

## The Authors

**Michael Brady** began teaching in 1977 at a community college in Connecticut. In 1984, he and his family moved to Maine where he became professor of adult education at the University of Southern Maine. His courses involve a wide range of subjects including the history and philosophy of adult education, action research, gerontology, death and dying, and the facilitation of adult learning. In addition, every summer he facilitates a travel course entitled “Baseball and American Society: A Journey,” which won a national higher education award. Mike also serves as Senior Research Fellow in the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, a “Senior College” at the University of Southern Maine designed for learners age 50 and older. His three previous books are entitled *Perspectives on Adult Learning*, *Retirement: The Challenge of Change*, and *The Spirit of Teaching*. Mike and his wife of 25 years, Nancy, live in Gorham, Maine. They have three adult children—Ryan, Meghan, and Maura.

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