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Dr. Jacquelynne S. Eccles (McKeachie Collegiate Professor of Psychology) serves on the faculty at the University of Michigan. She is a Fellow at the American Psychological Association, American Psychological Society, Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI), and National Academy of Education. She has conducted research on topics ranging from gender-role socialization and classroom influences on motivation to social development in the family, school, peer, and wider cultural contexts. Much of her work focuses on the socialization of self-beliefs and the impact of self-beliefs on many other aspects of social development. Dr. Eccles' most recent work focuses on: (1) ethnicity as a part of the self and as a social category influencing experiences and (2) the relation of self beliefs and identity to the transition from mid to late adolescence and then into adulthood.

In 1998-99, Dr. Eccles was the Interim Chair of Psychology at the University of Michigan. She also chaired the MacArthur Foundation Network on Successful Pathways through Middle Childhood and was a member of the MacArthur Research Network on Successful Pathways through Adolescence. Dr. Eccles was the Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA) program chair in 1996, has served on the SRA Council, and is now past president of SRA. She was also program chair and president for Division 35 of the American Psychological Association (APA), and chair of the National Academies of Science Committee on After School Programs for Youth. Prior to her work at the University of Michigan, Dr. Eccles served on the faculty at Smith College and the University of Colorado. She also spent two years in the Peace Corps teaching math in Ghana.

Her awards include: the Spencer Foundation Fellowship for Outstanding Young Scholar in Educational Research, the APS Cattell Fellows Award for Outstanding Applied Work in Psychology, SPSSI's Kurt Lewin Award for outstanding research, the Thorndike Lifetime Achievement Award from Division 15 of APA, the Hill Award for Lifetime Achievement from the Society of Research on Adolescence, the Mentor Award from Division 7 of APA, the Wei Lun Lectureship Award from the Chinese University of Hong Kong, and an Honorary Doctorate from The Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium.

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