# URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

*Emeriti:*

**Johnell L. Bentz**, Teaching Associate Professor Emerita of Special Education, June 1, 2024

**Botond Bognar**, Professor Emeritus, School of Architecture, September 1, 2024

**Lisa G. Dixon**, Professor Emerita of Theatre, July 1, 2024

**James K. Drackley**, Professor Emeritus of Animal Sciences, September 1, 2024

**Matthew W. Finkin**, Professor Emeritus, College of Law, and Swanland Chair Emeritus, August 1, 2024

**Paul Justin Heald**, Professor Emeritus, College of Law, and Albert J. Harno and Edward W. Cleary Chair in Law Emeritus, August 1, 2024

**Janice M. Juraska**, Professor Emerita of Psychology, June 1, 2024

**Rinat Kedem**, Professor Emerita of Mathematics, September 16, 2024

**Kathryn A. La Barre**, Associate Professor Emerita, School of Information Sciences, June 1, 2024

**Sarah Jane McCarthey**, Sheila M. Miller Professor Emerita of Education, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, July 1, 2024

**Alan T. Mette**, Professor Emeritus, School of Art and Design, August 1, 2024

**Rakesh Nagi**, Donald Biggar Willett Professor Emeritus in Engineering, Department of Industrial and Enterprise Systems Engineering, August 16, 2024

**Sanjay Jeram Patel**, Professor Emeritus of Electrical and Computer Engineering, August 3, 2024

**Andrew Carl Singer**, Fox Family Professor Emeritus in Electrical and Computer Engineering, August 16, 2024

**Michelle M. Wander**, Professor Emerita of Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences, August 1, 2024

# CHICAGO

***Emeriti:***

**Peter C. Nelson**, Dean Emeritus, College of Engineering, October 16, 2024

**Peter Okkema**, Professor Emeritus of Biological Sciences, August 16, 2024

**Martha Pollak**, Professor Emerita of Art History, May 16, 2024

**Dan Schonfeld**, Professor Emeritus of Electrical and Computer Engineering, August 16, 2024

**Mary Cecilia Wendler**, Clinical Associate Professor Emerita of Biobehavioral Nursing Science, August 16, 2024

## 2024-2025 Sabbatical Requests Urbana-Champaign

## Submitted to the Board of Trustees September 19, 2024

| **College** | **School** | **Unit** | **Name** | **Rank** | **Period of Leave** | **Salary** | **Alternate Period of Leave** | **Salary** | **Concise Statement** |
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| COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES | School of Molecular and Cellular Biology | Biochemistry | Kai Zhang | Associate Professor | Second semester (Spring) | full pay |  |  | To research the applications of combining light and protein engineering to treat blindness using a mouse model; and to formulate quantitative models to predict cell functions and behaviors. |