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Frederick A.P. Barnard Distinguished Professorships

Frederick A.P. Barnard Distinguished Professorships are recognized for their excellence and innovation in teaching and research.

- WINTHROP D JORDAN - WILLIAM F WINTER PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AND PROFESSOR OF AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES (1998)
- WILLIAM FRANKLIN SHUGHART - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF ECONOMICS (1998)

College of Liberal Arts - Instructor of the Year

The award was created in 2011. They are recognized during the commencement ceremony, have their names added to a plaque, and receive $1,000. Eligibility is limited to instructors, lecturers, senior lecturers, and instructional assistant professors.

- Gerald Bobby Rowland - INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (2019)
- Irene K Cotelo - SENIOR LECTURER IN SPANISH (2018)
- Carey Bernini Dowling - INSTRUCTIONAL ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY AND DIRECTOR OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES (2017)
- Matthew Leigh Murray - INSTRUCTIONAL ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY & ANTHROPOLOGY (2016)
- Joan Wylie Hall - SENIOR LECTURER IN ENGLISH (2014)
- Michael Carl Raines - INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF TESL (2013)
- Ivonne Jeannette Whitehead - SENIOR LECTURER IN SPANISH (2012)
- KATHERINE R FIELDS - INSTRUCTOR IN ART (2011)

College of Liberal Arts New Scholar Award

This award will be presented annually to untenured, tenure-track professorial rank faculty members in the College who have demonstrated exemplary performance in research, scholarship, and/or creative achievement.

- Darren E Grem - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF UNITED STATES SOUTH HISTORY (2018)
- Jared Heath Delcamp - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (2017)
- Derrick Avin Harriell - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH & AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES (2017)
- Joshua Robert Hendrickson - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ECONOMICS (2017)
- Matthew R Wilson - ADJUNCT PROFESSOR OF THEATRE AND FILM (2017)

Howell Family Outstanding Teacher of the Year

Renamed in 2017, this yearly award recognizes excellence in instruction, care and inspiration of students. CLA faculty members of professorial rank (assistant to full professor) are eligible. Past recipients, temporary and visiting faculty are ineligible.

- Nidhi Vij Mali - ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF PUBLIC POLICY LEADERSHIP (2018)

College of Liberal Arts - Outstanding Teacher of the Year

In 1985, the College of Liberal Arts began this award to recognize faculty members who demonstrate excellence of class instruction, intellectual stimulation of students, and concern for students welfare.

- Nidhi Vij Mali - ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF PUBLIC POLICY LEADERSHIP (2018)
- Matthew L Long - PROFESSOR OF ART (2017)
- Gerard J Buskes - PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS (2016)
- Judson D Watson - HOWRY CHAIR IN FAULKNER STUDIES AND PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2014)
- Felicia A Coles - PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (2013)
- Susan Diane Pedigo - PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (2012)
Beth Ann Fennelly - PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2011)
Jason E Kipps - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (2010)
Ross Jay Haenfler - ADJUNCT ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY (2009)
SHERI F RIETH - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ART (2007)
John R Neff - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF HISTORY & DIRECTOR OF CIVIL WAR RESEARCH CENTER (2005)
Ethel Young Scurlock - DIRECTOR OF AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH AND SENIOR FELLOW OF LUCKYDAY RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE (2003)
Douglass Sullivan-Gonzalez - DEAN OF THE SALLY MCDONNELL BARKSDALE HONORS COLLEGE AND PROFESSOR OF HISTORY (2001)
Daniell L Mattern - PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (1998)
COLBY H KULLMAN - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF ENGLISH (1995)
Talmage James Reid - CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS (1994)
Donald L Dyer - ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR FACULTY & ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (1992)
SHEILA SKEMP - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF HISTORY (1985)

College of Liberal Arts Research, Scholarship, and Creative Achievement Award
This award will be presented annually to tenured faculty members in the College in recognition of sustained exemplary performance in research, scholarship, and/or creative achievement at the national/international level.

Nathan J Hammer - PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY (2018)
Rhona Justice-Malloy - PROFESSOR OF THEATRE ARTS (2018)
Todd A Smitherman - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY AND DIRECTOR OF CLINICAL TRAINING (2018)
Emanuele Berti - ADJUNCT PROFESSOR OF PHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY (2017)
Robbie Ethridge - PROFESSOR OF ANTHROPOLOGY (2017)

School of Applied Sciences - Thomas A. Crowe Award

Award for Excellence in Promoting Inclusiveness in Graduate Education
Walter E Cleland - ASSOCIATE CHAIR AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (2012)
Kirsten A Dellinger - ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION AND PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY (2012)
Gerard J Bueke - PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS (2011)
Alan M Gross - PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY (2007)

Distinguished Research and Creative Achievement Award
Charles L Hussey - Associate Dean For Research & Graduate Education and Distinguished Professor Of Chemistry & Biochemistry (2015)
CHARLES R WILSON - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF HISTORY AND SOUTHERN STUDIES (2010)

Excellence in Advising Award - Office of the Provost
To recognize outstanding academic advising by a faculty member and to demonstrate the University of Mississippi’s commitment to excellent advising.

Jennifer Phillips Fos - ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR RETENTION (2016)
John N Young - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY (2015)
Carmen Elizabeth Riggan - ASSISTANT TO THE DEAN (2013)
Kerri D Scott - INSTRUCTIONAL ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AND ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF FORENSIC CHEMISTRY (2013)
Jason Dale Hoeksema - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY (2012)
CYRIL HART ROSENBLATT - ACADEMIC COUNSELOR (2010)

Staff Council Award - Overall
Dawn Anne Bullion - PROJECT MANAGER (2011)
JOSHUA L DAVIS - ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR IN CENTER FOR WRITING AND RHETORIC (2010)

Staff Council Award - EEO3
Jennifer Phillips Fos - ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR RETENTION (2016)
Rebecca Lauck Cleary - COMMUNICATION SPECIALIST (2013)
Staff Council Award - EEO4
- Dorothy Elaine Little - Senior Secretary (2012)
- Ann Davis Hitchcock - Administrative Coordinator (2005)
- Marilyn Elizabeth Allen - Senior Secretary (2004)

Staff Council Award - EEO5
- Naveen Kumar Amradi - Network Administrator (2006)
- Lee H Dean - Manager of Technology and Interactive Services (2003)
- Jeffrey W Howell - Computer Technician (2001)

Staff Council Award - EEO6

Bethany Ferguson LaValley - Academic Counselor (0)

Faculty Achievement Award
The Faculty Achievement Award is given annually to recognize unusual effort in the classroom, involvement with students, and active scholarship.
- Beth Ann Fennelly - Professor of English (2018)
- Daniel Edmund O'Sullivan - Chair and Professor of Modern Languages (2017)
- Gregory S Tschumper - Chair and Professor of Chemistry & Biochemistry (2015)
- Karen L Raber - Professor of English (2014)
- Judson D Watson - Howry Chair in Faulkner Studies and Professor of English (2012)
- Sheila Skemp - Professor Emeritus of History (2009)
- Douglas Robinson - Professor of English and Director of First Year Writing (2008)
- Gary R Gaston - Professor Emeritus of Biology (2007)
- Robert D Brown - Professor of Political Science (2006)
- Kenneth J Suffka - Professor of Psychology and Pharmacology, and Research Professor in the Research Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences (2005)
- Ivo Kamps - Chair and Professor of English (2003)
- William A Staton - Professor Emeritus of Mathematics (1997)
- Charles L Hussey - Affiliate Dean for Research & Graduate Education and Distinguished Professor Of Chemistry & Biochemistry (1996)
- John W Winkle - Professor Emeritus of Political Science and Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College (1992)

Frist Service Award
- Kerri D Scott - Instructional Associate Professor and Associate Director of Forensic Chemistry (2018)
- Robert D Brown - Professor of Political Science (2017)
- Donald L Dyer - Associate Dean for Faculty & Academic Affairs and Distinguished Professor of Modern Languages (2017)
- Luca Bombelli - Chair and Professor of Physics & Astronomy (2015)
- Denis Charles Goulet - Instructional Professor and Coordinator of Laboratory Programs (2014)
- Eric T Weber - Associate Professor of Public Policy Leadership (2012)
- Charles W Eagles - Professor Emeritus of History (2010)
- Valeria Beasley Ross - Program Manager (2010)
- Aileen Ajootian - Professor of Classics & Art (2008)
- Billy A Barrios - Staff Psychologist and Associate Professor of Psychology (2007)
- Kenneth J Suffka - Professor of Psychology and Pharmacology; and Research Professor in the Research Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences (2006)
- John W Winkle - Professor Emeritus of Political Science and Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College (2006)
- David E Willson - Director of the University Band and Professor of Music (2005)
- Marjorie Potts - Senior Secretary (2004)
- James M O'Neal - Instructional Associate Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry (2003)
- Bruce Lafort - Acting Assistant Professor of Classics (2000)
- William A Staton - Professor Emeritus of Mathematics (1999)
- Vaughn L Grisham - Professor Emeritus and Director of the George McLean Center for Community Development (1998)
- Barbara B Leeton - Administrative Coordinator I (1996)
- Patricia C Treloar - Director of Developmental Studies (1996)

Award for Excellence in Graduate Teaching and Mentoring
Criteria: impact on graduate students, excellence in supervision of student research or professional practice, excellence in graduate classroom instruction, and other contributions to improved instruction, including influence on the graduate curriculum.
- Alan M Gross - Professor of Psychology (2013)
College of Liberal Arts - Cora Lee Graham Outstanding Teaching of Freshmen

In 1984, Cora Lee Graham of Union City, Tennessee, established an endowment and directed that the proceeds from her gift be used to help retain your better professors who teach the freshman classes in the College of Liberal Arts.

- Colin R Jackson - PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY (2019)
- Molly Claire Pasco-Pranger - CHAIR AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS (2018)
- Steven R Davis - PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (2017)
- Joshua Kemp Brinlee - ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ART (2016)
- HILARY WILLS BECKER - ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS (2015)
- MELVIN S ARRINGTON - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF MODERN LANGUAGES (2014)
- Sarah M Moses - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF RELIGION (2013)
- Jeffrey T Jackson - CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY (2012)
- ERIC T WEBER - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PUBLIC POLICY LEADERSHIP (2011)
- Sarah Louisa Haney - TUTOR (2010)
- Gregory S Tschumper - CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (2009)
- Joe Turner Cantu - PROFESSOR OF THEATRE ARTS (2006)
- Aileen Ajoiliani - PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS & ART (2005)
- Timothy W Nordstrom - PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE (2001)
- Walter E Cleland - ASSOCIATE CHAIR AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (1997)
- HANS-JURGEN GAYKEN - PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (1996)
- Cornelis Gispen - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF HISTORY (1994)
- WILLIAM D SCOTT - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY (1993)
- Gerard J Buskes - PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS (1992)
- Jeffrey R Watt - COOK CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF HISTORY (1991)
- Jon F Parcher - RESEARCH PROFESSOR OF NAT'L CENTER FOR NATURAL PROD RESEARCH (1987)

Elsie M. Hood Outstanding Teacher Award

The Elsie M. Hood Outstanding Teacher of the Year for the University is selected from nominations submitted by students, alumni and faculty.

- Ethel Young Scurlock - DIRECTOR OF AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH AND SENIOR FELLOW OF LUCKYDAY RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE (2011)
- John R Neff - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF HISTORY & DIRECTOR OF CIVIL WAR RESEARCH CENTER (2009)
- Gregory Alan Schirmer - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF ENGLISH (2008)
- LAUREL ESTELLE FOULKES-LEVY - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR EMERITA OF MUSIC (2006)
- Ronald A Schroeder - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF ENGLISH (2001)
- COLBY KULLMAN - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF ENGLISH (1997)
- Danieli L Mattern - PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (1992)
- WILLIAM A STATON - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF MATHEMATICS (1988)
- Natalie Schroeder - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF ENGLISH (1987)
- VAUGHN L GRISHAM - PROFESSOR EMERITUS AND DIRECTOR OF THE GEORGE MCLEAN CENTER FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (1978)

Distinguished Faculty Fellows (Liberal Arts)

In 2002, the College of Liberal Arts began the Distinguished Faculty Fellowship Program to reward and support senior faculty members who have distinguished records of research, teaching, and service.

- JAY K JOHNSON - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF ANTHROPOLOGY (2007)
Richard Raspet - PRINCIPAL SCIENTIST (2007)
H BARRY HANNAH - WRITER IN RESIDENCE (2003)

SEC Faculty Achievement Awards Program UM Nominee
The SEC Faculty Achievement Awards program recognizes extraordinary faculty accomplishments at SEC universities. This award honors those with outstanding records in both teaching and scholarship who serve as role models for junior faculty and students.
Judson D Watson - HOWRY CHAIR IN FAULKNER STUDIES AND PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2013)

University of Mississippi Humanities Teacher of the Year
The College of Liberal Arts and the Mississippi Humanities Council co-sponsor this award to highlight an outstanding humanities faculty member each fall during Arts and Humanities Month in October.
Brad L Cook - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS (2019)
HILARY WILLS BECKER - ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS (2015)
Judson D Watson - HOWRY CHAIR IN FAULKNER STUDIES AND PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2014)
Felice A Coles - PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (2013)
Jeffrey T Jackson - CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY (2012)
Beth Ann Fennelly - PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2011)
Jason E Klodt - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (2010)
John R Neff - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF HISTORY & DIRECTOR OF CIVIL WAR RESEARCH CENTER (2009)
Jeffrey R Watt - COOK CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF HISTORY (2007)
Aileen Ajootian - PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS & ART (2005)

BENJAMIN F FISHER - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF ENGLISH (2001)
MARY E STUCKEY - PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE (1999)

WINTHROP D JORDAN - WILLIAM F WINTER PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AND PROFESSOR OF AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES (1998)
CHARLES R WILSON - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF HISTORY AND SOUTHERN STUDIES (1997)
COLBY H KULLMAN - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF ENGLISH (1995)