THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Peter A. Granda, Ph.D., archivist in the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), Institute for Social Research, retired from active faculty status on November 3, 2017.

Dr. Granda received his B.A. degree from Fairleigh Dickinson University in 1969, his M.A. degree from Kansas State University in 1974, and his Ph.D. degree from the University of Michigan in 1984. He joined the University of Michigan as a data archive specialist in 1985. Dr. Granda held a number of positions, including research associate I, research associate II, senior research associate, archival assistant director, and archivist. He served as associate director of the ICPSR from 2013-17.

Dr. Granda was known throughout his career at ICPSR for his integrity and for his steadfast commitment to the organization and its data stewardship mission. He advised social science data repositories around the world on best archival practices. He played a key leadership role in many initiatives, with a special focus on those related to comparative research and data harmonization, many of which involved collaborations with colleagues in other centers of the Institute for Social Research. Starting in 2002, Dr. Granda served as the director of data processing for the National Survey of Family Growth. He was also the co-principal investigator of the Integrated Fertility Survey Series, an effort to harmonize decades of data on fertility in the U.S., and participated in the Collaborative Psychiatric Epidemiology Surveys project, which resulted in a harmonized dataset used to investigate cultural and ethnic influences on mental health. With colleagues at a social science data archive in Cologne, Germany, he established a partnership to process and distribute the Eurobarometer surveys for secondary analysis. Dr. Granda also served as the principal investigator and director of the Health and Medical Care Archive, the official data archive of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation based at ICPSR.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Peter A. Granda, archivist emeritus.

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