

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Janet C. Hart, Ph.D., associate professor of anthropology in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, will retire from active faculty status on May 31, 2010.

Professor Hart received her B.A degree from Swarthmore College in 1974, and her M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Cornell University in 1982 and 1991, respectively. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1988 and was promoted to associate professor in 1995.

Professor Hart's research focused on cross-generational fieldwork among several extended families, using participant observation, family gatherings, individual meetings, oral histories, study of vocabulary and language ideological habits, living quarters, and bought or collected objects. She also investigated political prisons and prisoners, focusing in both populations on issues of nationalism and transnationalism.

Professor Hart taught undergraduate and graduate courses in sociology, women's studies and anthropology. She participated in a number of dissertation committees, both in anthropology and in a wide range of other disciplines, and was a dedicated student advisor. She was active in various faculty governance and advisory committees and served on the University of Michigan Press Executive Board from 1998-2001. In 1995, Professor Hart was recognized by the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts with its Excellence in Education Award.

The Regents now salute this distinguished teacher and researcher for her dedicated service by naming **Janet C. Hart associate professor emerita of anthropology**.

Requested by:



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