We report with great sadness that Professor Gerard Voland, Ph.D., a member of our Journal’s International Advisory Board, passed away February 2, 2016.

Professor Voland received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from the University of California, Los Angeles in 1971 and 1973, respectively. He received his Ph.D. degree from Tufts University in 1989. He held faculty and administrative positions at Northeastern University (1977-99), the Illinois Institute of Technology (1999-2003), and Indiana University - Purdue University Fort Wayne (2003-10). He joined the University of Michigan-Flint faculty as a professor of engineering and provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs in 2010.

An exceptional leader, scholar, teacher and a great friend, Professor Voland was dedicated to experiential learning, community engagement, consensus building, and faculty governance. He authored a number of books, including Control Systems Modeling and Analysis (1986), Modern Engineering Graphics and Design (1987), and Engineering by Design (2004). Professor Voland’s extensive list of publications includes many peer-reviewed articles in the leading scholarly journals and a weekly column in Fort Wayne’s largest daily newspaper The Journal Gazette. A gifted instructor and mentor, he strongly believed in nurturing learning environments that promoted student academic achievement. Professor Voland will be remembered for his unwavering integrity, generosity of spirit, and keen sense of humor.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to his wife Margaret, his sons Nicholas, Alex, and Paul.

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