

Charles M. White

Lead Editor

Charles M. White, lead editor, received a BA with honors and an MA with distinction from Michigan State University, and a PhD from the University of Southern California. His career as a professor of history began in 1952 at Portland State Extension Center (now PSU) and over the next 54 years he taught numerous courses, served as History Department chair, director of International Education, and director of Summer Session.

White was active in his profession. He contributed creatively to the development of Summer Session programs and catalogs. He is an Honorary Lifetime member of the North American and Western Association s of Summer Sessions and, because of his contributions to summer session catalogs, both organizations created a prize for best catalog called the Charlie Award. He co-founded the Northwest Council on Study Abroad, and led overseas study programs for the council and PSU.

White has a long-standing reputation as an excellent writer and editor. He wrote grants, created social science curricula for public school districts, edited for McCullough Research, contributed significantly to numerous college and university summer session catalogs, authored several chapters in the *Oregon Almanac*, and recently co-edited the third edition of *The Portland Bridge Book*.

In 2002 the PSU Alumni Association honored Charles White with its Distinguished Faculty Achievement Award. Comments at the ceremony attested to his broad range of University and community involvement, his vitality, teaching style, love of teaching, and commitment to Portland State. He has a large student following, testifying to the power of his teaching in helping change people's lives for the better and influencing their career paths.