

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

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

Stéphane Spoiden, Ph.D., professor of French in the University of Michigan-Dearborn College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2018.

Professor Spoiden received his B.A. (1989), M.A. (1991), and Ph.D. (1996) degrees from The Ohio State University. He joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty as an assistant professor in 1996, and was promoted to associate professor in 2002, and professor in 2008. He served as director of both the International Studies Program (2001-08 and 2009-15) and the Global Cultures Program (2010-15).

Professor Spoiden conducted research in various fields, including French intellectual and political history, French media criticism, French and European cinema, global politics, transatlantic relations, and the European Union. He published two books titled *La Littérature et le sida* (2001) and *Étonnante Amérique* (2005) as well as edited a volume titled *Régis Debray et la médiologie* (2007). His numerous articles and book chapters appeared in venues that reflect the interdisciplinary nature of his work. Professor Spoiden was a co-organizer of a conference on gender studies in Montréal, Canada (2000) and of a conference on media studies in Antwerp, Belgium (2002). Professor Spoiden also served as the book review editor and associate editor of *Contemporary French Civilization* for a number of years. From 2010-16, he wrote *The French Review's* annual essay on socio-cultural and political events of the year in France. Professor Spoiden contributed to the development of the International Studies and Global Cultures programs, notably by creating courses on the European Union, global cultures, transatlantic relations, and postwar European cinema. Professor Spoiden received UM-Dearborn's Distinguished Research Award in 2013.

The Regents now salute this dedicated and accomplished teacher and scholar for his service by naming **Stéphane Spoiden, professor emeritus of French**.

Requested by:



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