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### **JOAN POLINER SHAPIRO RECEIVES MASTER PROFESSOR AWARD**

AUSTIN, Texas – UCEA's Master Professor Award will be presented to Joan Poliner Shapiro, Professor at Temple University. The UCEA Master Professor award is given to an individual faculty member whose record is so distinguished that the UCEA must recognize this individual in a significant and timely manner.

The attributes for choosing The UCEA Master Professor include: having a sustained record as outstanding teachers, advisors, and mentors, as attested to by students and faculty peers; taking a substantive leadership role in their academic unit, as administrators and/or leaders in educational endeavors; exhibiting a regional and national reputation as an educational leader and innovator; providing outstanding leadership in promoting and supporting diversity in faculty, students, staff, programs, and curriculum in the field of educational leadership/administration; providing outstanding public service through participation in public and/or private agencies that contribute to improving the quality of PK-16 education throughout state, national, or international arenas.

Dr. Shapiro is the author of numerous significant publications including books, book chapters, journal articles, and conference papers. Dr. Shapiro has served as professor, chair and associate dean at Temple University since 1991. She has also served as co-director of the Women's Studies Program at University of Pennsylvania from 1984 to 1988. Dr. Shapiro earned her PhD in Educational Administration from the University of Pennsylvania, followed by a postdoctoral fellowship at University of London at the Institute of Education. During her long, illustrious career, Dr. Shapiro has mentored plentiful educational leadership scholars.

All of UCEA's annual awards will be presented at its 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention in Anaheim, CA on November 19, 2009 at its UCEA Awards Luncheon. The University Council for Educational Administration is a consortium of research universities with doctoral programs in educational leadership and policy. The dual mission of UCEA is to improve the preparation of educational leaders and promote the development of professional knowledge in school improvement and administration. UCEA headquarters is currently hosted by the University of Texas at Austin.

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