



FACULTY AWARDS

SPRING MEETING OF THE FACULTY AND ASSOCIATES

April 28, 2016

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON

Outstanding Research Achievement or Creative Accomplishment

This award recognizes faculty members for particularly noteworthy research or creative accomplishment during the past three years.

This year's award recipient is:

Heng Huang
Professor
Department of Computer Science
and Engineering

Distinguished Record of Research or Creative Activity

This award recognizes faculty members for achieving a distinguished record of research and scholarship or creative activity over an extended period of time. The winner receives a Research Enhancement Program grant.

This year's award recipient is:

Christopher Kribs
Professor
Department of Mathematics
Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Academy of Distinguished Scholars

The Academy of Distinguished Scholars fosters and advocates for the importance of research and creative activity, promotes a sense of community among scholars, and advises on research practices and policies. Each inductee receives a permanent salary increase.

This year's inductees are:

Ann Cavallo
Associate Dean for Research and Graduate
Studies and Professor
Department of Curriculum and Instruction

J.-C. Chiao
Janet and Mike Greene Professor, Jenkins
Garrett Professor
Department of Electrical Engineering

Maria Scannapieco
Professor
School of Social Work

Weidong Zhou
Professor
Department of Electrical Engineering

Academy of Distinguished Teachers

This award recognizes tenured faculty for a sustained record of outstanding teaching, personal commitment to students and the learning process, and the ability to motivate and inspire students. Academy members receive a permanent salary increase.

This year's inductees are:

Theresa Jorgensen
Associate Professor
Department of Mathematics

Kent Lawrence
Professor
Department of Mechanical and Aerospace
Engineering

Piper Professor Nominee

Each year, the Minnie G. Stevens Piper Foundation awards 10 Texas Piper Professorships for outstanding scholarly and academic achievement, and exemplary service to the University and the community. UTA's nominee will be recognized today with a plaque and an honorarium, and will represent the University in the statewide competition this fall.

This year's UTA nominee is:

Robert Woods
Professor
Department of Mechanical and Aerospace
Engineering

President's Award for Excellence in Teaching

The President's Award for Excellence in Teaching recognizes teaching that is inspiring, effective, and innovative.

This year's recipient is:

Laura Mydlarz
Associate Professor
Department of Biology

Provost's Award for Excellence in Teaching

The Provost's Award for Excellence in Teaching honors non-tenure track instructors who have demonstrated a record of excellence in teaching, strong personal commitment to students, and the ability to motivate, challenge, and inspire.

This year's award recipient is:

Kathryn Warren
Senior Lecturer
Department of English

William S. Ward Endowment Award

This prize was established to honor the life and contributions of UTA faculty member Bill Ward. It recognizes a non-tenure track faculty member who has an exemplary work ethic, loves working with students, and makes a significant impact on enhancing the goals of the University.

This year's recipient is:

Seiichiro Tanizaki
Assistant Professor in Practice
Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

UT System Academy of Distinguished Teachers

The UT System Academy of Distinguished Teachers is a System-level advisory and advocacy body committed to improving undergraduate education across the UT System. Each year the membership committee of the Academy selects three to five new members from the pool of more than 400 previous winners of the Regents' Outstanding Teachers Award winners. This year only three new members were selected. Two were from UTA.

Kevin Schug
Professor
Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

Barbara Shipman
Associate Professor
Department of Mathematics

Doctoral Student Mentoring Award

This award, sponsored by the Office of Graduate Studies, is given to tenured or tenure-track faculty for outstanding mentoring of doctoral students.

This year's award recipient is:

Stacy Alaimo
Professor
Department of English

President's Award for Excellence in Distance Education Teaching

This award recognizes an individual who is an outstanding instructor in the area of web-based distance education. This teacher has demonstrated excellence in distance education teaching, creating quality interaction with and showing exemplary responsiveness to UTA's digital learners.

This year's award recipient is:

LaShaunn Bold
Assistant Professor of Practice
School of Social Work

Outstanding Academic Advisor

PROFESSIONAL ADVISOR AWARD

LaDonna Croffe

Professional Advisor
Department of Marketing

ACADEMIC FACULTY ADVISOR AWARD

Bethany Shaffer

Faculty Advisor
Department of English

HONORABLE MENTIONS

Barrie Hill

Professional Advisor
Department of Communication

Megan Juel

Professional Advisor
Department of Psychology

Nancy Michael

Faculty Advisor
Department of Mechanical and Aerospace
Engineering

Julie Nieves

Professional Advisor
Department of Economics, Finance, and Real
Estate

Anastasia Whitaker

Professional Advisor
Department of Biology

Faculty Mentoring Program

The following faculty served as mentors for junior faculty in the University-wide Faculty Mentoring Program during the 2015-16 academic year.

Randall Basham

Associate Professor
School of Social Work

Holly Hungerford-Kresser

Associate Professor
Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Jim Grover

Professor
Department of Biology

Heather Jacobsen

Associate Professor
Department of Sociology and Anthropology

Carl Lovely

Professor, Distinguished Teaching Professor
Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

Robin Macaluso

Associate Professor
Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

Tom Marshall

Professor
Department of Political Science

Andy Milson

Professor
Department of History

Lynn Peterson

Senior Associate Dean, Professor
Department of Computer Science and
Engineering

Barbara Raudonis

Associate Professor
Department of Nursing

Brent Sasley

Associate Professor
Department of Political Science

Peggy Semingson

Associate Professor
Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Barbara Tobolowsky

Associate Professor
Department of Educational Leadership and
Policy Studies

Maria Trache

Associate Professor
Department of Educational Leadership and
Policy Studies

Matthew Wright

Associate Professor
Department of Computer Science and
Engineering

McNair Scholars Program Faculty Mentors

The following faculty served as mentors for undergraduate students in the McNair Scholars Program during summer 2015.

Priscila Caçola

Assistant Professor
Department of Nursing

Karishma Chatterjee

Assistant Professor
Department of Communication Studies

Benito Chen-Charpentier

Professor
Department of Mathematics

Barbara Chiarello

Senior Lecturer
Department of English

Naomi Cleghorn

Assistant Professor
Department of Sociology and Anthropology

Crystal Elerson

Senior Lecturer
Department of English

Schnavia Hatcher

Professor, Director for the Center for African
American Studies
School of Social Work

Graham Hunt

Associate Professor
Department of Music

Jared Kenworthy

Associate Professor
Department of Psychology

Young-tae Kim

Associate Professor
Department of Bioengineering

Qing Lin

Associate Professor
Department of Psychology

Nicolette Hass (Lopez)

Professor in Practice
Department of Psychology

Samarendra Mohanty

Assistant Professor
Department of Physics

Gerald Saxon

Associate Professor
Department of History

John Smith

Professor
Department of Curriculum and Instruction

James Warren

Associate Professor
Department of English

Faculty Development Leaves for 2016-17

George Benson Associate Professor Department of Management	Chaoqun Liu Professor Department of Mathematics
Bernd Chudoba Associate Professor Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering	Ramon Lopez Professor Department of Physics
Amir Farbin Associate Professor Department of Physics	Dwain Ya'Ke Smith Associate Professor Department of Art and Art History
Penelope Ingram Associate Professor Department of English	Jodi Tommerdahl Associate Professor Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Strategic Research Appointments for 2016-17

Woo-Suk Chang Associate Professor Department of Biology	"Global Environment Impact: Impact of Elevated Atmospheric CO ₂ and Role of Biological N Fixation on Global Climate Change"
Hanli Liu Professor Department of Bioengineering	"Advanced Training in Integrated Technologies for Functional Brain Imaging"
Baohong Yuan Associate Professor Department of Bioengineering	"Imaging Nano-Drug Delivery in Diseased Tissues Towards Personalized Nano-Medicine"

Research Enhancement Program Grants for 2016-17

Donelle Barnes Associate Professor Department of Nursing	"Blood Pressure Self-Care Intervention in Spanish-Speaking Mexican American Adults"
Alejandro Bugarin Assistant Professor Department of Chemistry	"Elimination of Trace Metallic Impurities in Drug Syntheses"
Shawn Christensen Associate Professor Department of Biology	"Structure and Function of a Genomic Parasite: Probing the Globular Domain Structure of the R2 Integration Complex"
Heather Jacobson Associate Professor Department of Sociology and Anthropology	"The Social Consequences of Embryo Cryopreservation"
Leisa A. Martin Assistant Professor Department of Curriculum and Instruction	"Re-conceptualizing Citizenship Engagement"
Craig Nagoshi Associate Professor Department of Psychology	
Linda Perrotti Associate Professor Department of Psychology	"Sex Differences and Brain Circuitry Underlying the Antidepressant Effects of Ketamine in Females"
Shouyi Wang Assistant Professor Department of Industrial Manufacturing and Systems Engineering	"Integrated Brain Network Modeling to Improve Pre-Surgical Evaluation of Epilepsy"
Jeffrey D. Witzel Associate Professor Department of Linguistics	"Second Language Reading Development and Eye Movement Control"
Zhiyong Yang Associate Professor Department of Marketing	"How to Enhance the Effectiveness of Anti-Smoking Messages in Curtailing Teen Smoking: Role of Communication Channels and Message Type"

