Faculty and Staff Achievements

Bimal Balakrishnan, Architectural Studies, was the recipient of the MU Excellence in Education Award, the MU Graduate Student Association Superior Graduate Faculty Award and the MU Excellence in Teaching with Technology Award.

Ann Cohen and Annette Triplett, Nutrition and Exercise Physiology Extension, received a Telly Award for the children’s video *From the Farm to You*, in the category of Outstanding Television Programming for Children. The video shows how local foods travel from the farm to schools, grocery stores and farmer’s markets. The Telly Award honors film and video productions, groundbreaking web commercials, videos and films, and outstanding local, regional, and cable TV commercials and programs.

Dale Fitch, School of Social Work, received a 2012 Provost’s Outstanding Junior Faculty Teaching Award at MU.

Larry Ganong, Human Development and Family Studies and School of Nursing, won the Distinguished Contribution to Family Nursing Award in fall 2011 presented by the *Journal of Family Nursing*.

Jung Ha-Brookshire and Amanda Muhammad, Textile and Apparel Management, received the Highly Commended Award for their article “Exploring job responsibilities and requirements of US textile and apparel sourcing personnel,” published in the *Journal of Fashion Marketing and Management: An International Journal*.

Jung Ha-Brookshire and Pam Norum, Textile and Apparel Management, received the Highly Commended Award for their article “Willingness to pay for socially responsible products: Case of cotton apparel,” published in the *Journal of Consumer Marketing*.

Marianne Jones, HES Fiscal Office, was nominated by the Zonta Club of Jefferson City for the 2012 Women of Achievement award, which recognizes women who have made significant professional and civic contributions to Central Missouri.

Ryan Law, Personal Financial Planning, was elected as a council member for the national TG Council for Student Financial Success in Higher Education. This Council provides the higher education community with innovative leadership, activities and services that improve the understanding and management of personal and education finance by students and families.

Louis Manfra, Human Development and Family Studies, was a recipient of the MU Graduate Student Association Superior Graduate Faculty Award.

Vera Massey and Molly Vetter, Nutrition and Exercise Physiology Extension, won the MU Extension Teamwork Award in fall 2011 and the Jeanne M. Priester Award at the National Health Conference in 2012 for their “Taking Care of You: Body, Mind and Spirit” program.
Deanne Sharpe, Personal Financial Planning, received the Writing Intensive Excellence Award from the Campus Writing Program.

David Schramm, Human Development and Family Studies, was awarded the 2012 Provost Award for Creative Extension Programming by New Faculty.

John Thyfault, Nutrition and Exercise Physiology, was a recipient of the MU Graduate Student Association Superior Graduate Faculty Award.

Mansoo Yu, School of Social Work, selected a National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) Research Scholar and invited to present a concept paper for his NIDA proposal at the Special Populations Research Development Seminar Series in Bethesda, Maryland in April, 2012.

**Student Achievements**

Tilanka Chandrasekera, Architectural Studies graduate student, received the Architecture Research Centers Consortium King Student Medal for Excellence in Architectural and Environmental Design Research in 2012.

Graham McCaully, Human Development and Family Studies doctoral candidate and Personal Financial Planning graduate assistant, was inducted into the Rollins Society at MU. The Rollins Society recognizes graduate and professional students who have significantly advanced the well-being of self-defined communities beyond the scope of their academic work.

Danielle Oprean, Architectural Studies doctoral candidate, received the 2011-2012 Graduate Student Association’s Superior Graduate Student award at MU.

Ellie Schamel, Textile and Apparel Management senior, was recognized for both first and second place for her designs submitted to the Little Black Dress event of True North Columbia, a shelter that provides safety and services for victims of domestic and sexual violence.

Antaniece Sills, School of Social Work junior, won both the NAACP Barbara Jordan Student of the Year Award and the NAACP Charles Hamilton Houston Collegiate Achievement Award in March 2012.

Lily Wehtje, Human Development and Family Studies senior, was awarded a Service Learning Award at the Honors College spring awards ceremony in April 2012.

**Program Achievements**

Several students from the department of Architectural Studies as well as some faculty made several trips to Joplin to help with the rebuilding project and were asked to lead the recycling efforts of materials used in the new construction, showcasing the importance and their expertise in the sustainable design area.

The Interior Design program within the Department of Architectural Studies received the maximum 6-year re-accreditation with the Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA) in March 2012.

The HES MoTAX program once again demonstrated tangible economic development impact on Missouri by saving a total of 4,065 low-income Missouri taxpayers and their families over $800,000 in tax preparation fee and generating over $4.0 million in federal income tax refunds. That is a $10,000,000+ million dollar impact in Missouri (applying a 2.5 economic impact multiplier).

The Personal Financial Planning Department, Office for Financial Success and the University of Missouri were selected to host the 2012 Financial Therapy Association Conference. The conference will be held fall 2012. This conference brings together practitioners and academics from a number of fields including Personal Financial Planning, Financial Counseling, Marriage and Family Therapy, Social Work and Counseling.