



Gail L. Imig

Dr. Gail L. Imig served as program director at the W.K. Kellogg Foundation in Battle Creek, Michigan for 10 years until 2010.

In that capacity, Gail developed and reviewed programming priorities and initiatives related to Food Systems Professions Education and Leadership Development for Institutional Change in Higher Education. In addition she reviewed, evaluated and recommended funding proposals and monitored and evaluated the work of grantees. Dr. Imig also provided leadership for initiatives such as Food and Society. Among her responsibilities was for liaison with the Kellogg Presidents Commission for the Future of Land Grant Universities. Gail maintains her professional contacts in the areas of higher education, leadership development, human development and family studies and rural and community development.

She is currently based at the Center for Regional Food and Food Systems and is still doing some work with WKKF Food and Community Programs.

Prior to joining the Foundation, Gail was Associate Vice Provost at Michigan State University in East Lansing. Earlier she was Director of Michigan State University Extension. In these roles, she chaired the National Extension Committee on Organization and Policy (ECOP), served on the National Association of State Universities and the Land-Grant College Commission on Outreach and Technology Transfer, and contributed to a Michigan State University Interdisciplinary Rural Family Poverty Research Team and Social Capital Interest Group. Prior to that she held the position of Associate Vice President and Director of Extension at the University Missouri.

Dr. Imig earned her doctorate degree from Michigan State University with a major in family ecology and a minor in higher education and administration. From the same university, she earned a master's degree in family studies and sociology and a bachelor's degree in home economics and biology education.

Among Gail's professional affiliations are the American Home Economics Association, Epsilon Sigma Phi, Gamma Sigma Delta, and the National and Michigan Councils on Family Relations. Gail has been awarded numerous grants in support of her work with youth and families, university outreach, and community development, and is the author of many professional papers and publications.