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RETIREMENT PROFILE:  
JEROME HALL

BLOOMINGTON, Ind.--Retirement for most university professors usually means gardening, traveling, speaking, or writing books, but for Indiana University's Distinguished Professor of Law, Jerome Hall, retirement means more teaching.

After his June retirement from I.U., Professor Hall will join the faculty of the University of California's Hastings College of Law in San Francisco. Not only does this enable one of I.U.'s most honor-laden professors to continue in his chosen field--that of teaching--but it is also another honor.

Only the most distinguished law professors in the nation are appointed to positions on the Hastings faculty. They must be 65 years old or more before they are offered a position. Tenure is automatically granted, and they are allowed to teach for as long as they are capable and desire to do so.

Whatever honors are bestowed on the I.U. law professor are well earned. He is the only person to hold, simultaneously, the presidency of both the American Society for Political and Legal Philosophy (1966-68) and the American Section of the International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy (1965-66).

His writings, theories, and basic philosophies in law have won for him such additional recognition as:

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--Honorary Doctor of Laws degree in 1958 from the University of North Dakota, and the same degree in 1968 from the China Academy in Taipei, Taiwan.

--Honorary president of the Latin American Association of Sociology.

--Honorary member of the Arequipa, Peru, LaPaz, and Bolivia Bar Associations.

--Winner of the rank of the Order of San Francisco by the University of Sao Paulo in Brazil.

--Member of the board of directors of the American Society for Legal History and the American Foreign Law Association.

--Holder of Indiana University's Frederic Bachman Lieber Memorial Award for distinguished teaching.

Recognition in a different way came to Professor Hall in 1954 when he was chosen by the U.S. State Department to assist in the legal reconstruction of Korea, for which he was later named honorary director of the Korean Legal Institute, and to lecture in Japan, Formosa, the Philippines, and India.

The next year he was a Fulbright lecturer at the University of London and Queen's University in Belfast, Ireland, and in the summer of 1960 served as Ford Foundation lecturer in Mexico and South America.

Professor Hall accepted a Fulbright lectureship the summer of 1961 at Freiburg University in Germany; a Rockefeller Foundation grant the first semester of 1961-62 to study and lecture on comparative law in Western Europe; the Edward Douglas White lectureship the second semester of that year at Louisiana State University, and a State Department appointment in mid-1968 to lecture in a number of Asian countries.

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He also has given special lectures at Georgetown, Chicago, Boston, Iowa, and Cincinnati Universities.

He is the author of seven widely known books and numerous articles on criminal law and legal philosophy, many of which have been translated into Japanese, Spanish, Korean, German, French, and Portuguese.

His "Theft, Law and Society" has been called the most significant contribution to criminal law in recent years; his "Readings in Jurisprudence" was the first comprehensive book in that field in use in the U.S. and England, and his "General Principles of Criminal Law" was called by a writer in the Journal of Legal Education "the most important treatise on criminal law produced by American legal scholarship."

Born Feb. 4, 1901, in Chicago, Professor Hall holds doctoral degrees in law and legal philosophy from the University of Chicago and Columbia and Harvard Universities. From 1923 to 1929, he practiced law in Chicago, during which time he also was an instructor in public speaking and business law at the I.U. regional campus in Gary.

Other spots held by Dr. Hall before coming to I.U. full time in 1939 included that of assistant state's attorney in Cook County, Ill., and professor of law at the University of North Dakota and Louisiana State University.

He holds membership in the American Bar Association, Societe Europeanne de Culture, society of Public Teachers of Law United Kingdom, the International Academy of Comparative Law, Delta Sigma Rho, Phi Delta Phi, and Order of the Coif.