

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

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**ACTION REQUEST**

Adopted by the Regents

June 18, 2009

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

**Everett J. Blakely, M.S.W.**, associate professor of social work in the School of Education and Human Services at the University of Michigan-Flint, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2009.

Professor Blakely received his B.A. degree from the University of Michigan-Flint in 1972 and his M.S.W. degree from the University of Michigan in 1975. Prior to joining the University of Michigan-Flint, he served as director of the Child/Adolescent Psychiatric Unit of William Booth Memorial Hospital from 1975-79, was a psychotherapist at Ucer's Psychiatric Clinic from 1979-83, and a mental health therapist at Saginaw Community Mental Health from 1983-86. Professor Blakely joined the faculty as an assistant professor in 1986 and was promoted to associate professor in 1994.

Professor Blakely's research interests in mental health significantly affected the provision of mental health services to children, the homeless, and geriatric social work clients. He has served the social work profession through his advocacy work, by serving as a student internship field supervisor, and through his many years as the psychiatric consultant to the Saginaw General Hospital Emergency Room. He also served as a consultant and workshop leader at V.I.A., a safe-house program for domestic violence victims.

Professor Blakely was a student-centered teacher who served for many years as advisor to the Social Work Club and the Social Work Honor Society. He chaired the University of Michigan-Flint Academic Plan Monitoring Committee. He was a leader in establishing the School of Education and Human Services and served many years on its executive committee.

The Regents now salute this distinguished educator for his dedication and service by naming **Everett J. Blakely associate professor emeritus of social work.**

**Requested by:**



Sally J. Churchill, J.D.

Vice President and Secretary of the University

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