

## College of Liberal Arts

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## Distinguished Faculty and Staff Awards

### 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.

- **Matthew Leigh Murray** - INSTRUCTIONAL ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY (2016)
- **Karen Fatula Forgette** - LECTURER IN COMPOSITION & RHETORIC (2015)
- **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 - 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.

- **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** - HOWRY CHAIR IN FAULKNER STUDIES AND PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2014)
- **Felice A Coles** - PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (2013)
- **Susan Diane Pedigo** - PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY AND 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)
- **Daniel Edmund O'Sullivan** - PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (2008)
- **SHERI F RIETH** - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ART (2007)
- **Ann Fisher-Wirth** - PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2006)
- **John R Neff** - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF HISTORY (2005)
- **BENJAMIN F FISHER** - Professor Emeritus of English (2004)
- **Ethel Young Scurlock** - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH AND AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDIES 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 AND BIOCHEMISTRY (1998)
- **LEE N BOLEN** - Professor Emeritus of Physics and Astronomy (1996)
- **COLBY H KULLMAN** - Professor Emeritus of English (1995)
- **Talmage James Reid** - INTERIM CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS (1994)
- **Donald L Dyer** - CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (1992)
- **William F Lawhead** - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF PHILISOPHY AND RELIGION (1988)
- **SHEILA SKEMP** - Professor Emeritus of History (1985)

### School of Applied Sciences - Thomas A. Crowe Award

- **CHESTER L QUARLES** - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE (2004)

### Award for Excellence in Promoting Inclusiveness in Graduate Education

- **Walter E Cleland** - ASSISTANT CHAIR AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY (2012)



- [Kirsten A Dellinger](#) - CHAIR OF SOCIOLOGY & ANTHROPOLOGY AND PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY (2012)
- [Gerard J Buskes](#) - PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS (2011)
- [Alan M Gross](#) - PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY AND DIRECTOR OF CLINICAL TRAINING (2007)
- [Joseph P Ward](#) - Adjunct Instructor in Arch Dalrymple III Department of History (2006)

### Distinguished Research and Creative Achievement Award

- [Charles L Hussey](#) - CHAIR AND 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](#) - 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](#) - SENIOR STAFF ASSISTANT (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

- [Vernita J Ivy](#) - PRODUCTION CONTROL CLERK (2011)
- NAVEENKUMAR AMRADI - NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR (2006)
- [Lee H Dean](#) - MANAGER OF TECHNOLOGY AND INTERACTIVE SERVICES (2003)
- JEFFREY W HOWELL - COMPUTER TECHNICIAN (2001)

### Staff Council Award - EEO6

- [Richard Scott Watkins](#) - MECHANICAL SYSTEMS ENGINEER (2000)

### Outstanding Staff Award

A staff member of the School of Engineering who has demonstrated exemplary service, leadership, and commitment.

- [Bethany Ferguson LaValley](#) - Coordinator of Professional Development-CMSE (2010)

### Faculty Achievement Award

The Faculty Achievement Award is given annually to recognize unusual effort in the classroom, involvement with students, and active scholarship.

- [Gregory S Tschumper](#) - PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY AND 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 Sufka](#) - 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](#) - CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (1996)
- John W Winkle - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND SALLY MCDONNELL BARKSDALE HONORS COLLEGE (1992)

### Frist Service Award

- [Luca Bombelli](#) - CHAIR AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY (2015)



- [Denis Charles Goulet](#) - LECTURER AND COORDINATOR OF LABORATORY PROGRAMS (2014)
- [ERIC T WEBER](#) - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PUBLIC POLICY LEADERSHIP (2012)
- [Charles W Eagles](#) - WILLIAM F WINTER PROFESSOR OF HISTORY (2010)
- [Valeria Beasley Ross](#) - ASSOCIATE DEAN OF STUDENTS (2010)
- [Aileen Ajootian](#) - PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS AND ART (2008)
- [BILLY A BARRIOS](#) - Staff Psychologist and Associate Professor of Psychology (2007)
- [Kenneth J Sufka](#) - 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 LAFORSE](#) - ACTING ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS (2000)
- [WILLIAM A STATON](#) - Professor Emeritus of Mathematics (1999)
- [VAUGHN L GRISHAM](#) - PROFESSOR EMERITUS AND DIRECTOR OF THE GOERGE 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 AND DIRECTOR OF CLINICAL TRAINING (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.

- [Joshua Kemp Brinlee](#) - ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF STUDIO ART FOUNDATIONS (2016)
- [HILARY WILLS BECKER](#) - ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS (2015)
- [MELVIN S ARRINGTON](#) - Professor Emeritus of Modern Languages (2014)
- [Sarah M Moses](#) - ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF RELIGION (2013)
- [Jeffrey T Jackson](#) - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY (2012)
- [ERIC T WEBER](#) - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PUBLIC POLICY LEADERSHIP (2011)
- [Sarah Louisa Haney](#) - Tutor (2010)
- [Gregory S Tschumper](#) - PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY (2009)
- [Tamar Goulet](#) - PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY (2008)
- [Jason E Ritchie](#) - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY (2007)
- [Joe Turner Cantu](#) - PROFESSOR OF THEATRE ARTS (2006)
- [Aileen Ajootian](#) - PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS AND ART (2005)
- [Kathryn B McKee](#) - MCMULLAN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SOUTHERN STUDIES AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2004)
- [GARY R GASTON](#) - Professor Emeritus of Biology (2002)
- [Timothy W Nordstrom](#) - PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE (2001)
- [Holly T Reynolds](#) - ASSOCIATE DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND ASSISTANT PROFESSOR (2000)
- [Walter E Cleland](#) - ASSISTANT CHAIR AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY (1997)
- [HANS-JURGEN GAYCKEN](#) - PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (1996)
- [PAUL K LAGO](#) - PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY (1995)
- [Cornelis Gispert](#) - 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)
- [LEE N BOLEN](#) - Professor Emeritus of Physics and Astronomy (1988)
- [Jon F Parcher](#) - RESEARCH PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY (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.

- [Robert D Brown](#) - PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE (2015)
- [Ann Fisher-Wirth](#) - PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2014)
- [Ethel Young Scurlock](#) - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH AND AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDIES AND SENIOR FELLOW OF LUCKYDAY RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE (2011)
- [Kelly Gene Wilson](#) - PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY (2010)



- **John R Neff** - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF HISTORY (2009)
- **Gregory Alan Schirmer** - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF ENGLISH (2008)
- **David E Willson** - DIRECTOR OF THE UNIVERSITY BAND AND PROFESSOR OF MUSIC (2007)
- **LAURDELLA FOULKES-LEVY** - Associate Professor Emerita of Music (2006)
- **RON G DALE** - Professor Emeritus of Art (2002)
- **Ronald A Schroeder** - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF ENGLISH (2001)
- **COLBY H KULLMAN** - Professor Emeritus of English (1997)
- **Kenneth J Sufka** - PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY AND PHARMACOLOGY; AND RESEARCH PROFESSOR IN THE RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES (1996)
- **BILLY A BARRIOS** - Staff Psychologist and Associate Professor of Psychology (1995)
- **Daniell L Mattern** - PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY (1992)
- **WILLIAM A STATON** - Professor Emeritus of Mathematics (1988)
- **Natalie Schroeder** - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF ENGLISH (1987)
- **John W Winkle** - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND SALLY MCDONNELL BARKSDALE HONORS COLLEGE (1980)
- **VAUGHN L GRISHAM** - PROFESSOR EMERITUS AND DIRECTOR OF THE GOERGE 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)
- **DAVID E GRAVES** - PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY (2003)
- **Alan M Gross** - PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY AND DIRECTOR OF CLINICAL TRAINING (2003)
- **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.

- **Charles L Hussey** - CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY & BIOCHEMISTRY (2015)
- **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.

- **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** - ASSOCIATE 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)
- **Daniel Edmund O'Sullivan** - PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (2008)
- **Jeffrey R Watt** - COOK CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF HISTORY (2007)
- **Ann Fisher-Wirth** - PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH (2006)
- **Aileen Ajootian** - PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS AND ART (2005)
- **Donald L Dyer** - CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES (2004)
- **Ethel Young Scurlock** - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH AND AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDIES AND SENIOR FELLOW OF LUCKYDAY RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE (2003)
- **William F Lawhead** - PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION (2002)
- **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)

