

CSULA Emeriti Faculty Biography

Name: Margaret J. Hartman

Department: Biology

Academic rank: Professor

Year appointed: 1970 **Year retired:** 2000

City of residence: Santa Fe, New Mexico

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Birth Place: Columbus, Ohio

Birth Year: 1943 **Marital status:** Married

Spouse or partner's name: Robert G. Zahary

Family information: 2 brothers, 3 nephews, 1 niece, 1 grandnephew, 1 grandniece. My father died this past summer (August 2010) at age 95+.

Colleges or Universities Attended:	Year	Degree
Cal Poly San Luis Obispo	1966	B.S. in Biological Sciences
Oregon State University	1968	M.A. in Entomology
Oregon State University	1970	Ph.D. in Entomology

Teaching Experience:		
Institution	From	To
Cal State Los Angeles	1970	1981

Courses taught:

- General Zoology
- Humans and the Biological Environment
- Human Anatomy and Physiology
- Animal Systematics and Natural History
- Comparative Physiology
- Medical Parasitology
- General Entomology
- Medical Entomology
- Graduate Seminars
- Biogeography
- Gender Differences

Scholarly/Creative Activity:

- 22 published papers and 28 professional presentations. The majority of my scientific papers centered around two long-term studies. The first was a study of crane flies affecting the unirrigated pasturelands in the Central Valley of California. The second was a study of the rocky intertidal region of the northeast Pacific, extending from Alaska to southern California.

- Later papers and presentations were higher education administrative in nature.

Administrative, Business, or Professional Experience (other than teaching):

Agency or Company	From	To
• Extramural Associates Program – National Institutes of Health	1983	1983
• California State University, Los Angeles, Chair of Biology Department	1977	1981
• California State University, Los Angeles: Assistant VPAA; Associate VPAA, Faculty and Administration; Acting Dean of Graduate Studies and Research; Interim University Librarian; Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs	1981	2000
• Overseas Family College, Singapore, Director of Assessment, Articulation, and Accreditation	2000	2002
• Zayed University, United Arab Emirates, Deputy Provost	2002	2003
• Director, SpringStart Education Group	2003	2011

Awards, Honors, Professional Recognition:

- Commissioner for ACCJC, once of the three commissions that make us WASC
- Chair of the Board of the Pat Brown Institute
- Honored Alumna of the Year at Cal Poly
- Board of Directors of the Southern California Academy of Sciences
- Member of Phi Kappa Phi (including term as president of the CSLA chapter), Sigma Xi, Beta Beta Beta, Cardinal Key and Golden Key honor societies

University Service:

- Prior to my administrative appointments, I served on a large number of departmental, school, and university level committees, including the Academic Senate. I was the Executive Secretary for the University Faculty Policy Committee from 1981-1994. I was the Executive Secretary for the Library Subcommittee for one year and the Executive Secretary for the Graduate Studies Subcommittee for one year. As Provost, I was chair of a number of University administrative committees, including Strategic Planning and Customer Service Committees. I served on a number of system wide committees, including the CSU collective bargaining team, the CSU-UC Joint Graduate Review Board, the Student Admission Advisory Committee and the Financial Advisory Committee.

Personal commentary:

I thoroughly enjoined my thirty years at Cal State LA (okay, some days more so than others) but felt that 30 years at institution was enough. This may be a throwback to my father's thirty years of Naval service, where retirement becomes mandatory after thirty years of service. I felt it was time to retire and let younger people take over.

After retirement, my husband and I left California and moved to Singapore where we both worked for a two-year college there that had an affiliation with Cal State Dominguez Hills. After our time there, we moved to Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates where I served as Deputy Provost of Zayed University and was in charge of the Abu Dhabi campus (the main campus is in Dubai). My husband started a higher education consulting business and in 2003 we moved it to Singapore. In the seven years we were in Singapore the second time, we worked in a number of countries as consultants, including Afghanistan, Fujairah, Qatar, Rwanda, and Yemen.

One of my hobbies that I am now able to indulge in is travel. I have visited 76 different countries and plan to continue to travel. I had to temporarily slow down a bit in 2009 with total knee replacements in both knees, but am ready to start up again.

My other major hobby is writing. I have written my memoirs of my first twenty-six years (ending with my earning my Ph.D. and beginning work at Cal State LA). I am currently writing a memoir of my last years in Southeast Asia, tentatively titled *Singapore Slings and Arrows of Outrageous Fortune*.

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