



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Dear members of the American University of Beirut community,

It is my pleasure to announce that 73 faculty members across the university have been awarded Board Designated Professorships in recognition of their accomplishments, forward-looking leadership, and trajectory for further advancement and broader impact.

As outlined in my letter of [May 27, 2022](#), the Board of Trustees (BOT) of the American University of Beirut have graciously approved the allocation of \$2.5 million per year for three years to recognize and reward faculty excellence across the areas of research, teaching, service, outreach, and clinical care. In fact, all of those chosen have excelled across several of these areas and have also put forward viable plans for how they will increase their impact over the coming five years.

A total of 108 applications were received from highly qualified and dedicated faculty members, and selection had to be made based on the criteria and the available budget. The Board Designated Professorships were split, roughly equally, between FM and the other six faculties. In FM, there are a total of 34 awardees with 22 being Board Designated Professorships for faculty members demonstrating outstanding records in research as well as teaching and service. In addition, 12 were awarded Board Designated "Clinical" Professorships based on exemplary clinical care, medical education, and clinical research. In the other six faculties, a total of 39 awardees have been granted Board Designated Professorships distributed as follows: FAS (19), HSON (2), MSFEA (8), FAFS (4), FHS (2), OSB (4).

The awardees will receive a portion of the allotment in salary support and the rest will be allocated for research and development to realize their plans in the near future. The total packages range between \$25,000 and \$50,000 per year over a period of three years, starting September 2022 through August 2025. Candidates underwent a multi-stage review process based on the submitted documentation, beginning with their deans and moving through the provost, the president, the BOT committees on the

Academy and its Values and on Health and Medical Strategy, and ultimately approved by the Executive Committee of the BOT.

Please join me in congratulating all the fine scholars awarded this honor. Despite the ongoing adversities in Lebanon, we have many reasons to be hopeful, knowing that this illustrious institution continues to attract and retain top-tier faculty members who produce world-class research and are genuine servant-leaders. This is true not only of those faculty members being recognized today, but also to the cadres of exceptional faculty members, junior and senior, across this university. A special thanks to you all, and hearty congratulations to our new Board Designated Professors.

Sincerely,

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