

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Lora Bex Lempert, Ph.D., professor of sociology in the College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters, University of Michigan-Dearborn, and assistant research scientist in the Institute for Research on Women & Gender, Office of the Vice President for Research, will retire from active faculty status on December 31, 2014.

Professor Lempert received her B.A. degree from Michigan State University in 1968, her M.S. degree from San Francisco State University in 1985, and her Ph.D. degree from the University of California, San Francisco in 1992. She joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty as an assistant professor in 1994, and was promoted to associate professor in 1998, and professor in 2005.

Professor Lempert is a distinguished sociologist with special expertise in the study of domestic violence, gender and racial equality, violence against women, women's health issues, and women in prison. As director of the UM-Dearborn Women's and Gender Studies program, she developed a new certificate program and established an innovative internship program that provided students with opportunities to analyze social problems as they provide direct service in sites such as shelters for abused women, Head Start programs for children, victim advocacy units in prosecutor's offices, and adolescent transitional housing. Professor Lempert was also actively involved in promoting the Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program in Michigan and providing college level courses to the inmates of the Scott Correctional Facility for Women and the Huron Valley Women's Facility. She has been honored with a number of awards including a Fulbright scholarship (2001), the Sociologists for Women in Society's Feminist Activism Award (2009), the UM-Dearborn's Distinguished Service Award (2012), and the UM-Dearborn's Women's and Gender Studies Teaching Award (2013).

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member for her dedicated service by naming **Lora Bex Lempert professor emerita of sociology and assistant research scientist emerita**.

Requested by:



Sally J. Churchill, J.D.

Vice President and Secretary of the University

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