

Announcing the Retirement of Dr. Margo Paterson



We wish to announce the retirement of Dr. Margo Paterson. Margo has been a faculty member in the Occupational Therapy Program of Queen's School of Rehabilitation Therapy for 25 years. A graduate of Queen's University (BSc(OT), 1975), Margo joined the School of Rehabilitation Therapy, first as a Lecturer in the Occupational Therapy Program in 1988, then as an Assistant Professor in 1995, an Associate Professor in 1999, and a full Professor in 2009. She will become a Professor Emerita effective July 1, 2013.

Dr. Paterson has made major contributions to education in the School of Rehabilitation Therapy at the graduate and undergraduate levels in the Occupational Therapy and the Rehabilitation Sciences programs. Her most recent administrative role was as Director of the Office of Interprofessional Education and Practice in the Faculty of Health Sciences from 2009-2012. As a former chair of the Occupational Therapy Program between 1999-2000 and 2005-2009 and an active contributor to her profession, she has shown leadership in her field which was recently recognized by the awarding of the 2012 Canadian Association of Occupational Therapy Leadership Award at the annual conference in Quebec City.

Her scholarly contributions are within a number of areas including professional practice and theory-practice integration; interprofessional education, care, and practice; fieldwork education; clinical reasoning; and qualitative research, for which she is known nationally and internationally. She has published work in all of these areas and presented at national and international meetings. She has received extensive funding to support such scholarship.

Despite her retirement, Dr. Paterson is committed to ongoing academic pursuits in the foreseeable future such as:

- Executive Director for Association of Canadian Occupational Therapy University Programs (ACOTUP);
- Queen's lead for *the Canadian Interprofessional Health Leadership Collaborative (CIHLC)*, one of 5 Canadian universities chosen to represent North America to work with the US Institute of Medicine on a project that will lead to innovation in health education across the globe;
- Educator in the CIDA funded Interprofessional Project on Disability, Maternal and Child Health in Bangladesh;
- Educator in the International Centre for the Advancement of Community Based Rehabilitation's Online Certification Program *Disability in the Community: Community Based Rehabilitation and International Development*; and
- Educator in the course *Interprofessional Collaborative Practice* at the Bader International Study Centre.

Margo also plans to spend more time with her family especially her grandchildren

Please join us in wishing Margo the very best with the next step in her journey.