

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Romana Capek-Habekovic, Ph.D., Senior Lecturer and lecturer IV in Italian in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, retired from active faculty status on December 30, 2014.

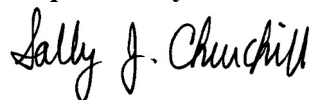
Dr. Capek-Habekovic attended the University of Zagreb (Zagreb, Croatia) where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Italian with a minor in comparative literature in 1972. She then attended Wayne State University where she received a Master of Arts degree in Italian literature in 1978. From there, she came to the University of Michigan where she earned her Ph.D. degree in Italian literature in 1983. In 1984, Dr. Capek-Habekovic was appointed a lecturer. She was promoted to lecturer III in 1990 and lecturer IV in 2012. In 1997, she started her appointment as the director of the Elementary Language Italian Program, after being coordinator from 1990-96. Between 2012-14, Dr. Capek-Habekovic also served as the interim director of the Elementary Language French Program.

During her years at the University of Michigan, Dr. Capek-Habekovic taught undergraduate courses and graduate classes in Italian language and pedagogy, and in contemporary Italian literature, particularly on Italian theater, Italian cuisine as a cultural practice, and Italian multimedia. She is the author of *Tommaso Landolfi's Grottesque Images* (New York: Peter Lang, 1986), *Insieme. Review Grammar and Reader for Second Year Italian* (McGraw-Hill Publishing Company, 1994, second edition 1998), and several other language books and manuals to teach Italian language as a foreign language.

Dr. Capek-Habekovic was a very active and dedicated teacher who brought excellence to the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures and cultural and linguistic awareness to our students.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Romana Capek-Habekovic, Senior Lecturer Emerita and lecturer IV emerita in Italian.**

Requested by:



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