

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Stuart A. Batterman, M.S., Ph.D., professor of environmental health sciences and professor of global public health in the School of Public Health, retired from active faculty status on August 31, 2025.

Professor Batterman received his B.S. (1979) in environmental sciences from Rutgers University in 1979 and his M.S. (1981) and Ph.D. (1986) in civil and environmental engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was a visiting scientist at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (1986, 1988, 1990), and then an assistant professor of environmental & water resources engineering at Texas A&M University (1986-1989). He joined the U-M faculty as an assistant professor in the School of Public Health (SPH, 1989), and was promoted to associate professor (1995) and professor of environmental health sciences (2002). Secondary appointments include professor of global public health in SPH and professor of civil and environmental engineering in the U-M College of Engineering.

His professional activities included research, teaching, service and practice. He directed six training grants while at the U-M. He helped to establish the Energy for Sustainability Program at the University of Coimbra, Portugal while on sabbatical (2006-2007), and was engaged in training and research programs in Austria, Finland, Italy, Portugal, Ghana, Mozambique, and South Africa. Acknowledgements of his work include two Fulbright Fellowships (Portugal) and an Honorary Professorship (University of KwaZulu-Natal). He served on air, water, toxics and lead commissions for Detroit, Chicago, Durban (South Africa), for the cleanup of one of Michigan's largest Superfund sites (Metamora), and for Michigan's Drinking Water Advisory Council established in the aftermath of the Flint disaster. His work on exposure science, risk and health impact assessment, and epidemiology have influenced regulations, building codes and environmental policies at city, state, national and international levels by advancing exposure characterizations in workplace, residential and environmental settings, with a focus on air quality, community-based participatory, epidemiological and intervention studies that engaged low-income and highly exposed communities, workers and children, and on adverse birth outcomes, asthma and amyotrophic lateral sclerosis. He has chaired 21 Ph.D. dissertation committees, supervised 48 M.S. theses, advised 43 postdoctoral trainees, authored 272 peer-reviewed journal publications, and served as the principal investigator (PI) on 58 external grants.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Stuart A. Batterman, professor emeritus of environmental health sciences and professor emeritus of global public health.**

Requested by:



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