David Trumbull Hakes, professor of psychology, died on October 8, 1982, in Austin. He was 48.

Dr. Hakes was born on July 20, 1934, in Springfield, Massachusetts, and attended Classical High School there. He received a BA with honors in psychology in 1956 from Wesleyan University in Middletown, Connecticut, and MA and PhD degrees in psychology in 1959 and 1961 from the University of Minnesota.

Psycholinguistics was the central research interest of Dr. Hakes, who spent his entire academic career at The University of Texas at Austin, joining the faculty in 1961. His interest in language development in children and its relationships to other aspects of cognitive development led to, among other activities, the use of a customized van which allowed him and his fellow researchers to take the "rolling laboratory" to children as young as three years old. Dr. Hakes also designed and was the leading figure behind the founding of the Children's Research Lab, a component of the Department of Psychology. The CRL, which owes its existence to Dr. Hakes, is now an internationally renowned research laboratory for studying infants and young children.

In addition to publishing numerous articles in professional journals on psycholinguistics, developmental psychology, and cognitive processes, he wrote, with his colleague Dr. Donald Foss, *Psycholinguistics: An Introduction to the Psychology of Language* (Prentice-Hall, 1978).

Dr. Hakes was active in departmental governance and a staff member of the UT Austin Foreign Language Education Center for more than a decade. From 1965 to 1967, he directed the National Science Foundation Research Participation Program in his department, and he later served as cochair of the department's Human Experimental Psychology Program and chair of the Developmental Psychology Program. Many young faculty and students flourished under his devoted and wise guidance.

John R. Durbin, Secretary
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1 Graduation date updated on February 2, 2009.