

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Roberto R. Kampfner, Ph.D., associate professor of computer and information science, College of Engineering and Computer Science, University of Michigan-Dearborn, retired from active faculty status on August 31, 2010.


Professor Kampfner received his B.S. degree from the National Polytechnic Institute of Mexico in 1962, his M.Sc. degree from the London School of Economics and Political Science in 1975, and his Ph.D. degree from the University of Michigan in 1981. From 1981-87, he served on the faculty of Wayne State University. He joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty in 1987 as an associate professor in the School of Management (now College of Business). In 1992, he became associate professor of computer and information science in the College of Engineering and Computer Science.

Professor Kampfner's research interests focused on the application of biological information processing principles and mechanisms to the analysis and design of information systems in modern organizations. His publications included a biologically motivated approach to the analysis of distributed control and information processing, the integration of molecular and digital computing from an information systems development perspective, dynamics and information processing in adaptive systems, digital and biological computing in organizations, and adaptability and the integration of computer-based information processing into the dynamics of organizations. His work contributed to understanding how knowledge about the structure of control and function of an organization can help determine its information processing requirements.

Professor Kampfner was a highly valued and dedicated instructor who was well-liked by his students. He enjoyed teaching and believed in the importance of the analytical approach to the core information systems courses he taught, and he also made substantial service contributions at the department, school, and campus levels.

The Regents now salute this distinguished teacher and educator by naming **Roberto R. Kampfner associate professor emeritus of computer and information science.**

Requested by:



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