

September 17, 2025

Dear Senators,

Please accept this letter nominating Associate Professor Soo Hostetler for emerita status.

Professor Hostetler has worked over 20 years at UNI as an Instructor, and then Assistant and Associate Professor. In that time, she has contributed to the Department and the University through her dedication to students and her work in Graphic Design. Soo has scores of published work, in addition to juried group and individual exhibitions at the local and international levels. She has won the "Best Award" from the Korea Society of Design in 2017 and 2019. Her work has been exhibited at the Hearst Center for the Arts recently, as well as at various venues from Chicago to Seoul.

Soo is an outstanding designer, and she is also a dedicated teacher. She has served the Department by teaching these past 23 years, and by helping to create opportunities for students to experience real-world design problems. Many of her students have won various awards at design competitions, such as AAF and AIGA. Moreover, she has been instrumental in maintaining the quality of the biennial Curris Exhibition in Graphic Design by working with the Foundation, donors, artists, and award-winning students.

It is appropriate to award Professor Hostetler emerita status for her years of service and dedication to UNI, the Department of Art & Graphic Design, and our students.

Thank you for your consideration,

Dr. Elizabeth Sutton

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