

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Paul M. Hughes, Ph.D., professor of philosophy in the College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters, University of Michigan-Dearborn, retired from active status February 28, 2022, following 35 years of service to the university.

Professor Hughes earned his B.A. (1980) degree in philosophy from the University of Massachusetts-Boston and his M.A. (1983) and his Ph.D. (1987) degrees from the University of Illinois at Chicago. Professor Hughes joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn as an assistant professor of philosophy in 1987, and was promoted to associate professor in 1994, and professor in 2005. He twice served as the chair of the Department of Humanities.

Professor Hughes has centered his scholarly work on ethics, social and political philosophy, and the philosophy of law. His specific areas of research are Marxism, organ sales, forgiveness, civility, and entrapment. During his tenure at the University of Michigan-Dearborn he has published 29 articles and short book chapters, six book review essays/conference proceedings, and 29 encyclopedia articles and book reviews. He has also given 39 conference presentations and invited talks. Professor Hughes also served as a peer reviewer for over twenty scholarly journals and textbooks. He was awarded multiple research grants during his time at the university, was nominated for the University of Michigan-Dearborn Distinguished Researcher Award and was nominated twice for the Distinguished Teaching Award. He developed five new courses for the philosophy program, including Philosophy and Religion, Marxism, Philosophy of Law, Feminist Political Theory, and Seminar in Contemporary Ethics. In addition to his extensive service to the philosophy discipline, department, college, and campus, he also served as a chair, facilitator, commentator, or moderator at over 30 professional conferences. He was a member of the American Philosophical Association, the American Bar Association, the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, and the American Society for Value Inquiry.

The Regents now salute this distinguished professor for his service to the University of Michigan-Dearborn by naming **Paul M. Hughes, professor emeritus of philosophy**.

Requested by:



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