

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Mary C. Ruffolo, Ph.D., LMSW, Rosemary A. Sarri Collegiate Professor of Social Work and professor of social work in the School of Social Work, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2021.

Professor Ruffolo earned her B.S. (1978) degree from the University of Dayton, her M.S.W. (1979) degree from the University of Illinois (Champaign), and her Ph.D. (1988) degree from The Ohio State University. After serving as a visiting associate professor from 1998-99, she joined the University of Michigan School of Social Work faculty as an associate professor in 1999, and was promoted to professor in 2014.

Professor Mary Ruffolo's research focuses on integrated behavioral health and primary care, the global impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on mental health and wellbeing, organizational factors that influence sustaining evidence-based interventions/programs in community behavioral health settings, adapting efficacious interventions for children and youth experiencing serious mental health challenges, and addressing ways to disseminate interventions with at-risk populations. Professor Ruffolo is currently the PI on the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) behavioral health workforce training grants in the Detroit community and was the PI on three other HRSA workforce-training grants that ended in 2015, 2018 and 2020. Professor Ruffolo served as associate dean for educational programs in the SSW from August 2006-December 2009 and from January 2017-December 2019. Professor Ruffolo also directed the SSW Office of Global Activities and SSW Continuing Education Programs, in addition to serving on several school and university committees.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Mary C. Ruffolo, Rosemary A. Sarri Collegiate Professor Emerita of Social Work and professor emerita of social work.**

Requested by:



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