

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Thomas S. Marshall, D.D.S., M.S.D., clinical assistant professor of dentistry in the School of Dentistry, retired from active faculty status on August 31, 2021.

Dr. Marshall received his B.S. degree in biology from Michigan Technological University in 1975, his D.D.S. degree from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry in 1979, and his M.S.D. degree in prosthodontics from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio/Lackland Air Force Base (AFB) in 1992. He taught at the University of Texas Health Science Center Dental School from 1989-90, at the Barksdale AFB from 1995-2000, and the Keesler AFB from 2006-08. He served the United States Air Force Dental Corp as the general dentist, flight, squadron, and deputy group commander from 1979-2008. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as a clinical assistant professor in 2008 and was appointed as a teaching intensive faculty in 2018.

Dr. Marshall was a master clinician who brought a breadth of knowledge and experience to our predoctoral and graduate prosthodontic programs. He was instrumental in developing intellectually challenging seminars for the Advanced Education of General Dentistry program as well as a stimulating summer lecture series encompassing 16 diverse topics related to current subjects in prosthodontics. His 40 years of experience as a dentist, 30 years of teaching, and over 25 years as a specialist in prosthodontics have contributed to his success as a vastly experienced educator. He served as course director for several pre-doctoral and graduate courses in clinical, didactic, and preclinical teaching. His extensive knowledge in prosthodontic laboratory sciences has given him a unique perspective on technical developments within the dental laboratory field including materials, equipment, technology, and techniques that he imparted on his students. He has been positively regarded by students and peers as a dedicated instructor who sets high standards for himself and others to achieve excellence. As a teaching intensive faculty, he was highly successful at creating a motivating impact on the intellectual development of students as he instilled in them the expectations, skills and critical thinking needed to become dental professionals.

Dr. Marshall has been an active supporter of the Taft Clinic, the National Children's Dental Health Month Clinic, and an interviewer for prospective future dental students. Nationally he has served the American Legion Post 177, Disabled American Veterans, and the Delta Sigma Delta Dental Fraternity.

The Regents now salute this distinguished dental educator for his dedicated service by naming **Thomas S. Marshall, clinical assistant professor emeritus of dentistry.**

Requested by:



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