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Dr. Patricia Rowe of the University of Waterloo to receive CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Education and Training in Psychology

Ottawa (June 6, 2017) – The Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) is pleased to announce that Dr. Patricia Rowe has won this year’s CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Education and Training in Psychology for her work to advance the training of industrial/organizational (IO) psychology and cooperative education in Canada.

This award is presented to a CPA member or Fellow whose has made significant contributions to education and training in psychology in Canada either through excellence in teaching, through scholarship to enhance the knowledge base in education and training, or by influencing education and training practices.

Dr. Rowe is Professor Emerita and the former Dean of Graduate Studies at the University of Waterloo. She is a true pioneer of Canadian IO psychology, having spent more than 55 years conducting research, developing and reviewing IO psychology training programs, and training many of the IO psychologists practicing and teaching in Canada today.

Dr. Rowe founded and ran one of Canada’s longest established IO psychology graduate programs at the University of Waterloo. Modelling her program after the one at McGill University where she obtained her Ph.D., the program at Waterloo follows a scientist-practitioner model. It maintains institutional linkages with consulting firms and major employers that grant graduate students internship opportunities and often hire graduates of the program. Her model of blending practical and academic experience influenced the development of IO programs at other universities across the country.

Over the course of her career, Dr. Rowe has been involved in various committees, task forces, and organizations to help advance education and training standards and settings for IO programs across the country. She has also reviewed many programs through the Ontario Graduate Association.

Dr. Rowe will receive her award at the CPA’s National Convention, taking place at the Fairmont Royal York in Toronto, ON from June 8-10, 2017. The convention will be attended by nearly 1,800 researchers, practitioners, students, and policy makers from across the country and will feature presentations on a wide array of psychological topics.

About the Canadian Psychological Association (CPA)

The Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) is the national association for the science, practice, and education of psychology in Canada. With approximately 7,000 members and affiliates, CPA is Canada's largest association for psychology. For more information, visit www.cpa.ca.

Media at the Convention

Media are highly encouraged to attend. Registered press will have complimentary access to the convention. Badges are required of all convention participants for entry into sessions and must be worn at all times. For more information, please contact the CPA's communications coordinator or visit www.cpa.ca/mediarelations/pressatconvention.

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