

# 2008 Graduate School Awards Reception

University of Missouri  
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## RECEPTION

WELCOME..... BRIAN FOSTER  
*Provost*

## PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION  
TO GRADUATE EDUCATION AWARD..... ANIMAL SCIENCES  
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 AWARD

..... JEAN ISPA  
..... MICHAEL SMITH  
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 \$1,500 honorarium is provided to each of the graduate faculty members selected for this award.

## DONALD K. ANDERSON GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT AWARD

..... JENNIFER BEGGS-WEBBER  
..... TIFFANY ZIEGLER  
Candidates for the Anderson Teaching Assistant Award are selected based on demonstrated excellence and lasting impact in the classroom, positive attitudes and personalities, enthusiasm and commitment, and mentorship to peers and/or undergraduates.

## DONALD K. ANDERSON GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT AWARD

..... JOSHUA A. HICKS  
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.

## MU DISTINGUISHED DISSERTATION AWARD

..... CANDICE MOREY  
..... ALI ARAB  
Each recipient of the Distinguished Doctoral Dissertation Award will receive a \$500 Honorarium. Dr. Arab's dissertation will be the official MU nomination for the CGS/Peterson's Distinguished Dissertation Award in the field of Mathematics, Physical Sciences and Engineering, and Dr. Morey's dissertation will be the official MU nomination for the CGS/Peterson's Distinguished Dissertation Award in the field of Social Sciences.

MU DISTINGUISHED THESIS AWARD ..... JULIETTE PAUL  
The recipient of the Distinguished Master's Thesis Award will receive a \$500 honorarium. The winning thesis was MU's nomination for the Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools Distinguished Master's Thesis Award.

GI/TA AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE  
IN TEACHING WITH TECHNOLOGY ..... MARCIA HANSEN  
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. Estes is a 2006 Award Winner to be honored at the 2007 Awards Reception.

NANCY AND BILL LAURIE  
SCHOLARSHIP FOR GRADUATE STUDIES ..... JEROME VENTEICHER (RENEWED)  
The Nancy and Bill Laurie Scholarship for Graduate Students is made possible by a generous contribution by the Laurie family and awarded annually to a graduate student with financial need who is a graduate from a Missouri high school and who has achieved high academic excellence. The scholarship is for \$2,000, and is renewable for a second year. Indeed, thanks to the Lauries' generosity, next year's award will be for \$2,500.

## SUPERIOR GRADUATE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

..... AARON LUEBBE  
..... RYAN NIVENS  
..... ROBERT SNYDER  
Candidates for the Superior Graduate Achievement Award are selected based on demonstrated excellence in teaching, research and service, from a pool of peer-nominated outstanding students in each graduate department on campus.

CLOSING REMARKS..... PAMELA BENOIT  
*Vice Provost for Advanced Studies and 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 95 programs, graduate students make up nearly 20 percent of the MU student population.

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