THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Appointment of Ruth M. Milkman as Distinguished Professor of Sociology at The Graduate Center

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York appoint Ruth M. Milkman as Distinguished Professor of Sociology at The Graduate Center with compensation of $28,594 per annum in addition to her regular academic salary, subject to financial ability, effective July 1, 2015.

EXPLANATION: Professor Milkman is one of the leading labor sociologists in the United States, known both for her outstanding record of publication, including more than a dozen books (many of them award-winning), and her expertise on issues related to work, labor, and gender. Her early works are considered “classics” in her discipline, and she continues to produce creative and innovative research that causes her academic colleagues as well as labor activists to look at issues in new ways. In 2013, she was the recipient of the Public Understanding of Sociology Award from the American Sociological Association, and she was recently elected President of that organization, a position that reflects her high standing in the sociological community.

A graduate of Brown University, Professor Milkman earned her master’s and doctoral degrees in sociology from the University of California, Berkeley, before beginning her professional career at CUNY, where she was a faculty member at Queens College and the Graduate Center in the 1980s. After teaching sociology for more than twenty years at the University of California, Los Angeles, where she also directed the University of California’s Institute for Research on Labor and Employment, she returned to CUNY in 2009 as Professor of Sociology and Academic Director of the Murphy Institute for Worker Education and Labor Studies.

The Graduate Center and The City University of New York will be well-served by Professor Milkman’s appointment as Distinguished Professor.