## Alumnae association of mount holyoke college Alumnae Achievement Award 2017



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SHERYL FOULKE KELSEY, CLASS OF 1967, the Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College is pleased to honor you with the Alumnae Achievement Award. This award is presented to alumnae whose accomplishments and service to society exemplify the values and virtues set forth by the College.

Sheryl, throughout your career you have been a role model for women pursuing public health careers in statistics and epidemiology. After graduating from Mount Holyoke with a degree in mathematics and a minor in chemistry, you became the first woman to be granted a doctorate in statistics from Carnegie Mellon University, where you also received your master's in statistics. Upon completion of your doctorate, you joined the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health, where you were a tenured faculty member in the department of epidemiology and served in many roles, rising to director of the Epidemiology Data Center. During your career you have published more than 250 papers in peer-reviewed journals and received a number of research grants. In addition to your research, you taught classes and served as primary advisor to nine doctoral students and served on more than sixty doctoral committees.

You have dedicated your career to the research and design of clinical trials and registries in the fields of cardiology, diabetes, women's health, neurology, and ophthalmology, demonstrating the highest standards of scientific inquiry in a truly collaborative spirit. Your research has directly impacted women's health, investigating the epidemiology of cardiovascular risk factors in women and evaluating menopause and risk factors for coronary heart disease. A member of the Delta Omega honor society in public health, you were elected fellow to both the American Statistical Association and American Heart Association and named the Pittsburgh Statistician of the Year in 2009. Your exceptional career has led to groundbreaking research, impacting the understanding of women's health for years to come.

Sheryl, for your accomplishments, the Alumnae Association is honored to present you with the Alumnae Achievement Award on this, your fiftieth reunion.

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