

Distinguished Achievement Citation

Nancy Newman Eustis

Class of 1963

Dr. Nancy Newman Eustis is a champion for the aging and disabled. Through research, personal experience and extensive writing on the subject of aging and disability, Dr. Eustis is an outstanding and effective advocate for change in the area of health reform.

A professor at the Hubert Humphrey Institute for Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota, Dr. Eustis has taught courses in social policy, aging policy, health policy, long-term care and social gerontology.

In December of 1993, President Bill Clinton appointed her to serve as Special Assistant for Disability and Aging Policy to the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Department of Health and Human Services. In this capacity, she developed a program of research and analysis to provide support for passage of health reform, as well as to build knowledge about how best to assist persons with disabilities through health and human services.

Prior to joining the faculty at the University of Minnesota, where she received both her M.A. and PhD, Dr. Eustis was a researcher and director in the health services division of the American Rehabilitation foundation in Minneapolis. She was also a visiting researcher at the Victorian Council for Social Service in Melbourne, Australia. She is the author of a number of articles for professional journals. She most recently co-edited an issue of the journal, *Generations*, on aging and disability called "Seeking common Ground." She is the author of the book *Long-term Care for the Aged: A Policy Analysis*.

Dr. Eustis has been recognized on numerous occasions for her work. She was honored as Outstanding Gerontologist by the Minnesota Gerontological Society, Faculty Fellow at the Minnesota Area Geriatric Education Center and received the Better Life Award from The Minnesota Nursing Home Association.

Dr. Eustis served two terms as an alumni trustee for Ohio Wesleyan from 1971 to 1977. When Ohio Wesleyan celebrated its 150th Anniversary, each department was asked to designate one alumnus/a from that department based on leadership, service and contributions to their fields. Dr. Eustis was chosen to be the Sesquicentennial Alumna representing the Department of Sociology.

It is a pleasure and privilege to honor Dr. Nancy Newman Eustis for her outstanding contributions to the field of aging and disability.

