## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

## **ACTION REQUEST**

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested:

Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Paula A. Malone, M.A., lecturer IV in economics in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2014.

Ms. Malone received her B.A. (1973) and M.A. (1980) degrees from the University of Toledo. She served as an adjunct lecturer at the University of Toledo from 1982-97. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as a lecturer II in 1998, and was promoted through the ranks to Lecturer IV in 2005.

During her years at the University of Michigan, Ms. Malone was an outstanding instructor of the Principles of Microeconomics, a course that often provided students with their first exposure to economics; Economics and Gender, a course she reintroduced into the undergraduate curriculum; Economics of Crime, a new course that she conceived and designed; and Personal Finance, a new course that she advocated for and developed. She also partnered with the LSA Comprehensive Studies Program to design and teach a section of the principles course. Ms. Malone's service to the department included advising and mentoring over 14,000 undergraduate economics majors. Undergraduate students often reported that Ms. Malone was the reason they became interested in studying economics, that she was an inspiration to them, and that she had impacted their educations. Graduate student instructors on her team learned to more effectively communicate economics and manage projects and people. In both teaching and advising, Ms. Malone's thoughtful advice, insight, compassion, nurturance, and encouragement have made a difference to countless students in pursuit of their academic goals. Ms. Malone continues to be professionally active in her new Portland, Oregon community where she volunteers in a financial literacy program and participates in advocacy work.

The Regents now salute this distinguished scholar by naming Paula A. Malone, lecturer IV emerita in economics.

Requested by:

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