Awards and Accolades

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Congratulations to these recently honored University employees.

Stuart Marsh Appointed to Arizona Resource Advisory Council

Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell has appointed Stuart E. Marsh to the Bureau of Land Management’s Arizona Resource Advisory Council for a three-year term. Marsh is director of the School of Natural Resources and the Environment [1] in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences [2]. The 15-member Resource Advisory Council is composed of citizens from diverse backgrounds who share an interest in public lands and are responsible for providing advice to the BLM’s Arizona state director for the balanced management of public land resources to serve the interests of all public land users in the state. Marsh will be serving as a representative of academicians in natural resource management.

UA Psychologist Named Bisgrove Scholar

Fabian Fernandez, UA assistant professor of psychology and neurology and a member of the BIO5 Institute [3], has been named a Bisgrove Scholar by Science Foundation Arizona. The Bisgrove Scholars program recognizes exceptional individuals who have demonstrated substantial achievement and whose research has the potential to transform society. Fernandez was awarded for his work in identifying circadian factors during middle age that increase risk for later-life cognitive impairment; developing novel, light-based treatments to stem loss of cognition during aging; and establishing basic principles for how circadian functions shape memory processing.

Robin Rarick Earns Excellence in Advising Award

Robin Rarick, director of academic advising and student services in the UA College of Science [4], has been selected to receive the 2016 Region 10 Excellence in Advising – Advising Administrator Award. The National Academic Advising Association recognizes Rarick’s dedication to the UA advising program and to helping students succeed and achieve their goals. Rarick will be honored at the 2016 Region 10 Conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico, later this year.

Architecture Professor’s Team Recognized for Excellence in Public Interest Design

Mary Hardin, professor and associate dean of academic and faculty affairs in the UA College of Architecture, Planning and Landscape Architecture [5], was part of the three-person design team for the Barrio Collaboration, which was recently named a SEED Award winner for Excellence in Public Interest Design. The SEED Awards recognized six designs that address the world’s critical social, economic and environmental issues. The Barrio Collaboration, created by the Drachman Design-Build Coalition, provides affordable, energy- and water-conserving housing for the city of Tucson. Hardin, president of the coalition,
carefully cost accounted for keeping the purchase price within range for families earning below 80 percent of area median income, while applying energy efficiency and water conservation strategies. Hardin and her team’s work will be recognized at the 16th annual Structures for Inclusion conference.

We want to know about your good news. If you, your department or a colleague have won any major awards, been honored nationally or internationally, or accomplished some other major feat that deserves recognition, let us know about it.

To submit your news, please send us an email with the following information:

Name of the person or team receiving the honor.
Name of the organization granting the honor.
A description of the honor.
When the honor was announced and when it will be presented (or was presented).
A photo of the honoree. If others appear in the photo, please provide their names and affiliations.

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