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Subject: Announcement of appointment of Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs in the Graduate School

Dear Colleagues,

It gives me great pleasure to announce the appointment of **Professor Dorothy Hodgson** as the Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs in the Graduate School. Dr. Hodgson is a Professor in the Department of Anthropology, where she currently serves as the Graduate Program Director and where she previously served as Department Chair. She is the President of the African Studies Association, and she has previously served as the Director of the Rutgers Institute for Research on Women, and President of the Association for Feminist Anthropology. Dorothy is an historical anthropologist who has worked in East Africa for over thirty years on such topics as gender, ethnicity, cultural politics, colonialism, nationalism, modernity, the missionary encounter, transnational organizing, and the indigenous rights movement.

She is the author of *Being Maasai, Becoming Indigenous: Postcolonial Politics in a Neoliberal World* ; *The Church of Women: Gendered Encounters Between Maasai and Missionaries* ; and *Once Intrepid Warriors: Gender, Ethnicity and the Cultural Politics of Maasai Development* . She is the editor of *The Gender, Culture and Power Reader* ; *Gender and Culture at the Limit of Rights* ; *Gendered Modernities: Ethnographic Perspectives* ; and *Rethinking Pastoralism in Africa: Gender, Culture and the Myth of the Patriarchal Pastoralist* . She is the co-editor of *"Wicked" Women and the Reconfiguration of Gender in Africa*.

Prof. Hodgson's work has been supported by awards from the Rockefeller Foundation's Bellagio Center, National Endowment for the Humanities (twice), the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation, Fulbright-Hays, American Council for Learned Societies, National Science Foundation, American Philosophical Society, Wenner-Gren Foundation, Social Science Research Council, and Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences.

Dorothy has taught graduate seminars in Culture and Capitalism; Anthropology of Development; Anthropology of Gender; and Research Design and Methods in Cultural Anthropology. She has long been dedicated to teaching and mentoring of graduate students at Rutgers as well as at other universities in the U.S. and abroad. Dorothy has served the Graduate School for many years as a member of various committees and as a panelist for workshops on mentoring and related topics. Dorothy's contributions to graduate education have been recognized through her selection to run two Social Science Research Council dissertation proposal development workshops. She was the recipient of the Graduate School's Faculty Excellence in Teaching award in 2009, and she received an honorable mention for the Northeast Association of Graduate Schools' Geoffrey Marshall Mentoring Award in 2014.

As a member of the Graduate School's leadership team, Dorothy's focus will be to update, strengthen and expand our engagement with, support of, and advocacy for graduate programs, graduate faculty and graduate students. Among many other duties, she will manage the business of the Area

Committees; serve as our point of contact for international exchange programs; and develop mechanisms for more substantive engagement with Graduate Program Directors, graduate faculty and graduate students to better listen to their concerns and needs, develop and share best practices, and develop and implement programs to meet those needs.

Please join me in welcoming Dorothy to the Graduate School.

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