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EMERGING FACULTY LEADERS TAPPED AS NANCY WEISS MALKIEL SCHOLARS *Program Supports Junior Faculty Committed to Inclusive Campus Communities*

PRINCETON, NJ (Thursday, April 26, 2018)—The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation has named ten emerging faculty leaders as 2018 Nancy Weiss Malkiel Scholars. Funded by The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the Malkiel Scholars Award supports junior faculty whose research focuses on contemporary American history, politics, culture, and society, and who are committed to the creation of an inclusive campus community for underrepresented students and scholars.

“These ten Malkiel Scholars represent both research excellence and an extraordinary commitment to mentoring students and serving their campuses and professions,” said Stephanie J. Hull, executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation. “It is a source of pride for us to be able to support them, and to honor Nancy Malkiel as the leader who originally inspired this program.”

Each Malkiel Scholar will receive a 12-month award of \$17,500 while working toward tenure. The award is structured to free the time of junior faculty who have passed their midpoint tenure review—including those from underrepresented groups and others committed to eradicating disparities in their fields—so that they can both engage in and build support for systems, networks, and affinity groups that make their fields and campuses more inclusive.

The program was established in 2015 in honor of Dr. Nancy Weiss Malkiel, a leading scholar of civil rights and race relations in early and mid-20th-century America. Dr. Malkiel became the first woman to join the faculty of the Princeton University Department of History in 1969. She also served for a record 24 years as Princeton’s Dean of the College, the senior officer responsible for undergraduate education at the university. Dr. Malkiel is a 1965 Woodrow Wilson Fellow and a long-time Trustee of the Foundation.

The 2018 Malkiel Scholars represent the next generation of leaders and scholars in the humanities and social sciences who are poised—like the program’s namesake—to play a significant role in shaping American higher education.

For more information on the Malkiel Scholars Award program, visit www.woodrow.org/nwm

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The 2018 Nancy Weiss Malkiel Scholars

Aimee Cox • Yale University, Anthropology and African American Studies
Living Past Slow Death: Creative Protest & the Reclamation of Black Life in the Urban U.S.

Julius Fleming, Jr. • University of Maryland, College Park, English
Black Patience: Performance and the Civil Rights Movement

Jennifer Jones • University of Notre Dame, Sociology
The Browning of the New South

Mary Elizabeth Mendoza • University of Vermont, History
Unnatural Border: Race and Environment at the U.S.–Mexico Divide

Jamila Michener • Cornell University, Government
Fragmented Democracy: Medicaid, Federalism and Unequal Politics

Nicole Overstreet • Clark University, Psychology
Influence of sociocultural processes (stigma, stereotyping, discrimination) on health disparities

Traci Parker • University of Massachusetts Amherst, Afro American Studies
Workers, Consumers, and Civil Rights: Department Stores as Contested Spaces for Racial Equality

Danielle Terrazas Williams • Oberlin College, History
The Capital of Free Women: Race, Status, and Economic Networks in Colonial Veracruz

Van Tran • Columbia University, Sociology
Lives in Motion

Aubrey Westfall • Wheaton College, Political Science
The Politics of the Headscarf in the United States

Alternate:

Miriam Abelson • Portland State University, Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
Men in Place: Contemporary Contexts of Race, Sexuality, and Trans Masculinities