THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement
Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Mark R. DeCamp, Ph.D., associate professor of chemistry, College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters, University of Michigan-Dearborn, retired from active faculty status on April 30, 2014.

Professor DeCamp received his B.A. degree from Williams College, and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Princeton University in 1970 and 1972, respectively. He joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty as an assistant professor in 1975, and was promoted to associate professor in 1981.

Professor DeCamp’s research focused on the determination of organic reaction mechanisms utilizing isotropic labels. A gifted teacher and dedicated mentor, he taught general chemistry and organic chemistry courses to a generation of students. As the faculty advisor to the UM-Dearborn Pre-Professional Health Society, Professor DeCamp has guided countless students in planning and achieving successful careers in medicine, dentistry, and pharmacology. He served on the University Budget Committee, the College Executive Committee, the Senate Advisory Committee on University Affairs, and as the Chemistry Discipline chair. Professor DeCamp has been actively involved in the Detroit Section of the American Chemical Society and as regional coordinator for the Chemistry Olympiad competition. He received the Detroit Section of the American Chemical Society’s Distinguished Service Award (1991), UM-Dearborn’s Distinguished Teaching Award (2001), two Distinguished Student Organization Advisor Awards (2005 and 2008), and UM-Dearborn’s Distinguished Service Award (2011).

The Regents now salute this distinguished chemist for his service by naming Mark R. DeCamp associate professor emeritus of chemistry.

Requested by:

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