

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
*Regents Communication*

**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Death**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Memorial Statement**

The Regents of the University of Michigan acknowledge with profound sadness the death of **Linnea S. Hauge, Ph.D.**, assistant professor of surgery and assistant professor of medical education, Medical School, who died December 25, 2010, after a courageous battle with breast cancer.

Professor Hauge received her B.M.E. degree from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire in 1987, her M.S. degree from the University of Illinois-Chicago in 1993, and her Ph.D. degree from the University of Utah in 1997. From 1998-2006, she was an education specialist in the Department of Surgery at Rush University. She joined the University of Michigan faculty in 2007 as assistant professor of surgery and assistant professor of medical education.

Professor Hauge was a tireless advocate, friend, and guide for learners at all levels, a national leader in education organizations, and a mentor to individuals interested in education research. Within the Department of Surgery, she was closely involved in the redesign of the open and laparoscopic skills curricula, mock oral exams, and trauma team training. She participated in course design of the M4 Surgery Bootcamp, was course director for an M4 elective: "Residents as Teachers," and presented a highly-acclaimed lecture series on skills acquisition for the Graduate Medical Education Scholars Program. Professor Hauge also served in leadership positions in national professional organizations and conducted research in surgical skills acquisition and communication. In 2008-2009 she received funding from the prestigious National Board of Medical Examiners Stemmler Medical Education Research Fund for her project on assessing medical student performance during phone consultations with nurses. Following her diagnosis and throughout her treatment, Professor Hauge continued to work, publishing as recently as December 2010 in the *Journal of the American College of Surgeons*. A lecture series at Rush University Department of Surgery, and the Promising Education Scholar Award of the Association for Surgical Education will be named in her honor.

As we mourn the loss of our beloved colleague, we also extend our sincere condolences to her husband, Thomas Barber, and members of her family.

**Requested by:**



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**Sally J. Churchill**  
Vice President and Secretary of the University

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