

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Alan V. Deardorff, Ph.D., John W. Sweetland Professor of International Economics and professor of economics and public policy in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts and professor of public policy in the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2021.

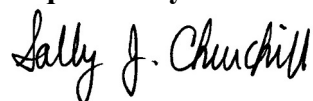
Professor Deardorff received his B.S. (1966) degree from Stanford University and his M.A. (1969) and Ph.D. (1971) degrees from Cornell University. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as a lecturer in 1970, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1971, associate professor in 1975, and professor in 1980. He was named the John W. Sweetland Professor of International Economics in 1997. He served as chair of the Department of Economics from 1991-95 and as associate dean of the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy from 2007-2015.

Professor Deardorff was a renowned expert in international trade theory and policy, particularly the theory of comparative advantage that explains the patterns and effects of international trade, and the analysis of policies such as anti-dumping laws and the safeguards clause of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT). His latest research focused on the implications of Rules of Origin in free trade agreements (FTAs) and trade frictions between the U.S. and other countries. His most influential work includes the development of a widely used computer-based model of production, trade, and employment, co-developed with longtime colleague and friend, Professor Emeritus Robert Stern.

Professor Deardorff authored and co-authored five books and monographs, edited six volumes, and wrote nearly 100 academic papers. He also published 89 conference papers in edited volumes. He served as a consultant to the U.S. Department of State, the U.S. Department of the Treasury, the U.S. Department of Labor and to international institutions, including the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, and the World Bank. He served on the editorial boards of several journals and maintains widely-used websites that tracked the widening network of trade economists, including a large number of graduate and undergraduate students who were fortunate to have been taught by Professor Deardorff.

The Regents now salute this distinguished scholar by naming **Alan V. Deardorff, professor emeritus of economics and public policy and professor emeritus of public policy.**

Requested by:



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