In memoriam

PROF. EMERITUS DORIS A. GRABER

On February 17th 2018, our international academic community lost a great mind, an inspirational role model, a pioneer colleague, that shaped our field in unique ways. Professor Emeritus Doris A. Graber (University of Illinois in Chicago) authored over 15 textbooks and 50 book chapters and lectures in political science and political communication, focusing particularly on the psychological antecedents and consequences by which media content shapes political audiences’ preferences. Her theoretical and empirical contributions, work that spans a rich academic career of over 70 years, cemented our academic research practices and inspired many generations of scholars.

Prof. Graber was the founding editor of Political Communication, served as Book Review editor for the journal Political Psychology, and received significant awards for academic excellence: Kennedy School, Harvard, Washington University (St. Louis), Jiaotong University (Shanghai), American Political Science Association (APSA), Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), International Communication Association (ICA), International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP), National Communication Association (NCA), the University of Illinois at Chicago, and Phi Beta Kappa.

The Political Communication section of the American Political Science Association recognizes the best book published on political communication in the last ten years with the Doris A Graber Award.

The passing of Prof. Graber is not just a professional loss. Doris was an inspirational figure in our field, with tireless dedication and de-
termination. On February 17th 2018 many of us lost a caring mentor, and a very dear friend. Her absence has shaken our hearts as strongly as her scholarship and drive has founded our discipline. As her farewell, she has left us with so much to celebrate in her memory.

So long Doris, and thank you!

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