

B.A., 1962, Augustana College; M.A., 1964, University of Illinois; Ph.D., 1983, University of Iowa.

**Janet C. Lu (1979-2008)**

*Professor Emerita of Library and Information Technology*

B.A., 1961, National Cheng-Kung University, Taiwan; M.S. in L.S., 1967, Case Western Reserve University Graduate School of Library Science.

**Georgianne Mastera (1987-2008)**

*Associate Professor Emerita of Business Administration*

B.S., 1965, M.Ed., 1976, Ph.D., 1996, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**Laurence L. McClain** (1993-2022)

*Professor Emeritus of English*

B.A., M.A., Ph.D., University of Texas at Austin.

**O. William McClung** (1992-2014)

*Professor Emeritus of Mathematics and Computer Science*

B.A., 1967, Williams College; M.A., 1968, Columbia University; Ph.D., 1978, University of Oregon; M.S., 1987, Stanford University.

**Robert A. Meininger** (1968-2000)

*Professor Emeritus of French*

B.A., 1961, University of Wyoming; M.A., 1964, Ph.D., 1970, University of Nebraska.

**Joyce E. Michaelis** (1968-2014)

*Professor Emerita of Spanish*

B.A., 1965, Central Michigan University; M.A., 1967, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**John J. Montag** (1995-2012)

*Professor Emeritus of Library and Information Technology*

B.A., 1970, Midland Lutheran College; M.A., 1976, University of Iowa.

**Donald Paoletta** (1993-2011)

*Professor Emeritus of Art History*

B.F.A., 1971, Ohio State University; M.A., 1974, Ph.D., 1991, University of Iowa.

**Marilyn S. Petro** (2006-2023)

*Professor Emeritus of Psychology*

B.S., 1975, Ohio State University; M.A., 1978, Ph.D., 1980, Miami University-Ohio.

**Michael W. Reese** (2003-2018)

*Associate Professor Emeritus of Theatre Arts*

B.A., 1989, University of Nebraska at Omaha; M.F.A., 1992, University of Kansas.

**Rita A. Ricaurte** (1989-2020)

*Professor Emeritus of Spanish*

B.A., 1975, M.A., 1977, Kansas State University; Ph.D., 1998, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**Clifford A. Sexton, Jr.** (1985-2001)

*Professor Emeritus of Accounting*

B.S., 1965, University of Kentucky; M.A., 1972, University of Houston; CPA, Texas and Nebraska.

**Stuart M. Spero** (1990-2014)

*Associate Professor Emeritus of Business Administration*

B.S., 1972, Colorado State University; M.A., 1978, Ball State University; M.B.A., 1985, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**P. Scott Stanfield** (1989-2023)

*Professor Emeritus of English*

B.A., 1976, Grinnell College; M.A., 1978, Ph.D., 1984, Northwestern University.

**W. Leonard Staudinger** (1968-1999)

*Professor Emeritus of Biology*

B.S., 1957, Oregon State University; M.S., 1959, Ph.D., 1961, Iowa State University.

**Ruth O. Stephenson** (1961-1997)

*Professor Emerita of Music*

B.M., 1952, M.M., 1953, University of Michigan.

**Daniel J. Styrdom** (2002-2016)

*Professor Emeritus of Chemistry and Forensic Science*

B.S., 1964, University of Pretoria, M.S., 1968, University of South Africa, Ph.D., 1972, University of South Africa

**Marie E. Trayer** (2003-2012)

*Assistant Professor Emerita of Spanish*

B.S., 1970, M.S., 1977, Ph.D., 1989, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**Jan P. Vermeer** (1974-2013)

*Professor Emeritus of Political Science*

B.A., 1968, University of California-Santa Barbara; A.M., 1972, Ph.D., 1979, Princeton University

**Richard L. Vogt** (1983-2007)

*Professor Emeritus of Mathematics and Computer Science*

B.S., 1967, M.S., 1969, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Ph.D., 1974, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

**Loy D. Watley** (1998-2018)

*Professor Emeritus of Business Administration*

B.S., 1982, Creighton University; B.A., 1990 Kearney State College; M.B.A., 1983 Southern Methodist University; Ph.D., 2002, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**William M. Wehrbein** (1981-2008)

*Professor Emeritus of Physics*

B.S., 1970, Nebraska Wesleyan University; Ph.D., 1977, University of Colorado.

**William Wyman** (1975-2019)

*Professor Emeritus of Music*

B.A., 1964, Bethany College, West Virginia; M.M., 1968, D.M.A., 1971, West Virginia University

**Jeannette R. Young** (1998-2012)

*Professor Emerita of Music*

B.M.E., 1971, University of Nebraska- Lincoln; Kodály Certificate, 1991, Silver Lake College, Wisconsin; M.M., 1992, University of Nebraska-Omaha; Ph.D., 2002, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.