

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

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

Berit Ingersoll-Dayton, Ph.D., professor of social work in the School of Social Work, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2018.

Professor Ingersoll-Dayton received her B.A. (1975) degree from Oberlin College and her M.S.W. (1977), M.A. (1981), and Ph.D. (1982) degrees from the University of Michigan. After completing a post-doctoral fellowship at the Institute for Social Research, she served as an assistant professor (1983-86) and associate professor (1986-92) at Portland State University. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as an associate professor in 1992, and was promoted to professor in 1997. She served as the director of the Joint Doctoral Program in Social Work and Social Science from 2010-16.

Professor Ingersoll-Dayton is the author of over 70 journal articles and book chapters as well as two books. An accomplished, well-funded researcher, she was the principal investigator and co-principal investigator on research and training grants funded by the National Institute on Aging, the Institute for Research on Women and Gender, and the Michigan Alzheimer's Disease Research Center among others. Her accomplishments in research, scholarship, and service have earned her such recognition as being selected as a Hartford Geriatric Social Work National Research Mentor and being elected a fellow of the Gerontological Society of America. Professor Ingersoll-Dayton's research focused on social support and clinical research with respect to families in later life. Within the area of social support, she explored the positive and negative aspects of support, gender differences, issues of equity and reciprocity, and cross-cultural differences in marital and intergenerational relationships. In relation to clinical research, she has assessed various group and couples interventions with the elderly, intergenerational family therapy approaches, and methods of assisting employed caregivers of the elderly. Professor Ingersoll-Dayton has provided extensive mentorship to a generation of faculty, post-doctoral trainees, and graduate students.

The Regents now salute this distinguished scholar by naming **Berit Ingersoll-Dayton, professor emerita of social work.**



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