Sept 15, 2017

Michael -

I am writing in support of the request from Cynthia Goatley to be considered for emeritus status.

Dr. Goatley is a full professor in the Department of Theatre. Her tenure at UNI has been characterized by high quality teaching, as evidenced by her receipt of the following awards:  
  
College of Humanities and Fine Arts (CHFA) Faculty Excellence Award, 2007

Regents’ Award for Faculty Excellence, 2002

American College Theatre Festival, Region V:

* Meritorious Achievement in Directing (*On the Verge,*2011)
* Meritorious Achievement in Directing (*The Laramie Project,*2002)
* Meritorious Achievement in Directing (*The Singular Life of Albert Nobbs,*2000)

Dr. Goatley has pursued multiple Professional Development Assignments and Summer Fellowships to further her work as a playwright. The resulting works have yielded several profession production opportunities. She has been a participant in numerous selective workshops related to both playwriting and directing. Her most recent completed work is an original musical titled *Just Ann*, based on the life and work of former Texas governor Ann Richards.

She is a member of the Dramatists Guild, and has previously served as the Associate Editor for the journal Theatre Topics.

Additionally, Dr. Goatley was twice chosen as a Fulbright Scholar, completing work with the University of Gdansk in Poland.

At UNI Dr. Goatley has regularly contributed to Honors coursework and has consistently been recognized for rigorous and high-quality teaching in Acting, Playwriting, Directing, and specialized coursework such as Feminist Theatre.

She can also claim an outstanding record of service to the department, the college, the university, and the profession.

Please let me know if I can provide further information in support of this highly-qualified candidate.

Thanks –

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