

**Karen Ozga, PT, DPT, MMSc**

Karen Ozga has been the Academic Coordinator/Director of Clinical Education for the PT program at Grand Valley State University since 1990. She received a B.S. in Physical Therapy from Wayne State University, a Master of Medical Science (M.M.Sc.) from Emory University, and a DPT from Wayne State University. She has practiced in a variety of settings, and her primary interests are in neurological and geriatric rehabilitation. She is credentialed by the APTA as a trainer for the Credentialed Clinical Instructor Program (CCIP). She is currently co-chair of the MPTA West Michigan Clinical Education Forum, and she is a member of the MPTA Awards Committee and Nominating Committee.

**Candidate Statement for Nominating Committee**

One term in a position provides the opportunity to learn the work of the position. Now that I know the work of the Nominating Committee, I am interested in using this knowledge to serve effectively in a second term. As the Director of Clinical Education for the DPT program, I have the privilege of knowing clinical educators and alumni in west Michigan and across the state. I will use these contacts to collaborate with other members of the Nominating Committee to seek qualified candidates for MPTA positions.