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Melanie Woodard McGee, Director/Advisor-MBA Programs, College of Business at The University of Texas at Arlington, has been selected as an **Outstanding New Advisor Certificate of Merit recipient** in the **Academic Advising—Primary Role** category from the National Academic Advising Association as part of the 2009 Annual Awards Program for Academic Advising.

This award is presented to individuals who have demonstrated qualities associated with outstanding academic advising of students and who have served as an advisor *for a period of three (3) or fewer years*. The Academic Advising—Primary Role category includes those individuals whose primary role at the institution is the direct delivery of advising services to students. **Woodard McGee** is one of fifteen academic advisors honored with this award in this category in the nationwide competition this year.

Since 1983, NACADA has honored individuals and institutions making significant contributions to the improvement of academic advising. The goal of NACADA is to promote quality academic advising and professional development of its membership to enhance the educational development of students.

NACADA's membership consists of over 10,000 faculty, professional advisors, administrators, counselors, and others in academic and student affairs concerned with the intellectual, personal, and vocational needs of students. In addition, NACADA is the representative and advocate of academic advising and those providing that service to higher education.

Woodard McGee will be honored and presented with this award in San Antonio, Texas during the NACADA Annual Conference this fall.

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