

## CITATION

# Nomination for the Honorary Fellow Award – Professor Sue Baptiste



Sue Baptiste is nominated for the WFOT Honorary Fellow Award in recognition of her significant leadership within the occupational therapy profession at the national and international level.

Professor Baptiste has been an active member of WFOT since 1984 and assumed the role of Alternate Delegate for Canada 2010-2012. She was subsequently elected to become Vice President in 2012, a role she held until 2018. She previously held organisational leadership roles at the national and provincial level in Canada, including serving as President of the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists, Chair of the Association of Canadian Occupational Therapy University Programs, President of the Ontario Society of Occupational Therapists and Chair of the Council of the Ontario College of Occupational Therapists.

Throughout her career, Professor Baptiste contributed to the body of knowledge of occupational therapy, with a formidable record of publications, including over 40 peer-reviewed articles, five books and 28 book chapters. She successfully obtained, as principal investigator, \$3,621,455.00, and as co-investigator, \$8,190,114.00 in peer-reviewed research grants (Canadian dollars). Her extensive publications and presentations highlighted her research in the areas of professional development, competence and self-assessment, acculturation as a critical element of health system delivery and the global application of occupational therapy values, philosophy and practice. With her publication experience, Professor Baptiste served as a reviewer or editorial board member for journals around the world, including for the British Journal of Occupational Therapy, American Journal of Occupational Therapy, Turkish Journal of Occupational Therapy and Australian Occupational Therapy Journal.

Professor Baptiste was involved extensively in the development of education in occupational therapy and contributed to 125 international and national consultations relating to topics including: curriculum redesign using problem-based learning; learner-centred models; faculty roles in reform curricula; and emerging roles in health care and changing systems. Her work was informed by her leadership roles at McMaster University as Director, Bachelor of Health Sciences Program (1988-1989), Chair, Occupational Therapy Program (1998-2000), Assistant Dean, Occupational Therapy (2000-2004), and Department Education Coordinator, School of Rehabilitation Science (2014-2018). Professor Baptiste received accolades for her coordination and teaching of numerous courses as an occupational therapy educator at McMaster University, including an Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Association Teaching and Academic Librarianship Award and McMaster University President's Award for Excellence in Teaching.

In her nomination letter, Professor Baptiste was recognised for providing tremendous commitment to the advancement of occupational therapy. Her impressive record of achievements was seen as an inspiration to occupational therapists.