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We are pleased and proud to announce that Professor Kevin Nadal, of the Department of Psychology, has been named as a Distinguished Professor, following action by the CUNY Board of Trustees. Dr. Nadal becomes the tenth current John Jay faculty member to hold that title in recognition of his exceptional contributions to scholarship and the public discourse.

Dr. Nadal's robust body of scholarship is focused, in part, on microaggressions, with additional scholarship focused on Filipino and Asian Americans and LGBTQ people of color. Since the publication of one of his first articles on microaggressions, the literature on this issue has grown to thousands of articles and tens of thousands of media articles. Microaggressions are the subtle ways that biases and prejudices are communicated in interactions. Through his work, Dr. Nadal is shedding light on such actions and giving voice to communities that are otherwise invisible in the academic literature, while examining the construct through a rigorous scientific lens.

Dr. Nadal has published 9 books to date, with 3 more in press/in progress and more than 100 articles and chapters. His authored books include: *Filipino American Psychology: A Handbook of Theory, Research and Clinical Practice* (John Wiley & Sons, 2011), *Microaggressions and Traumatic Stress* (APA, 2018), and *Queering Law and Order: LGBTQ Communities and the Criminal Justice System* (Lexington Books, 2020). He has delivered more than 42 keynote and invited lectures to date, and has been awarded more than \$240K in research and programming grants since coming to John Jay and CUNY. Note that he received his PhD in 2008 – only 13 years ago!

Dr. Nadal is an engaged colleague, teacher, and mentor here at John Jay and the CUNY Graduate Center. In addition, he is a past President of the Asian American Psychological Association (2015-2017), the oldest Asian American mental health organization in the country (and only one of four major national ethnic minority psychological associations), co-founder and an Executive Committee member of the LGBTQ Scholars of Color Network, and an elected Trustee for the Filipino American National Historical Society (2010-present). Dr. Nadal also has served as an editor for several journals, including *The Journal of Counseling Psychology*, *Asian American Journal of Psychology*, and *The Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity*.

Dr. Nadal's scholarship has been recognized with numerous national awards. Among others, he was awarded the Asian American Psychological Association *Early Career Contributions to Excellence Award* (2011); the Society for the Psychological Study of Ethnic Minority Issues *Emerging Professional Award for Research* (2012); the American Psychological Association Minority Fellowship Program *Early Career Award for Research* (2016); the American Psychological Association *Early Career Award for Distinguished Contributions to Psychology in the Public Interest* (2017); the Western Society of Criminology *Richard*

*Tewksbury Award* (2019), and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation *New Connections Thought Leader Award for Book Publication* (2019). Most recently, he was named one of the 100 most influential Filipino Americans by The Outstanding Filipinos in America (TOFA) Awards (2020).

Congratulations to Distinguished Professor Nadal!

Sincerely,



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