

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Imane A. Hakam, Ph.D., associate professor of French in the University of Michigan-Flint College of Arts and Sciences, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2019.

Professor Hakam received her B.A. (1977), M.A. (1983), and Ph.D. (1990) degrees from Cairo University. She received the highest honor upon completion of her doctoral thesis titled, *Fantasmies et Fantastique dans l'oeuvre de Huysmans* (1990). She served on the faculty of Cairo University from 1977-90. She joined the University of Michigan-Flint faculty as an assistant professor in 1991, and was promoted to associate professor in 1997.

Professor Hakam's leadership in teaching, research, and service is laudable. She had instructional responsibility in the French program, but also occasionally taught courses in the Italian, Middle Eastern Studies, and Spanish programs. Some of her faculty governance and administrative work included service as the library officer for foreign languages, the French program head, the interim foreign languages department chair, and the Honors Program representative for French. Professor Hakam was active in a number of unit and university-wide committees, including the Admissions and Scholarship Committee, the Accreditation and Strategic Planning Committee, and the Auxiliary and Recreational Center Committee. Professor Hakam also has the distinction of being a founding member of the Egyptian Association of Teachers of French. In her research, Professor Hakam's extensive study of Huysmans and other French and francophone authors such as Molière, Michel Tournier, and Amin Maalouf produced several publications in renowned scholarly journals and presentations at national conferences, including a chapter in the study *De l'écriture mystique au féminin* (2005). Her past and present research interests have included travel to numerous destinations abroad, such as L'Université de la Sorbonne, Paris III, Paris, France.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member for her dedicated service by naming **Imane A. Hakam, associate professor emerita of French**.

Requested by:



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