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## Carol Lawton

CAROL LAWTON, over your 37-year career at Lawrence University, you have distinguished yourself as one of our finest teachers and most accomplished scholars. An art historian specializing in the work of antiquity, you came to Lawrence in 1980 with two terminal degrees (an M.F.A. and a Ph.D., both earned at Princeton), having received a B.A. at Vassar College and an M.A. at the University of Pittsburgh. Just two years into your appointment you won the Young Teacher Award, receiving a citation that praised your ability to help students see “the many connections that can be drawn between works of art and the complex intellectual and social settings in which they originate.” In 1998, you won the *Freshman Studies* Teaching Award, and in 2004 you received the University Award for Excellence in Teaching. At the time, you were the first professor ever to have received all three of the university’s teaching awards—an accomplishment noted in the award citation, along with the observation that, as curator of the Ottilia Buerger Collection of Ancient and Byzantine Coins, you had produced an exhibition catalog with fourteen student co-authors. That catalog

has since moved online, where it has been viewed by more than four million visitors.

Your extraordinary pedagogical gifts are matched by equally superb scholarly accomplishments. Annual summer research trips to Greece have been supported by fellowships from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the J. Paul Getty Trust and the Guggenheim Foundation. Your monograph *Attic Document Reliefs: Art and Politics in Ancient Athens* was published in 1995 by Oxford University Press. In 2005, you were appointed to the Ottilia Buerger Professorship in Classical Studies. Your comprehensive catalog of Classical, Hellenistic and Roman votive reliefs of the Athenian Agora was published last year by the American School of Classical Studies at Athens.

In recognition of your many contributions to Lawrence and its students, I am pleased to award you the degree of Master of Arts, *ad eundem*, on the occasion of your retirement from the faculty.

June 10, 2018