THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

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

Carroll Smith-Rosenberg, Ph.D., professor of history, professor of American culture, and professor of women’s studies, will retire from active faculty status on December 31, 2008.

Professor Smith-Rosenberg received her B.A. degree from Connecticut College in 1957, and her M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Columbia University in 1958 and 1968, respectively. From 1969-95, she was a faculty member at the University of Pennsylvania. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as professor of history and women’s studies in 1996.

A historian noted for her path-breaking scholarship in U.S. women’s and gender history Professor Smith-Rosenberg has authored three books, the latest of which is forthcoming this year. She is the author of thirty-nine articles, several of which have been reprinted many times. She has held fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation, the American Council of Learned Societies, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Rockefeller Foundation, the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, and the American Antiquarian Society.

Professor Smith-Rosenberg taught undergraduate and graduate courses in history, American culture, and women’s studies. She chaired eight dissertation committees and served as a member of other committees. Professor Smith-Rosenberg served on the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Executive Committee (1999-2002), served two terms as the graduate chair of the Program in American Culture (1997-2000, 2001-02) and was interim director of the program from July-December 2003. As founder and director of the Atlantic Studies Graduate Initiative, she organized six major conferences and planned yearly workshops and monthly colloquia and lectures. She was the Alice Freeman Palmer Distinguished Professor of History from 1999-2003 and was the Mary Frances Berry Collegiate Professor in History, American Culture, and Women’s Studies from 2003-08.

The Regents salute this distinguished teacher and researcher by naming Carroll Smith-Rosenberg professor emerita of history, professor emerita of American culture, and professor emerita of women’s studies.

Requested by:

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