

Former German professor dies

■ **FACULTY:** University Professor Jean Woods is recognized for setting new standards in German academia

By Laura Cadiz
Higher Education Editor

After 23 years of service to the University, Jean Woods, former head of the Department of Germanic Languages and Literature, died December 2 in Portland. She was 70.

Woods first joined the University faculty in 1955 as an English instructor. She joined the German department 12 years later as a teaching assistant. After being an assistant German professor and an associate German professor for 17 years, she became a German professor in 1978. She specialized in baroque, 16th century literature and 18th century literature. In 1985, she became head of the Department of Germanic Languages and Literature. Woods retired six years later in 1990.

"She was very nice to work with," said Marcia Alexander, office manager of the Germanic Languages and Literature Department. "She was had a very forceful personality, but she was fair and kind... everyone liked her."

In the 1970s, Woods became interested in learning more about German women who lived during the

time period between 1600 and 1750. Through her studies, Woods became one of the leading authorities in this subject area over the next decade.

"She helped to change completely what we know about the position and attainments of women during this period in German speaking countries," said her husband, William Woods, in the funeral eulogy.

Adding to her contributions to German academia, Woods published a book in 1984 entitled *Women of the German-Speaking Lands in Learning, Literature and the Arts During the 17th and Early 18th Centuries*. She co-authored the book with Maria Furstenwald.

"She was a person of great intellectual attainments as well as being an inspiring teacher and outstanding administrator," said William Woods.

Woods frequently visited Europe and German throughout the 1980s and 1990s, where she conducted research on textbooks, archives and museums. She loved to travel, said William Woods, and Germany was her favorite place to visit.

And she always lent a sympathetic ear to her friends, he added.

"She had many close friends and acquaintances who found her to be compassionate and sensitive without being sentimental, and genuinely interested in their ideas and problems," William Woods said in the eulogy.

Open house focuses on cultural issues

Students interested in cultural issues will be getting to know each other today. The Multicultural Center is hosting an open house for students and faculty to network in an informal setting. Representatives from student organizations will be at the Multicultural Center today between 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to provide information to students.

Refreshments will be available and students and faculty are invited to drop in.

The Multicultural Center's goal is to unite undergraduate and graduate students, faculty, staff and the community at large. The center focuses on educating students on issues of gender, sexuality, race and ethnicity.

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Architect to lecture on brickwork

An acclaimed New England architect will speak to students about "The Poetics of Brickwork" Friday. Edward Allen was awarded the 1997 Pietro Bellushi Distinguished Visiting Professorship in Architectural Design at the University. He plans to talk about his love affair with bricks during the lecture at 4:30 p.m. in 177 Lawrence Hall.

Allen is teaching two classes at the University — Architectural composition and a studio on the municipal market at Seville, Spain. The distinguished architect has written numerous text-

books which are now required reading in architecture schools across America. One of Allen's book "How Buildings Work," explains, in laymen's terms, how and why buildings are constructed.

Four awards given to University employees

Four University employees will receive the Martin Luther King Award for Classified Employees and Officers of Administration today. The recipients are Lyllye Parke, Academic Advisor in Multicultural Affairs; Marshall Saucedo, Director of Multicultural Affairs; Lara Moore, University computing and Chris Silva, Facilities Services. The Presentation will be held in the Gerlinger Alumni Lounge from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

— compiled by Dana Williams

Grad school workshop to take place in EMU

Academic Learning Services and the Education Opportunity Program are teaming up to put on a graduate school application workshop today.

The workshop will cover how to construct personal essays, personal statements and resumes for graduate school applications.

It takes place today in the Ben Linder room at the EMU from noon to 1:00 p.m.

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FAFSA deadline approaches

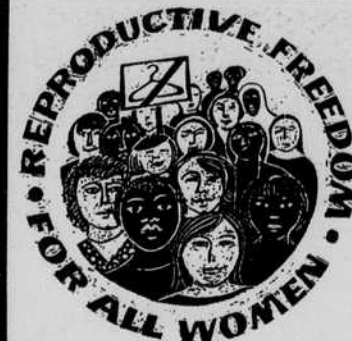
The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) deadline is quickly approaching.

Though the deadline on the application lists March 1, James Gilmour, associate director of the

University Office of Student Financial Aid, says that can be misleading. In actuality, the applications have to be processed at the federal processing center and forwarded to the University by March 1.

To meet that deadline, students are encouraged to mail the FAFSA form to the federal processor in January or early February, Gilmour suggests.

Application forms are available at the University Financial Aid Office.



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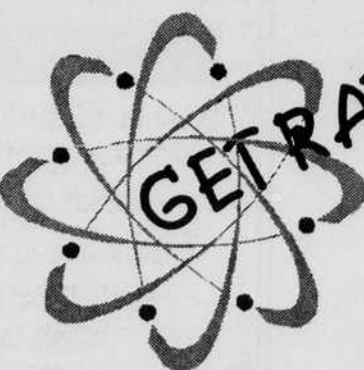
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