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Frederick A.P. Barnard Distinguished Professorships

Frederick A.P. Barnard Distinguished Professors 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.

• Irene K Kotelo - LECTURER IN SPANISH (2018)
• Carey Bernini Dowling - INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY (2017)
• Matthew Leigh Murray - INSTRUCTIONAL ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SOCIETY & ANTHROPOLOGY (2016)
• Karen Fatula Forgette - LECTURER IN COMPOSITION AND RHETORIC AND ASSISTANT CHAIR (2015)
• Joan Wylie Hall - SENIOR LECTURER IN ENGLISH (2014)
• Michael Carl Raines - INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF TESL (2013)
• Ivonne Jeanette 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)
• Thomas Allan Peattie - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF MUSIC (2018)
• James Michael Thomas - ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF SOCIETY & ANTHROPOLOGY (2018)
• Davita Watkins - ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (2018)
• Jared Heath Delcampo - ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (2017)
• Derrick Avin Harriell - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH & AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES (2017)
• Joshua Robert Hendrickson - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ECONOMICS (2018)
• 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 AND ART HISTORY (2017)
• Gerard J Buskes - PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS (2016)
• Kathryn B McKee - MCMULLAN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SOUTHERN STUDIES AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2015)
• Judson D Watson - ACTING CHAIR AND HOWRY CHAIR IN FAULKNER STUDIES AND PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2014)
• Felice A Coles - PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (2013)
• Susan Diane Pedigo - PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (2012)
• Beth Ann Fennelly - PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2011)
• Jason E Klodt - 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 (2005)
Douglass Sullivan-Gonzalez - DEAN OF THE SALLY MCDONNELL BARKSDALE HONORS COLLEGE AND PROFESSOR OF HISTORY (2001)
Daniel 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, 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 I Hammer - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (2018)
Rhona Justice-Malloy - PROFESSOR OF THEATRE ARTS (2018)
Todd A Smitherman - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY (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 Buskes - PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS (2011)
Alan M Gross - PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY (2007)

Distinguished Research and Creative Achievement Award
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 - ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR I (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
- NAVEENKUMAR AMRADI - NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR (2006)
- 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)
- Karen L Raber - PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2014)
- Judson D Watson - ACTING CHAIR AND 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)
- WILLIAM A STATON - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF MATHEMATICS (1997)

Frist Service Award
- Kerri D Scott - INSTRUCTIONAL ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AND ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF FORENSIC CHEMISTRY (2018)
- Donald L Dyer - ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR FACULTY & ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (2017)
- Denis Charles Goulet - INSTRUCTIONAL PROFESSOR AND COORDINATOR OF LABORATORY PROGRAMS (2014)
- ERIC T WEBER - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PUBLIC POLICY LEADERSHIP (2012)
- Valeria Beasley Ross - RESEARCH ASSOCIATE AND ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR IN CENTER FOR STUDENT SUCCESS AND FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE (2010)
- BILLY A BARRIOS - STAFF PSYCHOLOGIST AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY (2007)
- MARJORIE POTTS - SENIOR SECRETARY (2004)
- BRUCE LAFORSE - ACTING ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS (2000)
- WILLIAM A STATON - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF MATHEMATICS (1999)
- 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.
The University of Mississippi is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award certificates and baccalaureate, master’s, specialist, and doctoral degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, call 404-679-4500, or visit online at www.sacscoc.org for questions about the accreditation.
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** - ACTING CHAIR AND 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.

- **HILARY WILLS BECKER** - ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS (2015)
- **Judson D Watson** - ACTING CHAIR AND 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 (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)
- **Kathryn B McKee** - MCMULLAN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SOUTHERN STUDIES AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR 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)