

# THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

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## ACTION REQUEST

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

**William G. Rosenberg, Ph.D.**, Alfred G. Meyer Collegiate Professor of History and professor of history in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, will retire from active faculty status on May 31, 2010.

Professor Rosenberg received his A.B. degree from Amherst College in 1960 and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Harvard University in 1961 and 1967, respectively. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor of history in 1967, was promoted to associate professor in 1971, and professor in 1976. He was appointed Alfred G. Meyer Collegiate Professor of History in 1998 and was Richard Hudson Research Professor of History in 1999.

A noted scholar of the Russian Revolution, Professor Rosenberg is also an inspirational teacher and gifted administrator who played a key role in making the University of Michigan a premier destination for postgraduate work in Russian and Soviet history and area studies. He is the author of numerous journal articles and book chapters and has received research awards and fellowships from such organizations as the Guggenheim Foundation, the International Research & Exchanges Board, the National Council for Eurasian and East European Research, and the National Endowment for the Humanities. During his 43-year career at the University of Michigan, Professor Rosenberg has mentored scores of graduate students and lectured on Russian history to generations of undergraduates. From introductory surveys to advanced graduate seminars, he designed and taught nearly every foundational course in Russian and East European Studies. He has served as director or acting director of the Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies (1983-86, 1987-89); chair of the Department of History (1990-93); interim director of the International Institute (1996); and founding director of the Eisenberg Institute for Historical Studies (2004-06). He served on the board of trustees of the European University at St. Petersburg in Russia and forged a collaborative teaching initiative with that university. He also served on numerous dissertation committees at the Central European University in Budapest.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **William G. Rosenberg professor emeritus of history**.

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