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Raymond Boston

Raymond Charles Boston, an emeritus professor of biostatistics and epidemiology at the New Bolton Center at Penn Vet, died on June 29. He was 80.

Dr. Boston was born in Melbourne, Australia. He did his undergraduate and graduate studies at Melbourne University, culminating in a PhD in mathematics. He began his academic career as a lecturer at Australian National University, La Trobe University, and Murdoch University.

In 1991, Dr. Boston joined Penn's faculty as a professor of clinical studies at the New Bolton Center at Penn Vet. Starting in 1996, he also held a secondary position as a professor of biostatistics in the department of biostatistics and epidemiology in the Perelman School of Medicine. He was an active member of the Penn Faculty Senate and served on its Executive Committee. Dr. Boston retired in 2013 and was granted emeritus status.

In addition to teaching, he worked as a research scientist at the National Institutes of Health. His research as a mathematician and biostatistician spanned veterinary, medical, and epidemiological topics. In the field of biomathematical modeling, he contributed significantly to the development of the Winsaam program, which has since been used by research scientists around the world.

He is survived by his wife, Claire; his children, Sean, Marc, and James Boston; his grandchildren, Aimee, Thomas, Ryan, Jillian, Alison, Jessica, and Lochlan Boston; his sister, Leoni Mather; and nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, the family expressed wishes that memorial contributions be made to the Mental Health Association of Delaware at www.mhainde.org (<http://www.mhainde.org>).
