

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

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

Jeffrey E. Mirel, Ph.D., professor of education in the School of Education and professor of history in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, will retire from active faculty status on October 31, 2016.

Professor Mirel received his B.A. (1970) and M.A. (1971) degrees from The Ohio State University. He received his M.A. (1982) and Ph.D. (1984) degrees from the University of Michigan. Professor Mirel served on the faculties of Northern Illinois University (1984-97) and Emory University (1998-2000). He joined the University of Michigan faculty as a professor in 2001. Professor Mirel served as associate dean in the School of Education from 2002-05 and was named the David L. Angus Collegiate Professor of Education from 2006-16. He also held positions in the Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies and the Weiser Center for Emerging Democracies.

Professor Mirel is one of the leading historians of education in the United States. His work explored the history and politics of urban education and the history of school reform, particularly high school curriculum reform. He authored and co-authored a number of notable books, including *The Rise and Fall of an Urban School System: Detroit, 1907-81* (1993), *The Failed Promise of the American High School, 1890-1995* (1999), and *Patriotic Pluralism: Americanization Education and European Immigrants* (2010). He published a number of important peer-reviewed journal articles in the *History of Education Quarterly*, the *Journal of Social History*, and *Social Science History*. A gifted teacher and dedicated mentor, Professor Mirel taught undergraduate and graduate courses on the history of American education, social foundations of education, education in a multicultural society, and the politics of educational administration. Professor Mirel was elected to the National Academy of Education in 2013.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Jeffrey E. Mirel, professor emeritus of education**.

Requested by:



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