

August 10, 2020

Dear Colleagues,

I am writing this letter on behalf of Philip Fass. Professor Fass has been a valued member of the Department of Art for many years and is well deserving of Emeritus status.

Since coming to UNI in the early nineties, Prof. Fass has admirably served as a teacher and designer. He has taught a wide range of courses in Graphic Design primarily on typography and publication design, his areas of expertise. Phil introduced a wonderful course titled Book Structures, focusing on hand-made books of all kinds. Over the years, I have been delighted to see some amazingly creative and innovated projects produced by the students in this class. Phil also introduced a capstone course for our Graphic Design majors called Portfolio Preparation. In this course, senior-level students fine tune their portfolios in consultation with local design professionals in preparation for the first steps into their careers. Phil also organizes a Portfolio Night each spring to showcase the results of their efforts. This event is always a highlight of the end of the semester.

During Phil's tenure at UNI, the Graphic Design program has flourished in remarkable ways. Alumni have earned positions with top companies around the world and built substantial careers in the field of design. The Department of Art takes pride in their accomplishments and we applaud and thank Prof. Fass for his deep and passionate work in the classroom.

Sincerely,



Jeffery Byrd

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