THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement
Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Frank W. Wayman, Ph.D., professor of political science, College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters, University of Michigan-Dearborn, retired from active faculty status on April 30, 2023.

Professor Wayman earned his Ph.D. degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1972. He joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty as an assistant professor in 1972, and was promoted to associate professor in 1976, and professor in 1984.

For over 50 years, Professor Wayman taught a wide range of courses from undergraduate to graduate level. Professor Wayman regularly received strong evaluations from his students and is among our university’s most accomplished and effective classroom instructors. Professor Wayman was awarded the Distinguished Faculty Award in 2000 from the Michigan Association of Governing Boards of State Universities.

Professor Wayman is a scholar of international relations. His research employs quasi-experimental designs and game theory to facilitate a deeper understanding of causality and predictive modeling. The author/co-author of four books, including the highly regarded Resort to War, and nearly twenty peer-reviewed articles, Professor Wayman’s work is widely cited. Indeed, his article, “Buying Time: Moneyed Interests and the Mobilization of Bias in Congressional Committees,” co-authored with Richard L. Hall, was cited in 2006 by American Political Science Review as one of its fifty most cited articles in the 100 years of the review. In recognition of his outstanding scholarship, Professor Wayman was recognized by the campus with its Outstanding Faculty Research Award in 1999.

His service to the university is extensive and includes serving as director of the Ottawa Internship program from 2005-2009, the co-founding of the Correlates of War project council (1995-2001); director of Interdisciplinary Studies (IDS) (1981-86); as well as work on numerous other committees at the departmental, college, and university levels.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member for his many years of service to the University of Michigan-Dearborn by naming Frank W. Wayman, professor emeritus of political science.

Requested by:

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