More than 100 graduate students received the Distinguished Teaching Assistant award this year at a ceremony on May 11 in the Stamp student union. Dozens of faculty members and other graduate students were recognized at the same ceremony for outstanding contributions to teaching during the 2011-2012 academic year.

With this special edition of the CTE newsletter, we recognize these and other award recipients -- both graduate students and faculty members -- for their outstanding contributions to teaching at the University of Maryland.

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Distinguished Teaching Assistants

College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics

- Ian Page
- Ariel Ortiz Bobea

Department of Animal and Avian Sciences

- Tiffany Carro
- Kara Duffy
- Rangarajan Padmanabhan
- Lindsey Vansandt

Dept. of Plant Science and Landscape Architecture

- Carol Allen
- Sarah Capps Ashmun
- Megan McConnell

School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation

Department of Architecture

- Paul Bilger
- Marisa Gomez

Dept. of Urban and Regional Planning and Design

- Zubin Adrianvala

College of Arts and Humanities

Department of Art History and Archeology

- Andrew Eschelbacher

Department of American Studies

- Aaron Allen
- Andrew Nelson
- Maria Vargas
DTA Awards

May 11, 2012

Department of Classics
- Harrison Sepulveda

Department of Communication
- Deepa Anagondahalli
- Steven D. Cohen

Department of English
- Isabella Cooper
- Amanda Dykema
- James Goodwin
- Michael Gossett
- Amy Katzel
- Porter Olsen
- Nancy Stewart

Department of French and Italian
- Silvia Baage

Department of History
- Tess Bundy
- Paul Gibson
- Nicole McLean
- Rachel Walker

School of Music
- Michael Angelucci
- Robert Lintott
- Julia Topper

Department of Philosophy
- Melissa Ebbers
- Kent Erickson
- Elizabeth Picciuto

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Department of Spanish and Portuguese

- Maggy Rodriguez
- Kate Taylor

Department of Women’s Studies

- Yh Patt
- Lara Torsky

College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice

- Laura Dykstra

Department of Hearing and Speech Sciences

- Catherine Eaton
- Monica Sampson

Department of Psychology

- Kristen Aquilino
- Bonnie Brett
- Shudarshana Gupta
- Alice Jackson
- Laura Sherman

Department of Sociology

- Sharon Edens
- Denae Johnson
College of Computer, Mathematical and Natural Sciences

Department of Astronomy

• Hannah Krug
• Alice Olmstead
• Krista Smith

Dept. of Cell Biology and Molecular Genetics

• Divya Gangaramani
• Genevieve Houston-Ludlam
• Michelle Kuhlmann
• Susan Park

Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

• Luigi Alvarado
• Brad Gordon
• Gretchen Peters

Department of Computer Science

• Greg Benjamin
• Daozheng Chen
• Cody Dunne
• Kotaro Hara
• Justin Wagner

Department of Geology

• Dana Borg

Department of Mathematics

• Maxx Cho
• Geoffrey Clapp
• Jong Lee
• Adam Lizzi
• Kanna Nakamura
College of Education

Department of Human Development and Quantitative Methodology

- Emily Grossnickle
- Sandra Loughlin
- Angela McRae
- Xiulin Mao
- Wei You

Teaching and Learning, Policy and Leadership

- Julian Chen
- Maria Crassas
- Shannon Daniel
- Cara Jackson
- Toya Jones
- Brianne Michelle Walsh

Philip Merrill College of Journalism

- Alan Goldenbach
- Jing Guo
- Joanna Margueritte-Giecewicz
- Elia Powers
- Jessica Roberts

School of Public Health

Department of Family Science

- Emily Cook
- Barbara Singer

Department of Kinesiology

- Eric Anson
- Jacob Bustad
- Bryan Clift
- David Logan
- Amber Wiest
A. James Clark School of Engineering

Department of Aerospace Engineering

• Arianne Collopy

Department of Bioengineering

• Martha Wang
• Sean Virgile
• Amy Lee
• Julianne Twomey

Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

• Noah Blum

Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

• Khaled Elwazeer
• Guannan Liu
• Dakang Ma
• Caleb Serafy
• Marcos Vasconcelos

Office of Undergraduate Studies

College Park Scholars

• Krishna Bhagat
• Stacy Kosko
• Jennifer Littlefield
• Chrystal George Mwangi
• Greg Raspanti
• Emily Warheit
International Teaching Fellows

Bo Yang
Communication

Chi-En Yin
Electrical and Computer Engineering

Jing Guo
Journalism

Kiyoung Chang
Government and Politics

Ning Xie
Communication

Quingjian Chen
Kinesiology

International Teaching Fellow Mentors

Ana Perez
Women’s Studies

Bedrettin Yazan
Curriculum and Instruction

Fazel Fakhari
Chemistry and Biochemistry

Melda Ina Baysal
Germanic Studies
University Teaching and Learning Program Graduates

Melda Ina Baysal  
Germanic Studies

Anna Bedford  
Comparative Literature

Maria Elena Campero  
Spanish and Portuguese

Carolina Gomez-Montoya  
Spanish and Portuguese

Romina Heymann  
Chemistry and Biochemistry

Regina Ianozi  
Germanic Studies

Steven D. Cohen  
Communication

Paul Dean  
Sociology

Ashley Duncan Derr  
Theatre

Hector A. Lombardi  
Marine Estuary Environmental Sciences

Adam Stephens Richards  
Communication

Joanne Roby  
English

Theresa A. Donofrio  
Communication

Alejandra Echazu  
Spanish and Portuguese

Maggy L. Rodriguez  
Spanish and Portuguese

Emilee Senkevitch  
Molecular and Cellular Biology

Oscar Santos-Sopena  
Spanish and Portuguese

Kebea G. Stocker  
Chemistry and Biochemistry

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Undergraduate Teaching Excellence Awards

“These awards recognize our outstanding teachers, the best of the best. Those teachers who changed the lives of their students, influenced their career directions, set the bar high, and helped students leap over it.”

The General Education/CORE Teaching Award goes to Dr. Ronald A. Yaros, Assistant Professor in the Philip Merrill College of Journalism. Dr. Yaros teaches courses including “Introduction to Mass Communication,” and “Information 3.0.” He was nominated by Lynda Ostermann, a former student.

The Undergraduate Studies Course Award goes to Dr. David A. Crocker, Director, Public Leadership Program, College Park Scholars, and Director, International Development Specialization, School of Public Policy. Dr. Crocker teaches courses including “Leadership and Social Change” and “Leadership for the Common Good.”
A. James Clark School of Engineering

Professor Chris Davis in Electrical and Computer Engineering received the Poole and Kent Teaching Award for Senior Faculty.

College of Behavioral and Social Sciences (BSOS)
Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice

Dr. Laure Brooks received the BSOS Excellence in Teaching Award and the BSOS Dean’s medal.

Dr. Ray Paternoster was named BSOS Outstanding Teacher/Mentor.

Dr. Gary LaFree was named Distinguished Scholar-Teacher.

Dr. Terence Thornberry was named a Distinguished University Professor.

Dr. Charles Wellford was awarded the President’s Medal.
Government and Politics

Assistant Professor Sarah Croco won the BSOS Teaching Committee Summer 2012 Emerging Scholar Award and the Elmer Plischke Annual Faculty Research award.

Assistant Professor Jennifer Hadden won the Philip Merrill Presidential Scholars award.

Associate Professor Mike Hanmer won the BSOS Excellence in Teaching award.

Professor Paul S. Herrnson won the BSOS Teaching Committee Fall 2012 Emerging Scholars award.

Assistant Professor Stella Rouse won the BSOS Teaching Committee Fall 2012 Emerging Scholar award and the Dean’s Research Initiative award.

Kinesiology

Ron Mower received the F. Daniel Wagner Teaching award, for the best teaching assistant in the physical activity program. The award is supported financially by the children of F. Daniel Wagner, who was a dedicated and excellent physical education teacher.

Eric Anson was recognized as Teaching Assistant of the Year, an annual award for the best discussion or laboratory teaching assistant.
College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

Animal and Avian Sciences

**Dr. Lisa Taneyhill:** College of AGNR On-Campus Junior Faculty Award

**Dr. Angela Black:** The Paul R. Poffenberger Excellence in Teaching & Advising Award

Department of Agriculture and Resource Economics

**Distinguished Professor Richard Just,** winner of the Faculty Research Award.

**Associate Professor Jim Hanson,** winner of the Excellence in Extension Award, awarded by the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources Alumni Association

Graduate students

**Joseph Maher,** winner of the Rhona Lantin Award for Best First-Year Paper

**Ian Page,** winner of the Bessie DeVault Award for Best Second-Year Paper
School of Public Health

Department of Family Science
Graduate Students

Jessica DiBari
- Graduate School Summer Fellowship for 2012, University of Maryland

BreAnna Davis
- 2012 Quantitative Training for Underrepresented Groups (GTUG) Award for Summer 2012, GTUG Annual Conference
- 2011 Marriage and Family Therapy Minority Fellowship, American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy

John Hart
- 2011 Marriage and Family Therapy Minority Fellowship, American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT)

Katie Hrapczynski
- 2011-12 Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) Graduate Lilly Fellow, University of Maryland

Jocelyn Smith
- Dr. Mabel S. Spencer Award for Excellence in Graduate Achievement for the 2012-13 academic year, University of Maryland
- 2012 Fragile Families Summer Data Workshop Fellowship, Columbia University
Mia Smith Bynum
- 2011-12 Ronald E. McNair Mentor of the Year, University of Maryland

Kevin Roy
- 2011-12 Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) Lilly Fellow, University of Maryland

Donna Howard
received the
2012 Phillip Merrill Presidential Scholars Program Mentor Award – UMCP
and the 2012 Faculty Recognition Award from Global Public Health.
College of Agriculture
and Natural Resources

Department of Plant Science
and Landscape Architecture

Graduate students

Carol Allen:
• Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant
• Wallace K. Bailey, Sr. Research Support Grant

Sarah Capps Ashmun: Leland E. and Catherine B. Scott Award

Clark DeLong:
• Wallace K. Bailey, Sr. Research Support Grant
• Clark DeLong – 3012 University Sustainability Fund Grant

Whitney Gaches: Wallace K. Bailey, Sr. Research Support Grant

Sanghyun Han: Wallace K. Bailey, Sr. Research Support Grant

Julia Harshman: Francis C. Stark, Jr. Fund for Learning Resources Award

Megan McConnell: John H. Weinberger Scholarship

Matthew Sickle: Department of Plant Science and Landscape Architecture’s Landscape Architecture Award of Excellence
Faculty

Dr. William J. Kenworthy: AGNR’s 2012 Dean Gordon Cairns Award of Excellence

Dr. David Myers: The Diamondback Newspaper’s 2012 Readers’ Choice Awards for “Best Professor”

5th Annual University-Wide Celebration of Scholarship and Research:

- Dr. Yilmaz Balci
- Dr. Mark Carroll
- Dr. Priscilla Chaverri
- Dr. Gary Coleman
- Dr. Jose Costa
- Dr. Sonja Duempelmann
- Dr. Kathryne Everts

- Dr. Scott Glenn
- Dr. Robert Kratochvil
- Dr. John Lea-Cox
- Dr. Shirley Micallef
- Dr. Maile Neel
- Dr. Christopher Walsh
- Dr. Jianhua Zhu
Dr. Lance Yonkos received the College of AGNR Alumni Chapter Excellence in Instruction award.

Kimberly Monahan was awarded the AGNR Student Council Outstanding Advisor award.

Dr. Prabhakar Tamboli received the department’s Excellence in Teaching award.

Annie Rossi and Zach Freed received the department’s Outstanding Graduate Student awards.
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