

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

*Regents Communication*

**ACTION REQUEST**

**Adopted by the  
Regents  
May 15, 2014**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

**Kweku Arku Garbrah, Dr. phil.**, professor of Greek and Latin in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, will retire from active faculty status on May 31, 2014.

Professor Garbrah received his B.A. degree from the University of London in 1961, his B.Litt. degree from the University of Oxford in 1966, and his Dr. phil. degree from the University of Cologne in 1972. He served on the faculty of the University of Texas, the University of California, Los Angeles, and the University of Alberta. Professor Garbrah was awarded the University of Michigan's King-Chavez-Parks Visiting Professorship in 1989 and joined the faculty as a professor of Greek and Latin in 1990.

Professor Garbrah's scholarly work focused on defining grammatical, syntactical, and dialectal variants in a wide scope of archaic epigraphical and literary sources for Ancient Greek. He sought to provide a detailed and enriched knowledge of linguistic features in terms of how they reflect deeply embedded poetic structures. Professor Garbrah combined his interests in epic poetry with studies in ancient religion, cult, and professional guilds. He authored a number of scholarly publications and the monograph *A Grammar of Ionic Inscriptions from Erythrae: Phonology and Morphology* (1978). A dedicated teacher, Professor Garbrah played an instrumental role in the instruction of Greek and Latin prose composition and generously shared his expertise with undergraduate and graduate students. He was awarded numerous research fellowships and grants from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation.

The Regents now salute this distinguished teacher and scholar by naming **Kweku Arku Garbrah professor emeritus of Greek and Latin**.

**Requested by:**

  
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**Sally J. Churchill, J.D.**

**Vice President and Secretary of the University**

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