Helene (Wagman) Sherman

Dr. Helene Sherman has dedicated her adult life to teaching both students and other teachers a love and proficiency of mathematics. After teaching elementary, middle and college level mathematics, Sherman joined the faculty of the University of Missouri-St. Louis, where she taught mathematics, mathematics education and STEM courses in the College of Education for more than 40 years. She is now a professor emeritus. During her career, she authored and co-authored dozens

of books and scholarly articles, including nine commercially published textbooks, one of which was translated into Korean and Arabic. and also the landmark online learning programs Digits, a middle school mathematics curriculum, and Metrics and More, a hands-on measurement. activities program for students in kindergarten through 12th grade. She has been honored over



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the years for her love of teaching, her tremendous impact on math education, her influence on K-12 mathematics instruction and her devotion to equity in the learning and teaching of mathematics in the St. Louis region.

She is beloved by math teachers who testify that her mentoring drastically improved their skills and student outcomes in their classrooms. She has received the Missouri Governor's Award for Distinguished Teaching, the Emerson Electric Outstanding Teaching Award, the Missouri Council of Teachers of Mathematics Outstanding Teaching Award, the Mathematics Educator of Greater St. Louis Higher Education Outstanding Teaching Award, the University of Missouri-St. Louis Distinguished Alumni Award, and the College of Education Distinguished Teaching Award. Sherman earned an A.B. from Washington University and an Elementary Education M.Ed. and Ed.D. from the University of Missouri-St. Louis. She continues to give back to the region through numerous volunteer and board activities.