

Faculty Senate Resolution in Honor of John Douglass, Associate Professor, School of Communications

Faculty Senate, May 5, 2021

Whereas Associate Professor John Douglass has been on the faculty at American University for over forty years, and has announced his intention to retire effective August 2021;

Whereas he began serving on the Faculty Senate in 1982 and has sustained his commitment to faculty governance ever since, including serving as the Senate Parliamentarian, twice as Senate chair, and chairing multiple committees including the Committee for Academic Budgets and Benefits, the Committee on Summer Session and the Computer Resources Committee;

Whereas his leadership and participation on every iteration of the Committee for Academic Budgets and Benefits from 2001 to the present has exemplified the values of shared governance by giving voice to faculty needs from benefits packages to multi-term contracts while contributing to institutional financial stability by shoring up the quasi-endowment fund;

Whereas his commitment to faculty service was distributed between department, school, and university-wide work, leaving each better for his time and efforts;

Whereas his mentorship of junior colleagues on the Committee for Academic Budgets and Benefits ensures that faculty voices will continue to shape the institutions' financing of academic priorities;

Therefore the Faculty Senate on behalf of the faculty of American University *lauds* Associate Professor John Douglass for his lifetime of service, *extends* our sincere thanks for his steadfast commitment to American University, and *congratulates* him on a career well spent.