

2006 GRADUATE SCHOOL AWARDS RECEPTION

University of Missouri-Columbia
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RECEPTION

WELCOME.....Ronald Drobney
Interim Vice Provost for Advanced Studies

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION
TO GRADUATE EDUCATION AWARD..... Educational Leadership and
Policy Analysis

The MU Outstanding Departmental Contribution to Graduate Education Award recognizes both well-established and highly innovative contributions that departments or interdepartmental units make to enhance the quality of MU graduate programs and to the successful careers of their graduate alumni. Made possible through the support of the Office of the Provost, the award provides the winning department with \$30,000 (\$10,000 a year for three years) to recognize and support efforts to further enhance the quality of graduate education.

MU GRADUATE
FACULTY MENTOR AWARDMary Heppner

The purpose of the MU Graduate Faculty Mentor Award is to recognize the mentoring relationship a graduate faculty adviser has developed with his or her graduate students. A \$3,000 honorarium is provided to the graduate faculty member selected for this award.

DONALD K. ANDERSON
GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT AWARD.....Crystal Frey

Candidates for the Anderson Teaching Assistant Award are selected based on demonstrated excellence and lasting impact in the classroom, a positive attitude and personality, enthusiasm and commitment, and mentoring to peers and/or undergraduates.

DONALD K. ANDERSON
GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT AWARDSteven Mullen

Anderson Research Assistant Award recipients are selected based on demonstrated excellence and lasting impact through contributions to research, future promise as a researcher, originality, imagination, satisfactory progress toward a degree and research mentoring to peers.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION AWARD..... Christina Pomianek
The Parents Association Award honors exemplary graduate students.

MU DISTINGUISHED DISSERTATION AWARD..... M. Meghan Davidson

The recipient of the Distinguished Doctoral Dissertation Award will receive a \$1,000 honorarium. In addition, the winning dissertation will become MU's nomination for the Council of Graduate Schools Distinguished Dissertation Award (if the award winner works in one of the disciplines identified for competition for that year—biological sciences or humanities in 2006).

MU DISTINGUISHED THESIS AWARD Kathleen Carson

The recipient of the Distinguished Master's Thesis Award will receive a \$500 honorarium. The winning thesis will become MU's nomination for the prestigious Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools Distinguished Master's Thesis Award.

GI/TA AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE
IN TEACHING WITH TECHNOLOGYMarc Strid

This award recognizes excellence in the efforts of graduate instructors and teaching assistants who use educational technologies to meaningfully improve teaching and learning at MU.

GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION
SUPERIOR GRADUATE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD..... F. Steve Korte

Justin McBrayer
Tommi White

Recipients of the Graduate Student Association Superior Graduate Achievement Award are selected from among their peers based on teaching, research, service, advising, activism, community service, mentoring, departmental contributions or any other dimension of graduate student work.

PREVIEW OF GRADUATE SCHOOL VIDEO

CLOSING REMARKS..... Pamela Benoit
Interim Dean of the Graduate School

OLD MISSOURI, FAIR MISSOURI,
DEAR OLD VARSITY,
OUR ARE HEARTS THAT FONDLY LOVE THEE,
HERE'S A HEALTH TO THEE.

PROUD ART THOU IN CLASSIC BEAUTY,
OF THY NOBLE PAST;
WITH THY WATCHWORDS, HONOR, DUTY,
THY HIGH FAME SHALL LAST.

EVERY STUDENT, MAN AND MAIDEN,
SWELLS THE GLAD REFRAIN,
TILL THE BREEZES MUSIC LADEN,
WAFT IT BACK AGAIN.

The MU Graduate School's campus-wide responsibility is to promote, encourage and support graduate education, faculty and graduate student research, scholarship and creative achievement.

With more than 5,000 graduate students enrolled in master's, doctoral and educational specialist degrees in more than 90 programs, graduate students comprise nearly 20 percent of the MU student population.

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