Woman of Distinction: Heidi MacPherson, Ph.D

Heidi Macpherson, Ph.D. is a force in her industry, and a role model for many. The seventh president of The College at Brockport, Dr. Macpherson is the first woman to hold this title. Dr. Macpherson has more than 20 years of experience in higher education as an English professor, a writer and administrator, in both the United States and England.

Dr. Macpherson has worked overseas with a number of national education bodies in the United Kingdom, and in a number of different capacities. Her positions as Chair of the British Association for American Studies, Vice President of the Research Assessment Exercise Subpanel for American Studies, Fellow of the English Association and Member of the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE) Research and Innovation Committee have made Dr. Macpherson uniquely qualified in her positions within United States.

An active member of Rotary International, Dr. Macpherson has volunteered with the YWCA and Bethany Lutheran Homes in Wisconsin. She is the Honorary Chairwoman of the New York State Special Olympics, which will be held in Brockport in June, and is actively involved with the United Way Women's Leadership Council Steering Committee and the Rochester Regional Community Advisory Council for Rochester Regional Health.

Throughout her life, Dr. Macpherson has always endeavoured to be the best and excel at everything she tried. She has succeeded with flying colors, becoming an inspiration and role model to young women everywhere.