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Announcements

Please join us in a hearty congratulations to Dr. Stephanie Curtis, the Winner of the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) Region 3 Excellence in Advising Award for Faculty (2017). Established in 1983, the NACADA Annual Awards Program for Academic Advising honors individuals and institutions making significant contributions to the improvement of academic advising. Region 3 includes North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Virginia.

Dr. Curtis' award was based on demonstrated excellence in the following areas:

- Her knowledge, use, and promotion of policies to support student success, and her strong leadership in the implementation of NC State policies.
- Her commitment to professional development through a career path that continuously took on new challenges, allowing her to grow in her perspective and methods for working with students.
- Her commitment to improving advising practices on campus, demonstrated in part by her mentoring new Genetics advisers and participating in committees like the CALS Teaching

and Advising Effectiveness Committee (1994-2007), the Life Sciences First Year Program Committee, and the College of Sciences Undergraduate Coordinators and Curriculum Committee.

- Her commitment to helping students assess their interests and abilities, clarify their educational and career goals, and make use of educational resources and services. Dr. Curtis has served as research mentor, WISE mentor, Director of the Genetics Undergraduate Program, director of the Genetics minor and adviser to over 450 Genetics minors, and adviser to all the Genetics BS majors through Fall 2015 and approximately half of them from Fall 2015-Fall 2016. Dr. Curtis is notable for not only her unwavering support of her advisees, but also for challenging them. Students wrote:
 - "Dr. Curtis has helped me both achieve and realize my academic and career goals... Without Dr. Curtis's help, I very well may have gotten frustrated with the search for a lab and never discovered my true passion.
 - "Dr. Curtis has...helped me make the best of my undergraduate career here."
 - "Dr. Curtis provided early and continuing guidance about all facets of the importance of an interdisciplinary curricula and undergraduate research for science majors."
 - "Without Dr. Curtis's assistance, I would never have been aware of all the opportunities afforded me by NC State."

Again, please join us in congratulating Dr. Curtis for this significant award in advising!



-Jill Anderson, Coordinator of Advising

ECOLOGY & EVOLUTION 2017 BURROUGHS WELCOME DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Mapping Microbes on Scales from our Bodies to our Planet:

From the Human Microbiome Project to the Earth Microbiome Projects

Dr. Rob Knight

Professor, Dept of Pediatrics and Dept of Computer Science University of California San Diego

January 12

3:30pm | 101 David Clark Labs

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Nominations are now being accepted for the **2017 Equity for Women Awards.** Nominations will close on <u>Monday, January 23, 2017 at 5pm.</u>

The NC State University Council on the Status of Women invites you to nominate NC State faculty, staff and students for the Equity for Women Award. This award is made annually to recognize faculty, staff and students for their outstanding leadership in establishing equity for women at NC State University. Nominations are solicited from all members of the campus community, including faculty, staff, students, alumni and partners. This year, we will be awarding up to three individuals.

Not sure whom to recommend? Think about faculty, staff and students of any gender who are passionate, ambitious, inspired, courageous, and strong leaders with a commitment to advocacy of gender equity in everyday life at NC State University. Nominees should demonstrate excellence in one or more of the following areas over the past 12 months:

- Leadership: Taking action to promote gender equity on and beyond campus through leadership roles
- Service: Supporting equity for women through job-related or voluntary roles
- Scholarship: Contributing new knowledge and informing policy and practice related to women's well-being and equality

Criteria for rating these areas will be based on commitment to leadership, service, and/or scholarship as well as the impact of the nominee's efforts. Please note: Current members of the Council of the Status of Women are not eligible for the award and should not be nominated. Please check the current <u>roster</u> if you aren't sure who is on the council.

Please nominate worthy candidates for any category by completing the nomination form which can be found <u>here</u>.

Attached please find an informational flyer for distribution.

Please contact Lisa LaBarbera-Mascote at <u>919-515-2012</u> with any questions.



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