Brief Biographical Sketch

Susan W. Hardwick

Susan W. Hardwick, (Ph.D., University of California, Davis), is Professor Emerita in the Department of Geography at the University of Oregon and a past president of the National Council for Geographic Education. Her research and teaching specializations focus on geographic education and the geography of immigration, identity, and urban landscapes in the North American context. She has authored or co-authored eleven books and a long list of refereed journal articles and book chapters including three widely used textbooks – *My World Geography* currently being used by thousands of middle school geography and social studies students (Pearson Prentice Hall, 2011); *The Geography of North America: Environment, Political Economy, and Culture* (2012, second edition) for college and university level regional geography courses; and *Geography for Educators: Standards, Themes, and Concepts* (Pearson Prentice Hall) for pre-service and in-service geography and social studies teachers.

Perhaps best known as the co-host of *The Power of Place*, an Annenberg public television series for educators, Dr. Hardwick was most recently honored as the recipient of the Association of American Geographer’s *Gilbert Grosvenor Award in Geographic Education* and the National Council for Geographic Education’s *Distinguished Mentor Award*. During her tenure at California State University before joining the faculty at the University of Oregon in 2000, she was selected out of more than 23,000 California faculty for the California Statewide *Outstanding Professor Award*.

Prof. Hardwick currently serves on the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Geography* and is a Content Editor for the newly revised edition of *Geography for Life: The National Geography Standards*. She is also an active participant in the National Geographic Society’s NSF-funded *Roadmap for Geographic Literacy Project*; a member of the Writing Committee for the *Social Studies Core Standards* for the Chief State School Officers in Washington, DC; and an AP Geography Content Consultant for the National Geographic Society.