FACULTY AWARDS

12TH ANNUAL

Wednesday
February
Twenty-eighth
two thousand eighteen

MENU

SALAD

Baby Wedge Salad
Creamy Oregano Dressing, Candied Pecans,
Grapefruit, Breakfast Radishes

ENTRÉE SELECTIONS

Red Wine Braised Beef Rib
Creamed Brussels Gratin, Blueberry Bordelaise

VEGETARIAN

Smoky Vegan Cassoulet
Crispy Carrot Strands

DESSERT

Apple Fritter Doughnut
Vanilla Ice Cream, Apple Chips,
Warm Goat's Milk Caramel

ORDER OF EVENTS

PRESIDING

Amy Wright
Associate Dean for Instruction and Professor, College of Agriculture

DINING

WELCOME

Dr. Steven Leath
Auburn University President

CONGRATULATIONS

Bob Dumas
Auburn University Board of Trustees

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE FACULTY LECTURESHIP

Presented by Mrs. Gretchen VanValkenburg
Vice President for Alumni Affairs and Executive Director of Auburn Alumni Association

ALUMNI UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Presented by Mrs. VanValkenburg

NEW ALUMNI PROFESSORS

Presented by Mrs. VanValkenburg

GARY BROWN ePORTFOLIO PROJECT FACULTY COHORT AWARD

Presented by Dr. Bill Hardgrave
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

DEPARTMENTAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

Presented by Dr. Hardgrave

PRESIDENT'S OUTSTANDING COLLABORATIVE UNITS AWARD

Presented by Dr. Hardgrave

PROVOST AWARD FOR FACULTY EXCELLENCE IN UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH MENTORING

Presented by Dr. Hardgrave

RESEARCH ADVISORY BOARD ADVANCEMENT OF RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Presented by Dr. John Mason
Vice President for Research and Economic Development

CREATIVE RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Presented by Dr. Mason

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN FACULTY OUTREACH

Presented by Dr. Royrickers Cook
Vice President and Associate Provost for University Outreach

THE GERALD AND EMILY LEISCHUCK ENDOWED PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

Presented by Dr. Hardgrave

CLOSING REMARKS

Dr. Hardgrave

FACULTY AWARDS

DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE FACULTY LECTURESHIP: *Recognizes faculty for service in support of graduate education and excellence in research.*

ALUMNI UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD: *Recognizes the outstanding teaching of undergraduates from nominations made by department heads, deans, alumni, and students. A committee of retired faculty selects the recipients.*

ALUMNI PROFESSOR: *Recognizes 25 faculty members for research, publishing, and teaching by awarding five-year, nonrenewable professorships through the Auburn Alumni Association. The Alumni Writer-in-Residence, a creative writer from the English faculty, is the only ongoing appointment.*

GARY BROWN ePORTFOLIO PROJECT FACULTY COHORT AWARD: *Recognizes individuals or teams of two to five faculty members from a program, department, or college who have exhibited exemplary leadership in promoting the ePortfolio Project Faculty Cohort and have been engaged in practices that support the implementation of ePortfolios at Auburn.*

DEPARTMENTAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION: *Presented by the University Senate, this award recognizes the efforts of departmental faculty for their commitment to improving education at the undergraduate and graduate levels.*

PRESIDENT'S OUTSTANDING COLLABORATIVE UNITS AWARD: *Presented to Auburn units whose collaborative efforts result in unique exemplary service or academic excellence within the university and the community.*

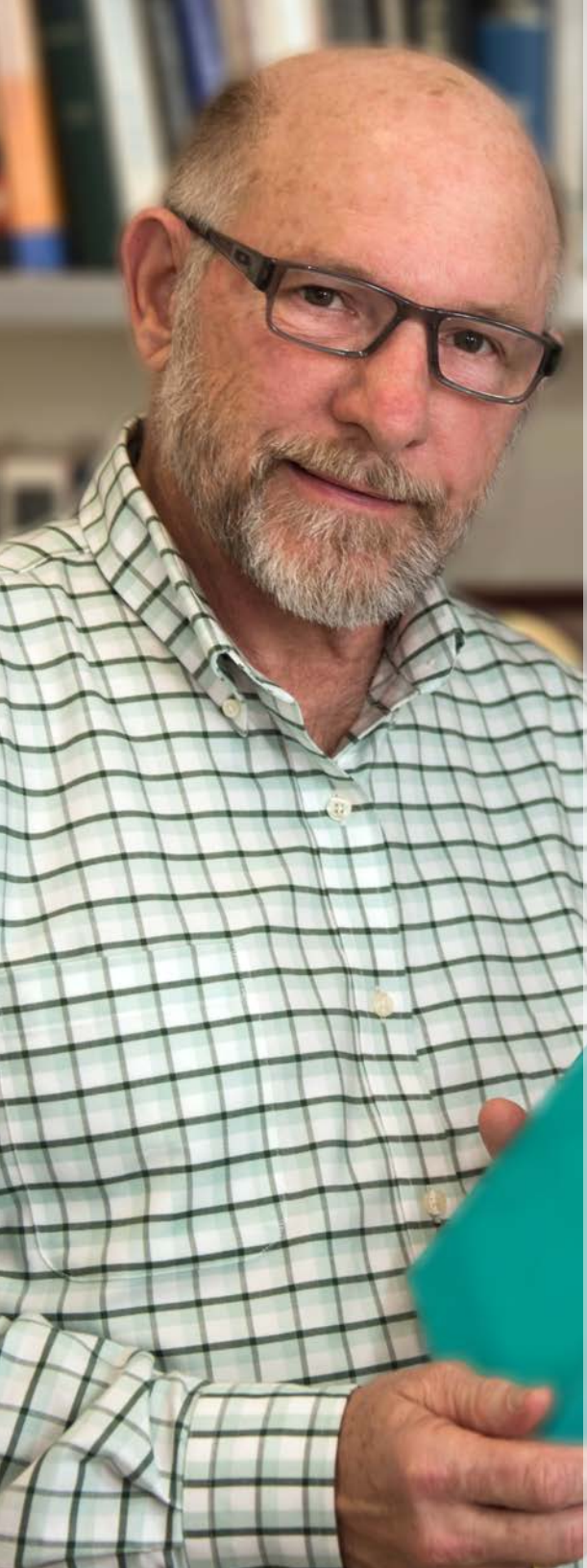
PROVOST AWARD FOR FACULTY EXCELLENCE IN UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH MENTORING: *Recognizes sustained efforts to promote excellence in undergraduate scholarship through research.*

RESEARCH ADVISORY BOARD ADVANCEMENT OF RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD: *Recognizes high quality, competitive research, and scholarly activity that exemplifies and advances Auburn's research and scholarship mission.*

CREATIVE RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP AWARD: *Honors the research achievements and contributions of Auburn faculty who have distinguished themselves through research, scholarly works, and/or creative contributions to their fields.*

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN FACULTY OUTREACH: *Honors the engagement of exemplary faculty members and demonstrates the tremendous impact Outreach has on our community, state, and nation.*

THE GERALD AND EMILY LEISCHUCK ENDOWED PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING: *Honors two full-time, tenured faculty members who have demonstrated effective and innovative teaching methods and a continuing commitment to student success through advising and mentoring inside and outside the classroom.*

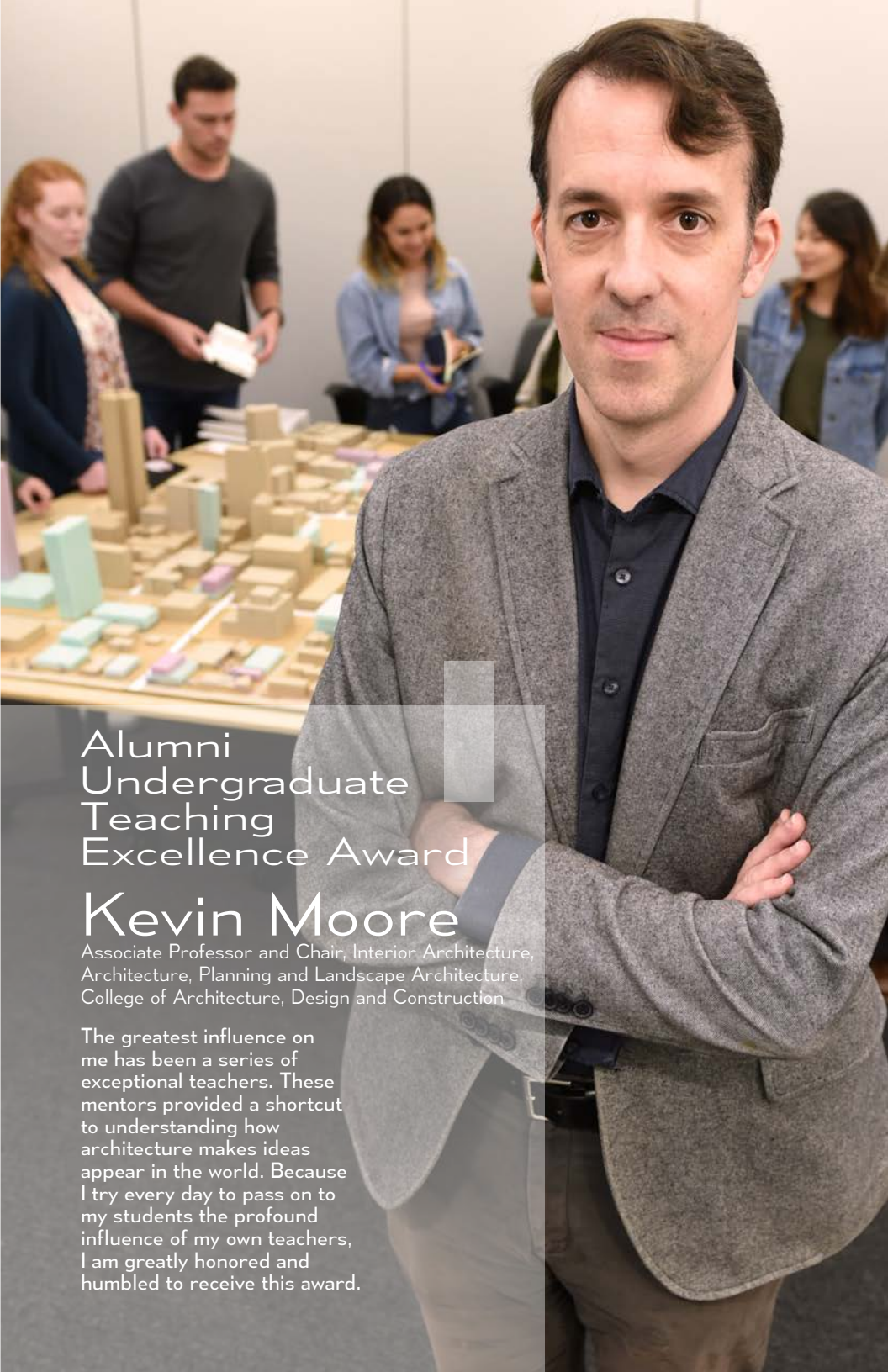


Distinguished Graduate Faculty Lectureship

Henry W. Kinnucan

Alumni Professor, Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, College of Agriculture

The primary focus of my research is the effects of public policies on agricultural prices, production, trade, the environment, and economic welfare. The public policies examined include generic advertising, antidumping duties, state and federal subsidies for K-12 education, and subsidies for grassland protection. My recent research examines the effect of aquaculture on fish prices worldwide.



Alumni Undergraduate Teaching Excellence Award

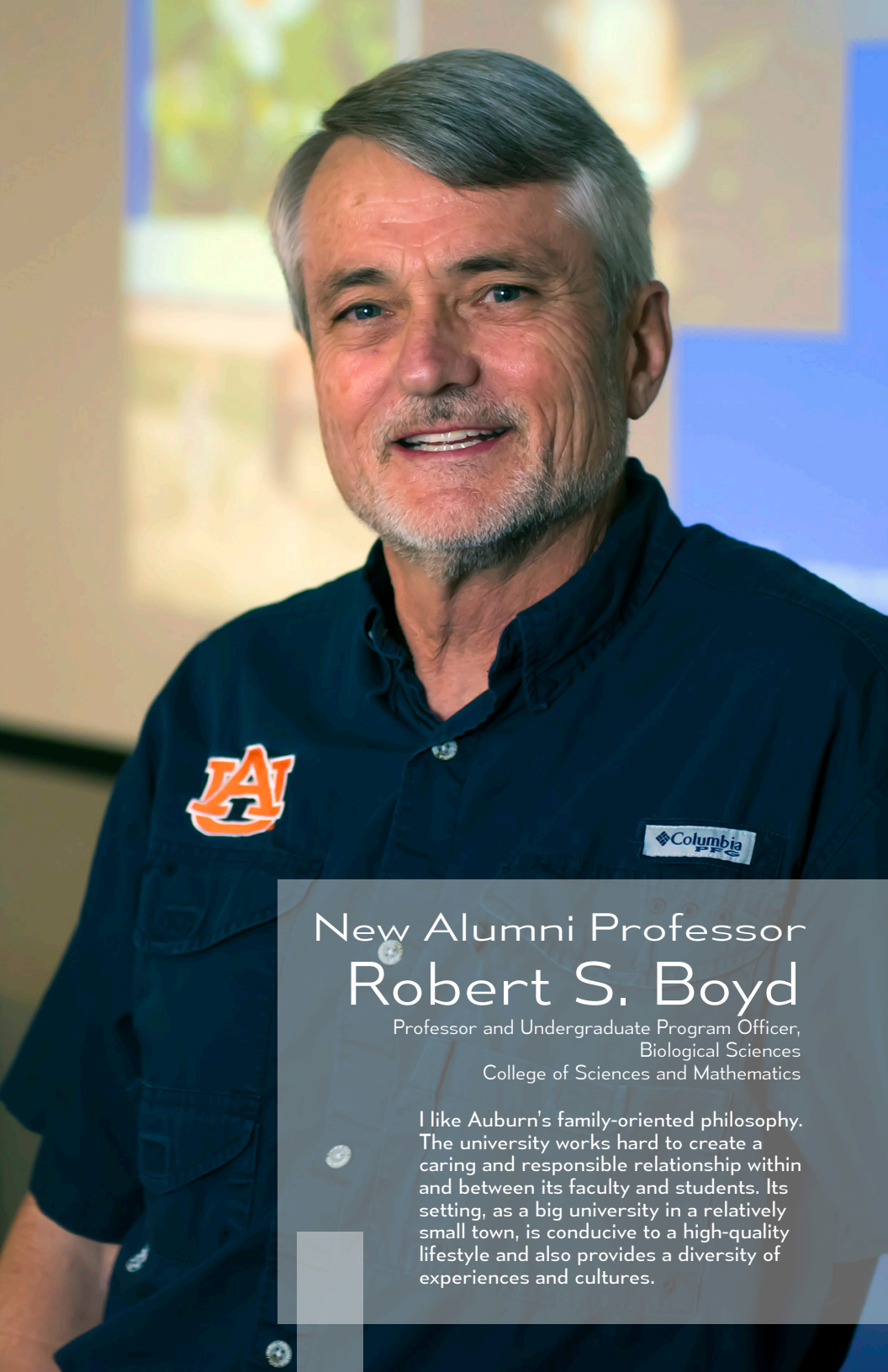
Kevin Moore

Associate Professor and Chair, Interior Architecture, Architecture, Planning and Landscape Architecture, College of Architecture, Design and Construction

The greatest influence on me has been a series of exceptional teachers. These mentors provided a shortcut to understanding how architecture makes ideas appear in the world. Because I try every day to pass on to my students the profound influence of my own teachers, I am greatly honored and humbled to receive this award.

New Alumni Professor
Kira L. Bowen

Professor, Entolmology and Plant Pathology,
College of Agriculture

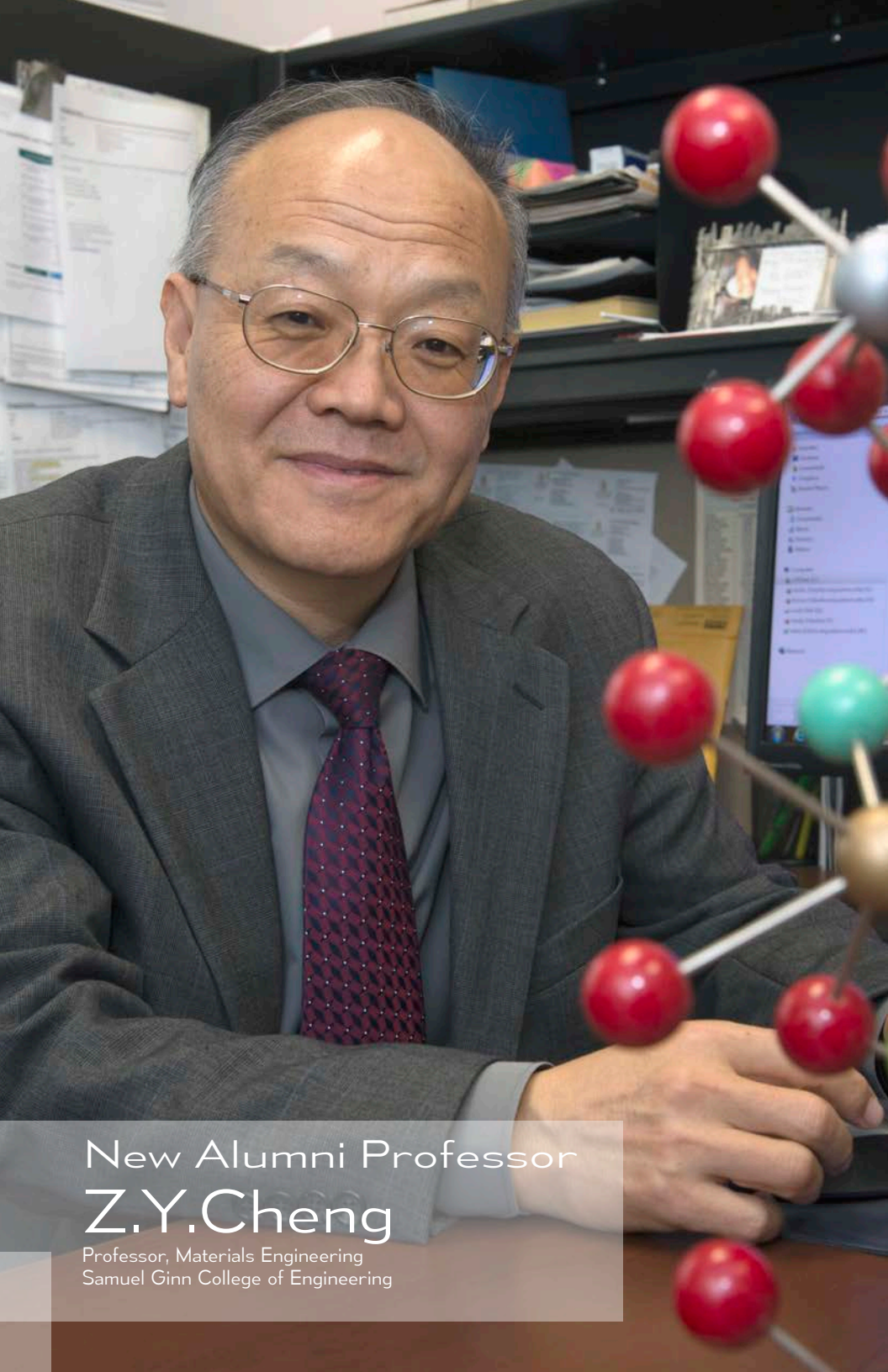


New Alumni Professor

Robert S. Boyd

Professor and Undergraduate Program Officer,
Biological Sciences
College of Sciences and Mathematics

I like Auburn's family-oriented philosophy. The university works hard to create a caring and responsible relationship within and between its faculty and students. Its setting, as a big university in a relatively small town, is conducive to a high-quality lifestyle and also provides a diversity of experiences and cultures.



New Alumni Professor

Z.Y.Cheng

Professor, Materials Engineering
Samuel Ginn College of Engineering

New Alumni Professor

Scott McElroy

Professor, Crop Soil and Environmental Science
College of Agriculture

One thing I love about being a professor at Auburn is the fact I am leaving a legacy. Students in my department have taken my Principles of Weed Science class for 10 years, and it is thoroughly enjoyable to me to hear past students commiserate with current students or students from different years regarding the enjoyment (difficulty) of the class. To know I am creating this shared experience (misery) that students have throughout my career at Auburn is very rewarding. I feel by being an effective teacher, I am helping create greater connection to the university, thus deepening their connection as alumni.

CURRENT ALUMNI PROFESSORS

Sushil Adhikari ..... Biosystems Engineering

Ellen Behrend ..... Veterinary Clinical Sciences

Art Chappelka..... Forestry and Wildlife Sciences

D. Allen Davis ..... Fisheries and Allied Aquacultures

Virginia Davis..... Chemical Engineering

Oladiran Fasina..... Agriculture Biosystems Engineering

Valentina Hartarska ..... Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology

Peter Johnson..... Mathematics and Statistics

Dong-Joo Kim..... Mechanical Engineering

Henry Kinnucan..... Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology

Yu Lin ..... Physics

Nannan Liu..... Entomology and Plant Pathology

Herbert Jack Rotfeld..... Marketing

Lisa Samuelson..... Forestry and Wildlife Sciences

Haroldo Toro ..... Veterinary Pathobiology

Gary Brown ePortfolio Project

Mark Dougherty

Associate Professor, Biosystems Engineering, Samuel Ginn College of Engineering

Puneet Srivastava

Professor and Butler-Cunningham Eminent Scholar, Biosystems Engineering, Samuel Ginn College of Engineering

Timothy McDonald

Professor, Biosystems Engineering, Samuel Ginn College of Engineering

Faculty Cohort Award

Oladiran Fasina

Department Head and Alumni Professor, Biosystems Engineering, Samuel Ginn College of Engineering

Sushil Adhikari

Alumni Professor and Director, Center for Bioenergy and Bioproducts Biosystems Engineering, Samuel Ginn College of Engineering

Departmental Award for Excellence in Education

A. Ayayi

M. Bozack

R. Comer

S. Dhar

J. Dong

D. Ennis

M. Fogle

N. Giordano

L. Guazzotto

J. Hanson

G. Hartwell

A. Kolarkar

Department of Physics

U. Konopka

M. Kuroda

A. Landers

G. Laurent

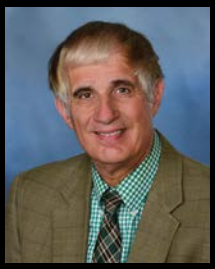
Y. Lin

K. Lin

D. Maurer

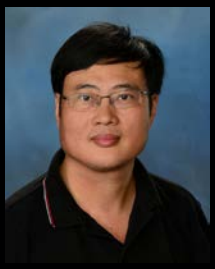
M. Park

J. Perez



M. Pindzol

E. Thomas



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President's Outstanding Collaborative Units Award

Terrill "Terry" Richard Hanson

Professor and Extension Specialist, Fisheries, Aquaculture and Aquatic Sciences, College of Agriculture

Tung-shi Huang

Professor, Poultry Science, College of Agriculture

Daniel E. Wells

Assistant Professor, Horticulture, College of Agriculture

Aquaponics Working Group

Glenn Loughridge
Director of Campus Dining

David Blersch
Assistant Professor, Biosystems Engineering, Samuel Ginn College of Engineering

Jesse Chappell
Associate Professor and Extension Specialist, Fisheries, Aquaculture and Aquatic Sciences, College of Agriculture

President's Outstanding Collaborative Units Award

Jacqueline Kochak
Communications Specialist,
Food Systems Institute

Glenn Loughridge
Director of Campus Dining,
Dining Services

Karen Hunley
Communications Specialist,
Food Systems Institute

Savannah Mehren
Specialist, Contracts and
Grants, Food Systems Institute

Food Entrepreneur Working Group

Patti West

Outreach Programs Administrator
Alabama Cooperative Extension System Food Safety Team

Regina Crapps

Academic Program Administrator
Food Systems Institute

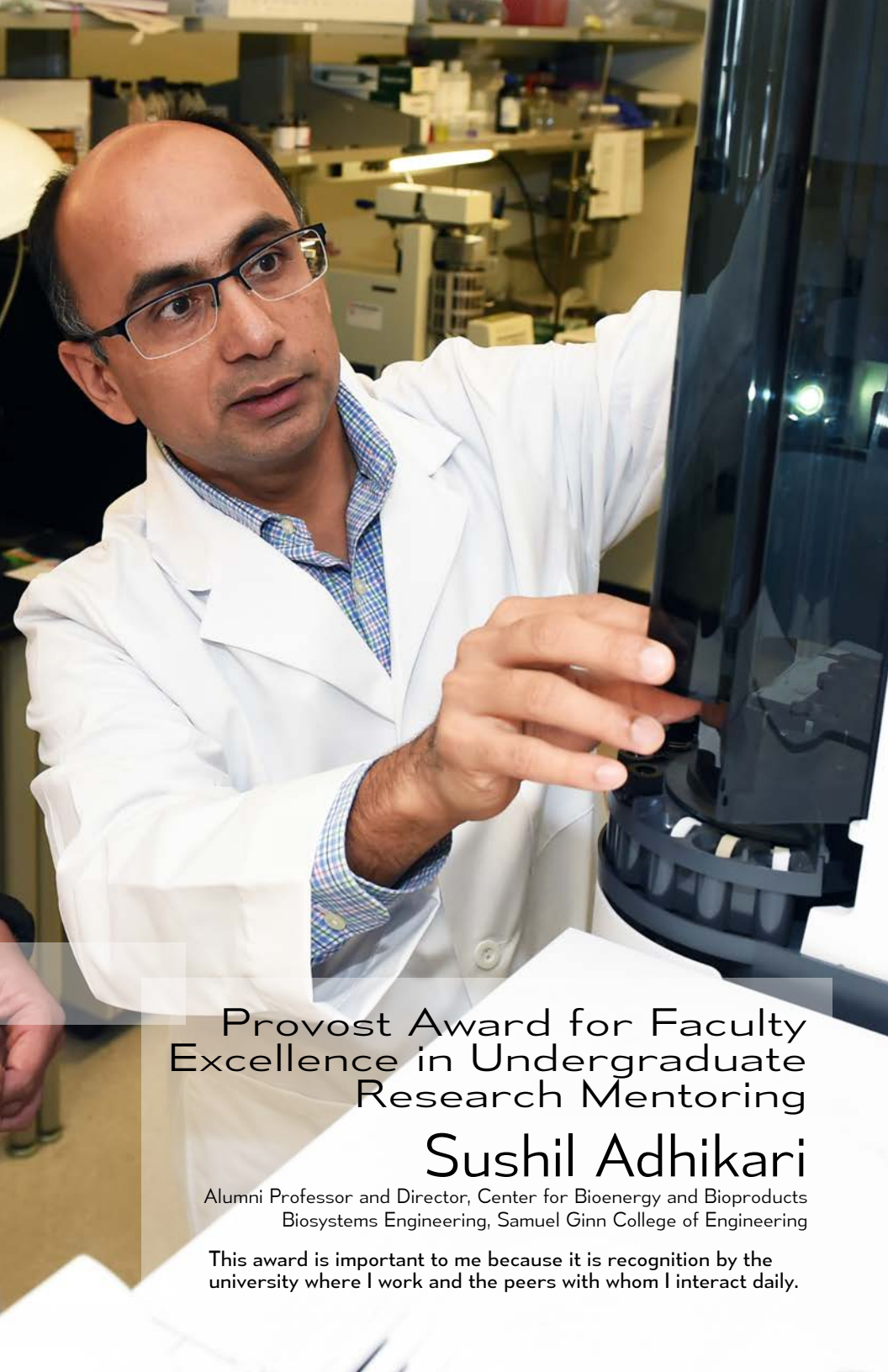
Christy Bratcher

Associate Professor
Animal Sciences, College of Agriculture, and Director, Food System Institute

Jean Weese

Professor, Poultry Science, College of Agriculture, and Associate Director, Food System Institute

Terrill "Terry" Richard Hanson
(Not Pictured)



Provost Award for Faculty Excellence in Undergraduate Research Mentoring

Sushil Adhikari

Alumni Professor and Director, Center for Bioenergy and Bioproducts
Biosystems Engineering, Samuel Ginn College of Engineering

This award is important to me because it is recognition by the university where I work and the peers with whom I interact daily.

Research Advisory Board Advancement of Research and Scholarship Achievement Award

Mona El-Sheikh

Leonard Peterson & Co. Inc. Professor,
Human Development and Family Studies
College of Human Sciences

I am grateful to all of my collaborators, the faculty, administrators, students, and support personnel at Auburn for the innumerable ways they have contributed to my research projects over the years. I am always gratified that when I receive reviews of grant proposals, the "Research Environment" category is one I am always confident will be rated highly.

Creative Research and Scholarship Award

Kenneth M. Halanych

Alumni Professor and Schneller Endowed Chair, Biological Sciences
College of Sciences and Mathematics

Creative Research and Scholarship Award

Chris Newland

Alumni Professor, Psychology
College of Liberal Arts

I have been fortunate to have had extraordinary graduate students to work with. They have stretched me in countless ways. I have learned much from every one—all have left an important impression and have made me a better scientist and a better teacher, I like to think. The undergraduates I encounter in class ask questions I would never have thought of. One of my favorite experiences in the undergraduate classroom is to be able to say, "I don't know, let me get back to you." By the time I've answered the question, both of us have learned something important.

Award for Excellence in Faculty Outreach

Donald Mulvaney

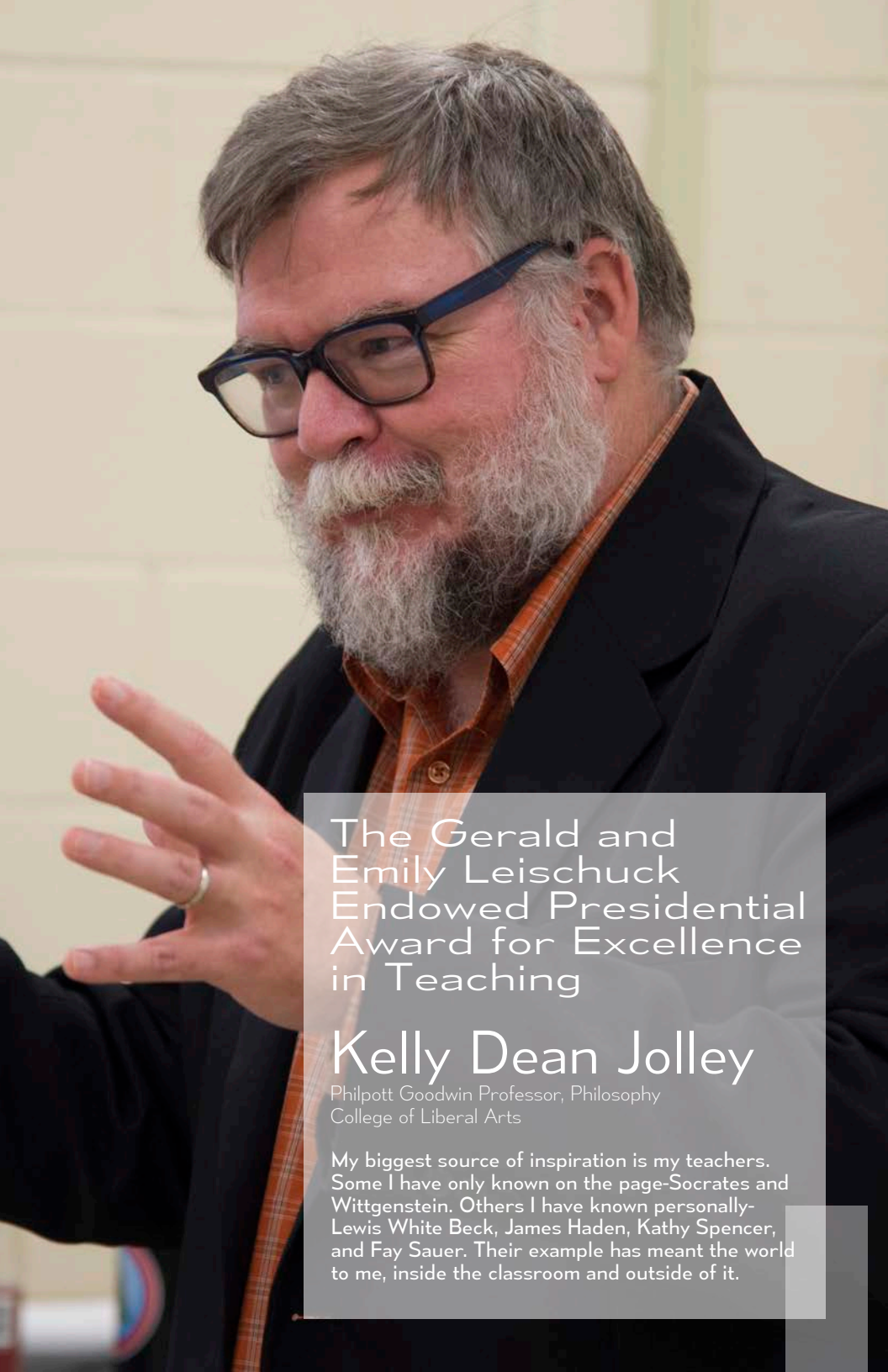
Associate Professor, Animal Sciences
College of Agriculture

The Gerald and Emily Leischuck Endowed Presidential Award for Excellence in Teaching

Christy Bratcher

Associate Professor, Department of Animal Sciences, College of Agriculture, and Director, Food Systems Institute

This award is so important to me because it has made me realize I am doing exactly what I need to be doing and I am exactly where I need to be. Although I did not seek a career to win awards, I am certainly proud that my contribution to the lives of students was thought of as a worthy contribution to their lives. What I am sure that the students do not realize is that they are quite possibly more cherished by me than I am by them.



The Gerald and Emily Leischuck Endowed Presidential Award for Excellence in Teaching

Kelly Dean Jolley

Philpott Goodwin Professor, Philosophy
College of Liberal Arts

My biggest source of inspiration is my teachers. Some I have only known on the page-Socrates and Wittgenstein. Others I have known personally-Lewis White Beck, James Haden, Kathy Spencer, and Fay Sauer. Their example has meant the world to me, inside the classroom and outside of it.

Master of Ceremonies
Amy Wright
Associate Dean for Instruction and Professor, College of Agriculture
AUBURN

The Gerald and Emily Leischuck Endowed Presidential Award for Excellence in Teaching

2006

JOSEPH KICKLIGHTER
HISTORY
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

ROBERT LISHAK
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

2007

PAMELA BOYD
CURRICULUM AND TEACHING
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

ROLAND DUTE
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

2008

DANIEL D. BUTLER
MARKETING
HARBERT COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

STEVEN KINCAID
ANATOMY, PHYSIOLOGY AND PHARMACOLOGY
COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

2009

MARY MENDONCA
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

SUSHIL BHAVNANI
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
SAMUEL GINN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

2010

DONNA BOHANAN
HISTORY
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

ELIZABETH GUERTAL
AGRONOMY AND SOILS
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

2011

LEONARD BELL
POULTRY SCIENCE
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

MARK BYRNE
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING
SAMUEL GINN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

2012

ANDREW FREEAR
ARCHITECTURE, PLANNING AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

LARRY WIT
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

2013

CASEY G. CEGIELSKI
MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS
HARBERT COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

DAVID A. UMPHRESS
COMPUTER SCIENCE AND SOFTWARE ENGINEERING
SAMUEL GINN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

2014

DEBBIE R. FOLKERTS
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

STUART DAVID LOCH
PHYSICS
COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

2015-16

ELAINE COLEMAN
ANATOMY, PHYSIOLOGY AND PHARMACOLOGY
COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

JEFFREY KATZ
PSYCHOLOGY
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

2017

ROBERT S. BOYD
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

DAN LAROCQUE
THEATRE
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

Award for Excellence in Faculty Outreach

2006
DAVID I. BRANSBY
HISTORY
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

2007
CHRISTA SLATON
POLITICAL SCIENCE
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

2008
CHRIS RODGER
MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS
COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

2009
BARRY BURKHART
PSYCHOLOGY
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

2010
DAVID HINSON
ARCHITECTURE
COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

2011
NAN FAIRLEY
COMMUNICATIONS AND JOURNALISM
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

2012
CHERYL MORGAN
ARCHITECTURE, PLANNING AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

2013
FRANCESCA ADLER-BAEDER
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES
COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

2014
ALLEN LANDERS
PHYSICS
COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

2015-16
VIRGINIA A. DAVIS
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING
SAMUEL GINN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

2017
BARB STRUEMPLER
NUTRITION, DIETETICS AND HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT
COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

Creative Research and Scholarship Awards

2006

S. DAVIS WORLEY
CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY
COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

2007

MONA EL-SHEIKH
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES
COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

ZHANJIANG LIU
FISHERIES AND ALLIED AQUACULTURES
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

2008

REX A. DUNHAM
FISHERIES AND ALLIED AQUACULTURES
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

2009

MORRIS BIAN
HISTORY
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

2010

GEOFFREY HILL
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

PAULA BACKSHEIDER
ENGLISH
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

2011

BEHZAD NAKHJAVAN
ARCHITECTURE, PLANNING AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

HANQIN TIAN
ECOLOGY
SCHOOL OF FORESTRY AND WILDLIFE SCIENCES

2012

CHRISTOPHER ROBERTS
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING
SAMUEL GINN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

RUTH CROCKER
HISTORY
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

2013

CONNER BAILEY
AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

PRADEEP LALL
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
SAMUEL GINN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

2014

BRIAN E. VAUGHN
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES
COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

F. STEPHEN DOBSON
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

2015-16

MARIO RICHARD EDEN
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING
SAMUEL GINN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

DONALD R. WEHRS
ENGLISH
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

2017

MICHAEL S. PINDZOLA
PHYSICS
COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

RICHARD A. HANSEN
HEALTH OUTCOMES RESEARCH AND POLICY
HARRISON SCHOOL OF PHARMACY