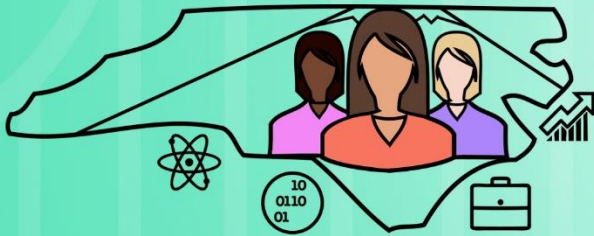




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Margaret Dardess is adjunct professor of Health Policy and Management in the School of Public Health at the University of North Carolina. She recently retired from The UNC Health Care System where she was senior advisor to William Roper, Dean of the School of Medicine and CEO of the UNC Health Care System.



Dr. Dardess joined the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2002 after 15 years at GlaxoSmithKline, where she began in 1987 in the Legal Department and became senior vice president of corporate affairs and a member of the Board of Directors.

Before joining Glaxo Dr. Dardess taught Japanese history for graduate and undergraduate students at the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana, Illinois and practiced administrative law at Morgan, Lewis & McCauley in Philadelphia and international trade law at Dow, Lohnes & Albertson in Washington, D.C.

A native of Scarsdale, New York, she holds a bachelor's degree from Connecticut College, a M.A. and Ph.D. in Japanese History from Columbia University, and a J.D. from the University of Kansas School of Law.

In her spare time, she writes fiction and recently published a thriller, *Brutal Silence*. After meeting a woman who escaped from human traffickers and hearing all that the poor woman endured, Margaret was so angry that she had to tell others about it. She chose to write an action-packed thriller as a way to make the issue of human trafficking come alive through fiction. *Brutal Silence* is the story of Alex Harrington, a resilient and gutsy young Southern woman who takes on human traffickers in her North Carolina town and in Mexico and wins.