# Susan J. Koch, Chancellor University of Illinois Springfield

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**Professional Experience** 

Chancellor, University of Illinois Springfield and

Vice President, University of Illinois 2011 – present

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs,

Northern Michigan University 2007 - 2011

Associate Provost and Dean of the Graduate College,

University of Northern Iowa 1997 – 2007

Coordinator, Division of Health Promotion/Education,

University of Northern Iowa 1996 – 1997

Co-founder/Co-director, UNI Global Health Corps,

University of Northern Iowa 1995-1997

(The Global Health Corps is an organization that prepares students to work successfully in public health settings with diverse populations and provides public health services to underserved groups domestically and abroad.)

Professor, Health Promotion and Education (tenured),

University of Northern Iowa 1985-2007

(Full Professor, 2000; Associate Professor, 1994; Assistant Professor w. tenure, 1988; Instructor, 1985)

Health Education Consultant,

Area Seven Education Agency 7, Cedar Falls, Ia. 1979-1980

Health/ Physical Education Teacher,

Waterloo Central High School, Waterloo, Ia. 1973-78

**Education** 

Ed.D., Curriculum and Instruction/Health Education,

University of Northern Iowa	1989
M.A., Community Health Education, University of Northern Iowa	1986
B.S., Health/Physical Education/Biology (with honors), Dakota State University	1971

#### Research, Scholarship, Creative Activity

#### **Books:**

Conflict Resolution in the Schools (w. K. Girard), Jossey-Bass, 1996
Study Guide to Accompany core Concepts in Health (w. T. Davis), Mayfield, 1991
Spread the Word, Teens Teaching Teens About Aids (w. K. Oakland), Cumulus, 1991

## **Book Chapters:**

"Human Rights," in A Social Agenda for Iowa, Hansen and Paul (eds.), The U.N. Association of Iowa, Iowa City, IA, 1997.

"Coping With Stress" in Personal Wellness, Dolgenor & Hensley (eds.) Eddie Bower, Dubuque, IA, 1994 (Second Edition, 1997)

"Healthy Sexual Behavior" in Personal Wellness, Dolgenor & Hensley (eds.) Eddie Bower, Dubuque, IA, 1994 (Second Edition, 1997)

#### **Refereed Journal Publications:**

Koch, S., Koch, E., "September 11th and Beyond: What is the Role for Public Health?," The International Journal of Global Health: Vol. 1, Number 2, July 2001.

Koch, S. "Introducing the International Journal of Global Health," The International Journal of Global Health: Vol. 1, Number 1, January, 2001.

Yehieli, M., Koch S., Brakke, J., and Basu, L., "Incorporating Health Education into Medical Missions: The Global Health Corps Experience," The Journal of Health Education: September/October, 1999.

Koch, S. and Keefe, T. "Teaching Conflict Management in Social Work," Journal of Teaching in Social Work: Vol. 18, Issues 1 & 2, pp. 33-52, Spring, 1999.

Koch, S. and Yehieli, M., "Bright Smiles, Shining Futures," Journal of School Health: Vol. 69, No. 4, pp. 162-164, April, 1999.

Koch, S. and Yehieli, M., "Preparing Health Promotion Students to Meet the Challenge of Safe Motherhood," Journal of the Iowa Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; Fall, 1998.

Koch, S. and Basu L. "Beyond Beijing: The U.N. Fourth World Conference on Women Implications for Health Educators," The Journal of Health Education, 27/3: 197-198. May/June, 1996 Koch, S. "The U.N. Fourth World Conference on Women: A Focus on Women's Health,"

Promotion and Education: The International Journal of Healthy Promotion and Education, II/4: 6. December, 1995

Koch, S. and Martinez, C. "Managing Conflicts in Changing Times"; Journal of American Humanics. Fall, 1993

Koch, S. and Decker, R. "Applying Conflict Resolution Techniques in School Negotiations: Strategies for Crafting Elegant Solution," School Business Affairs, 59/8: 17-21, August, 1993.

Koch, S. "Make Up Your Mind Day, National Oatmeal Month, and Other Opportunities to Capitalize Annual Events as Health Education Strategies," The Journal of Health Education, 24/2: 113-115, March/April, 1993.

Koch, S. and Jordan, D., "We Can Work It Out: Resolving Staff Conflicts," Camping Magazine, 65/6: 21-25, July/August, 1993.

Davis T., Koch, S. and Ballard, D. "The Nature of Seaside Style Health Promotion Conferences," The Journal of Health Education, 22/2: 73-76, March/April, 1991.

Koch, S. "If This is April, It Must Be Time for Sorry Charlie Day," IAHPERD Journal (Iowa Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance), 26/2: 23-25, Spring, 1993. Davis, T. and Koch, S. "A Thousand Teachers Who could have Helped IAHPERD..... If We had Only Asked," IAHPERD Journal (Iowa Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance), 26/2: 33-36, Spring, 1993.

Davis T. and Koch, S. "Health Interest and Behaviors of Students Enrolled in the Personal Wellness Course at the University of Northern Iowa," IAHPERD Journal (Iowa Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance), 24/1: 14-16, Spring, 1991.

#### **Book Reviews:**

Koch, S. A Whole New Mind: Moving from the Information Age to the Conceptual Age, (Daniel Pink), UNIversitas, April, 2006.

Koch, S. and Yehieli, M., Conflict and Peacemaking Across Cultures: Training the Trainers, (D.

Ruth- Heffelbower), Conciliation Quarterly; Vol. 8.2, April, 1999. [Book Review]

Koch, S. Deadly Consequences (Prothro-Stith), Journal of Health Education, 37/2:88, March 1994. [Book Review]

## **Non-refereed Publications:**

Koch, S. "Investing in early learning will help Michigan's economy," an editorial published in the Opinion/Editorial section, The Detroit Free Press, October 2, 2010, www.freep.com.

Koch, S. "Sharing What Was Learning in Beijing," an editorial published in the Opinion/Editorial Section, The Des Moines Register, March 20, 1996.

Koch, S. "Controversy at the Beijing Conference," (w. K. Koch), an editorial published in the Opinion/Editorial Section, The Des Moines Register, August 8, 1995.

Koch, S. and Roberts, R. "A Summer Journey Through Syria," an editorial published in the Opinion/Editorial Section, The Des Moines Register, August 28, 1994.

Koch, S. "Human Rights Include Women's Rights," an editorial published in the Opinion/Editorial Section, The Des Moines Register, December 4, 1993.

Koch, S. "Bulgarian Women: Centuries of Silence," an editorial published in the Opinion/Editorial Section, The Des Moines Register, August 29, 1993.

Koch, S. "School Based Clinics Fill a Void in Adolescent Health Care," (guest editorial), The Waterloo Courier, February 12, 1991.

## Technical Reports / Monographs / Abstracts:

NMU Roadmap to 2015: Academic Affairs Updates, presented to the NMU Board of Trustees, September, December, 2008; April and July, 2009; April, September, December, 2010. Annual Governance Reports on Faculty Productivity, Academic Program Review and Student Outcomes Assessment, presented to the Board of Regents, State of Iowa, September, 1998-2005.

Koch, S. and Struck, C. "Conflict Resolution Education: Building the Capacity for Democratic Schools in Slovakia," Technical Report for conflict resolution activities conducted in Slovakia, February/March, 1997.

Koch, S. and Struck, C. "Conflict Resolution Education: Progress Toward skill Development and Leadership," Technical Report for conflict resolution activities conducted in Slovakia, April/May, 1996.

Koch, S. "Initiating Conflict Management Education in the Orava Project," Technical Report for conflict resolution activities conducted in Slovakia, April/May, 1995.

Koch, S. "An Ethnographic Analysis of the Quality of Life of Bulgarian Women and Their Children," Proceedings of the International Symposium of ENCORE: The European Network of Conflict Resolution in Education, Berlin Technical University, Berlin, September 11, 1993.

## **Creative Writing:**

Koch, S. "What Does the Flag Mean to Me?" an essay published in The State Journal Register, July 4. 2012.

Koch, S. "In My View: An Ancestor's Diary Full of Lessons." an essay published in the Opinion/Editorial Section, The State Journal Register, September, 24, 2011.

Koch, S. "A Room of Her Own: The Enduring Example of Barbara Lounsberry," an essay published in the *festreicht*, Notes from the Flyover, October, 2006; North American Review Press.

Politics is Murder: An Iowa Mystery, B. Lounsberry (ed.), a serial mystery novel, authored concluding chapter, published by KUNI Public Radio, November, 2000.

Koch, S. "In Sepia," a poem published in Lyrical Iowa, September, 1999.

Koch, S. "When I was Six," a poem published in Lyrical Iowa, September, 1998 (winner of the 1998 Joan Sanford Memorial Award for poetry).

Koch, S. "Squishy, Squirming Worms in Spring," an essay published in the Opinion/Editorial Sections, The Des Moines Register, May 8, 1997.

Koch, S. "A Summer in the Cellar Learning More than Buttering the Block," an essay published in the Opinion/Editorial Section, The Des Moines Register, July 6, 1997.

Koch, S. "The Cleansing," an essay published in Northern Iowa Today, Winter, 1996.

Koch, S. "A Death in the Neighborhood," an essay published in the Opinion/Editorial Section, The Des Moines Register, February 12, 1995.

## **Selected Grants:**

"Enhancing the Quality of Graduate Education at the University of Northern Iowa," July, 2005, \$295,000, The Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust.

"Innovations in College Teaching: Using Faculty Learning Communities and Innovative Technology to Improve Learning in the Liberal Arts Core," July, 2003, \$204,000, The Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust (w. A. Podolefsky).

U.S. Public Health Service Training Grant to support the UNI Global Health Corps, December, 1999, \$750,000, (w. M. Yehieli).

U.S. Public Health Service Training Grant to support the UNI Global Health Corps, September, 1999, \$250,000, (w. M. Yehieli).

Malone Fellowship for study in Syria and Kuwait, The U.S.-Arab Relations Board, 1994, \$10,000. "In Their Own Words: An Ethnographic Analysis of Conflict and Coping Among Bulgarian Women," a funded Professional Development Leave awarded for Fall, 1995 to continue research in Bulgaria. Two additional summer fellowships, 1993 for \$4500 and 1995 for \$2250, were awarded to support the project.

"Conflict Resolution in the Schools," a grant provided by the National Institute for Dispute Resolution, 1994, \$50,000.

#### **Selected Presentations:**

"Reflections on the Presidency: Lessons Learned," presented to the Millennium Leadership Institute, AASCU, June 9, 2012, Washington, D.C.

"A Challenge for Graduates," keynote address presented to the Midstate Student Support for Teaching (MSST) program, June 10, 2012, Springfield, Illinois.

"A Message For Graduates", keynote address presented to the Golden Laurels Award Event, May 10, 2012, Springfield, Illinois.

"University of Illinois Springfield Convocation Address," August 17, 2011, Springfield, Illinois.

"Forty Under Forty Keynote Address, July 12, 2011, Springfield, Illinois.

"The Wildcat Innovation Fund: Encouraging Innovation in Challenging Times," (with Paul Lang) presented to the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) National Provost's Academic Affairs Meeting, July 29-August 1, 2010.

"An Ounce of Prevention: Building and Maintaining an Effective Partnership with your Human Resource Professional," (with A. Sherman), presented to the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) National Provost's Academic Affairs Meeting, February 3-6, 2010.

"The CAO/CFO Collaboration: Building an Effective Partnership," (with R. Koob and S. Landrey), presented to the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) National Provost's Academic Affairs Meeting, February 5-8, 2009.

"Combining Leisure and Learning to Demonstrate a Model for University/Community Engagement at Northern Michigan University," (with C. Steinhaus), presented to the 10th World Leisure Congress, October 6-10, 2008, Quebec, Canada.

"The University and Good Governance: Opportunities and Practical Examples from an American Comprehensive University,", presented to the International Conference on the Role of the University in Promoting Democratic Governance for Peace and Development, July 22-23, 2004, United Nations, New York.

"Phantoms at the Gate: Revisiting and Revising Virginia Woolf's Professions for Women," presented to the Third European Conference on Gender Equality in Higher Education, University of Genoa, Genoa, Italy, April 13-16, 2003.

"In Your Hands: The Promise of Human Rights in Iowa and Beyond," a keynote address presented to the Iowa Global Awareness Conference: Universal Human Rights—Global and Grass Roots; Mason City, Iowa, February 27, 1999.

"Conflict Resolution in Higher Education: The Department Chair as Conflict Manager," presented to the Department Chair's Retreat, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL, June 11, 1999. "Risking Resolution: Reflections on a Spiritual Geography," The Inaugural Anna E. McGovern

Lecture, University of Northern Iowa, April 7, 1997.

"Institutionalizing Conflict Resolution Education in the Teacher Education Curriculum," an

invited paper presented to the International Conference on Conflict Resolution, Sarajevo University, Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina, September 3, 1997.

"The University of Northern Iowa Global Health Corps: Building Domestic and International Alliances for Health Promotion and Sustainable Human Development," presented (with M. Yehieli) to the European conference of the International Union for Health Promotion and Education, Herzliya, Israel, November 9- 12, 1997.

"The Ballad of Dora LaPine: Conflict and Violence on the Dakota Prairie," presented to the Missouri Valley History Conference, Omaha, NE, March 7, 1996.

"Peacebuilding in Action: Preventing Violence Through Conflict Resolution," a keynote address presented to the National Violence Intervention and Prevention Institute, La Crosse, WI, July 12, 1996.

(Over 400 international, national, regional and local presentations on topics including leadership in higher education, human rights, conflict resolution and public health.)

## **Selected Other Scholarly Activities:**

Faculty Fellow: University of Iowa Center for Human Rights, 2000 – 2007 Senior Advisory Board, International Journal of Global Health, 2000 – 2007 Editorial Board, Journal of Health Education, 1993-1996 Member, UNI Graduate Faculty, 1993 – 2007

## **Teaching**

From 1985 – 2002, taught undergraduate and graduate courses in the Health Promotion and Education Division of the School of Health, Physical Education and Leisure Services at the University of Northern Iowa; developed new courses in Health and Human rights, Marketing Health Promotion Programs, Health Advocacy, Social Action and Policy Development, Conflict Resolution and Violence Prevention, New Paradigms for the Resolution of Conflict (a Presidential Scholars seminar); chaired and served as a member of numerous Masters and Doctoral Committees within the UNI School of HPER and the College of Education.

#### **Selected Professional/Community Service Contributions:**

Delegate, 2012 5<sup>th</sup> Global University Summit (an invited conference of university presidents), April 29 – May 1, 2012, Chicago, II.

Facilitator, AASCU New Provost's Workshop; February, 2010; July, 2010, Chicago, IL. Facilitator, American Council on Education Workshop; "The CAO and CFO in Difficult Economic Times: Working Effectively Together," August, 9-10, 2010, Washington, D.C.

Academic Affairs Officers of the President's Council State Universities of Michigan (PCSUM); member since 2007, Chair-elect, 2010.

Delegate, International Conference on the Role of Universities in Achieving United Nations Millennium Development Goals, United Nations Headquarters, September, 2005, New York, NY. Board of Directors, World Leisure, 2006 – 2011.

Professional Science Masters (PSM) National Advisory Board, council of Graduate Schools, 2006 – 07. Board of Trustees, Allen College of Nursing, 2000 – 07.

Founding Member, Advisory Board, University of Iowa College of Public Health, 1999 – 2007. Founding Member, Board of Directors, Bright Moves Network (an organization that provides support for immigrants and refugees in the Cedar Valley), 2002-07.

Faculty, the Orava Project, a USAID project to transform educational practices in Slovakia, 1994-2000. (Designed and delivered numerous conflict resolution institutes throughout Slovakia for K-12 educators and university faculty.)

Board of Regents, State of Iowa Regents Committee Educational Relations, 1998 – 2007, (secretary, 2000-01).

Co-Chair, UNI United Way Campaign, 1999 – 2001.

Faculty Sponsor: "In Our Hands: UNI Kits for Kosovo."

Chair, UNI/United States Institute for Peace Seminar Planning Committee Spring, 2001.

Chair, UNI Committee for Academic Program Review, 1997 – 2007.

Chair, UNI University Curriculum Committee, 1997 – 2007.

Chair, College of Education Senate, 1994-95

Delegate, United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, China, 1995.

Participant, United Nations Conference on Human Rights, Vienna, Austria, 1993.

Founding Member, UNI Ad-Hoc Committee for Conflict Resolution

# **Selected Professional Development Experiences:**

The AASCU New Presidents Institute, July 25-29, 2011, Lake Geneva, Wi.

The CAO/CFO Collaboration, American Council on Education, July, 2009.

Management Development Program, Harvard University, June, 2005.

AASCU Millennium Leadership Initiative, June 2003

Human Rights and Health, Graduate School of Public Heath, Harvard University, June, 1996.

#### **Current Associations and Affiliations:**

Trustee, the Lincoln Academy of Illinois

Member, Memorial Health Systems Corporate Board

University of Illinois President's Club

University of Illinois Springfield Chancellor's Circle

Women for Women (a Springfield philanthropic society)

Friends of WUIS Public Radio

Friends of Sangamon Auditorium

Prairie Stars Booster Club

Sangamon County Historical Society

Abraham Lincoln Association

Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society

Friends of the Art institute of Chicago

# **Honors / Awards:**

Faculty Emeritus, University of Northern Iowa

Outstanding Leadership Award, Way Up Conference for Women in Higher Education, 2001

Dakota State University Alumni Professional Excellence Award, 2000

Waterloo Human Rights Commission Human Rights Award, 1999

Iowa Prism Award, for outstanding contributions to understanding diversity in Iowa, presented by Iowa Governor, Tom Vilsack, October, 1999

The Joan Sanford Memorial Award for Poetry, Iowa Poetry Association, 1998

Joseph J. Malone Fellowship for study in Kuwait and Syria, 1994

Excellence in Service Award, College of Education, 1993
Distinguished Service Award, Iowa Assoc. for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, 1991
J.S. Latta Fellowship (awarded to year's outstanding doctoral student), 1988
Best Actress Award, Dakota State University, 1969

# Family/Interests/Activities:

Married to Dennis D. Koch, Sales Manager, Kruger Seeds (a Midwest agricultural seed company) and farmer; four children, two of whom are Grinnell College graduates and two who graduated from the University of Iowa.

Other than university activities - enjoys spending time with family, creative writing, reading, playing piano, visual and performing arts, golf, canning, pheasant hunting, traveling and raising purebred Angus cattle.