

Faculty Senate Report – April 14, 2015
Outstanding Faculty Activities and Accomplishments

Nelson Rusche College of Business

- Dr. Kelly Noe was recognized by the Texas Society of Public Accountants with the Outstanding Accounting Educator Award for the State of Texas.
- Dr. Susan Jennings has been elected as Program Chair and Vice President of the Association of Business Communication Southwest for 2015-16.
- Dr. Justin Blount was awarded the Homes Cardozo Award by the Academy of Legal Studies in Business for his paper titled “Social Enterprise, Corporate Objectives, and the Corporate Governance Narrative” which has been accepted for publication this summer by the *American Business Law Journal*.
- Dr. Marlene Kahla, faculty adviser to the American Marketing Association, with Dr. Jason Reese assisting, led SFA students in Co-Directing the Regional AMA Conference with University of Houston Downtown at the UHD campus. SFA will host the next Regional AMA Conference in October 2015.
- Dr. Charlotte Allen employed her Spring 2015 MKT 425 Systems and Internet Marketing students to promote and drive traffic to vote for Coach Underwood in the ESPN/Infiniti Charity Coaches Challenge this semester. The classes used online and offline promotional techniques, including social media, to inform the markets of the Challenge and to apply what they learned in the class to a real-world situation.
- Dr. Rajat Mishra coauthored the article “Linking sustainability to quality management and firm performance,” published in the International Journal of Business and Management (2015).

James I. Perkins College of Education

- Dr. DawnElla Rust received the 2014 Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance Honor Award.
- Dr. Linda Bobo received the State Legislative *Hit the Hill Award* for a Heroic Act Life-Saving Event.
- The American Psychological Association awarded a Division 16 Grant Program Award to the department of human services for School Psychology Internships.
- Dr. Terry Overton, published a co-authored textbook entitled *Assessing Learners with Special Needs: An Applied Approach* (8th Edition) with Pearson Education, Inc.
- Dr. Daniel McCleary and Dr. Lisa McCleary participated in a symposium presentation at the 2015 American Psychological Association Conference in Toronto, Canada.
- Dr. DePountis was elected to the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired Board.
- Dr. Patrick M. Jenlink presented a paper at the international 19th Annual Values and Leadership Conference in Huntsville, Ontario, Canada.

College of Fine Arts

- Dr. Jill Carrington presented Celebrating 50 Years of Syracuse University’s Graduate Program in Florence: Perceptions of Venetian Multi-panel Painting, Syracuse, NY.
- Lauren Selden and Jeff Brewer presented an invited exhibition at the Abilene’s 32nd Sculpture Exhibition in Abilene, TX.

- Dr. Nathan Fleshner was an invited presenter at the Eighth European Music Analysis Conference, in Belgium in September 2014.
- Zachary Hanks was an invited presenter at the Voice and Speech Trainers Association, in London.
- Dr. Richard Jones presented at the Theatre in Higher Education, in Scottsdale, AZ.
- Regents Professor Dr. Tim King presented the Regents Lecture entitled “SFA: A Scale for Fine Arts.”

Arthur Temple College of Forestry and Agriculture

- Dr. Hans Williams, Dr. Brian Oswald, Dr. I-Kuai Hung, Drs. Dean and Theresa Coble, Dr. Roger Masse, Dr. Christopher Comer, Dr. David Kulhavy, Dr. Shelby Laird, Dr. Matthew McBroom (all Forestry), Dr. Chay Runnels (Dept. of Human Services) and Dr. Michael Maurer (Agriculture) hosted 15 students and two faculty from Älvdalen Educational Center in Älvdalen, Sweden. The group spent ten days exploring hospitality and forest management in East Texas. This visit marks the continuation of a partnership formed between ATCOFA and Älvdalens that seeks to broaden the cultural horizons of students from both programs.
- Dr. David Creech, Dr. Jared Barnes, Dr. Michael Maurer hosted the National Azalea Society Conference, March 2015.
- Dr. Leon Young participated last summer in an agriculture development assignment in Soyo, Angola, working with local farmers in developing a vegetable production for the emerging middle class Angolans working in the oil and gas industry.
- Dr. Sheryl Jerez was named 2014 SFA Faculty Mentor of the Year.
- Dr. Christopher Comer and Dr. I-Kuai Hung received the Outstanding Scientific Article Award at the 2015 Texas Chapter of The Wildlife Society meeting for their article, entitled, Using GIS-based, landscape-scale suitability modeling to identify conservation priority areas: A case study of the Louisiana black bear (*Ursus americanus luteolus*) in east Texas. *Journal of Wildlife Management* 77: 1639-1649.
- Dr. Jeremy Stovall with SFA forestry students placed first overall at the 2015 Southern Forestry Conclave held in Starkville, MS. They earned first place in both technical events and physical events, scoring the highest overall score ever recorded in the 58-year history of Forestry Conclave.

College of Liberal and Applied Arts

- Dr. Andrew Brininstool, who received an NEA Fellowship in Creative Writing a year ago, had his first collection of short stories published: *Crude Sketches Done in Quick Succession*, published by Queen’s Ferry Press this past February. His short story, "Big Eyes, Wide Smiles," was named an Honorable Mention in the 2015 Pushcart Prize anthology for Best of the Small Presses.
- Dr. Mark Sanders had a creative essay, "Homecoming Parade," published in *Permafrost*; he was also cited at length in an article written by novelist Rick Moody, who examined post-Beatles music.
- Dr. Charles Fredrick Abel was elected Editor-in-Chief, *Administrative Theory and Praxis* (A Quarterly International Academic Journal) beginning January 2015.
- Dr. Kenneth Collier, Dr. Julie Harrelson-Stephens, and Dr. Steve Galatas co-authored *Lone Star Politics* (4th edition) that will be released this year and is increasingly being adopted by colleges in Texas.

- Dr. Michael Tkacik was invited as a guest distinguished visiting lecturer in the Philippines. He received a Fulbright-SyCip Distinguished Lecturing Award for his lecture on US/Philippine Relations and the Rise of China given at various Institutions in the Philippines in January and February.
- Dr. Lauren Brewer and Dr. Kyle Conlon presented research in collaboration with seven SFA students (three graduate and four undergraduate students) at the Southwestern Psychological Association's (SWPA) annual conference in Wichita, KS.

College of Sciences and Mathematics

- Dr. Jennifer Gumm has been awarded a grant to conduct a study on the evolution of color signals in mantis shrimp, including fieldwork in Panama.
- Dr. Steve Wagner is the digital author and editor for LearnSmart Resources for the 8th edition of *Microbiology: A Human Perspective (Nester)*, published by McGraw-Hill Higher Ed.
- The Research Council of Norway awarded Dr. Tayo Odunuga a travel grant for a three month visit to The University of Tromso. Dr. Odunuga serves as a guest researcher in the Department of Medical Biology and The Norwegian Structural Biology Centre (NorStruct).
- Dr. Keith Hubbard, Dr. Karen Embry-Jenlink (Secondary Education) and Dr. Lesa Beverly published a research report on the T4 Scholars STEM teacher recruitment and retention model developed at SFA with funding from the National Science Foundation. The report appeared in the April issue of the *Kappa Delta Pi Record*, one of the most distinctive education journals with a circulation of over 15,000 readers.
- SFA nursing faculty presented at the American Psychiatric Nurses' Association, the American Association of Nurse Practitioners National Conference, and the 15th Annual Nurse Educator Institute: Leading the Path for Change.
- Dr. Sara Bishop and Ms. Debra McCarthy were awarded a grant by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Nursing Innovation Grant Program for Building Lab and Simulation Capacity.