

*Second Annual
Celebration of
Teaching Excellence*

October 3, 2007

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Opening Remarks

Dr. Alan Wright
Vice-Provost, Teaching & Learning

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Greetings from Russia

Dr. Ross Paul
President & Vice-Chancellor

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On Celebrating Teaching Excellence

Professor Neil Gold
Provost & Vice-President, Academic

Alumni Awards Excellence in Mentoring Award

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- Recognizes faculty who offer personal, academic and/or professional guidance to students, and make a significant contribution to their all-around development up to and following graduation

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Dr. Lynda Corkum

Department of Biological Sciences,
Faculty of Science

Winner of the 2006 Excellence in Mentoring Award

“My greatest satisfaction lies in helping undergraduate and graduate students in research, and in getting everyone to feel that they are equal partners in the research team, while providing constant support, encouragement, and opportunities for students.”



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Dr. Barbara Zielinski

Department of Biological Sciences,
Faculty of Science

Winner of the 2006 Excellence in Mentoring Award

“This generation will be the first to understand mechanisms for brain function...We are obliged to equip students with the tools for discovering nature through the experimental approach of controlled experiments. We teach this scientific approach by helping students understand the experiments of those who went before them, by critical discussion on every step of our students' proposed experiments, and by supporting our students in their experiments.”

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Dr. Ken Cramer

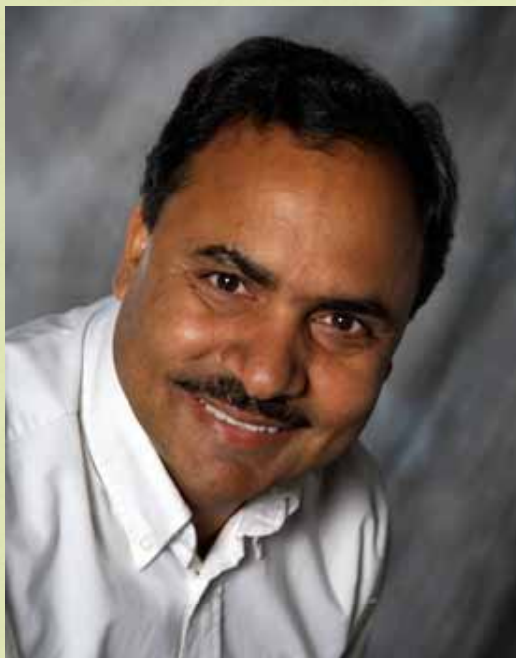
Department of Psychology

Winner of the 2007 Alumni Award for Distinguished
Contributions to University Teaching

"In this environmental age, teaching is biodegradable: it's a job you work yourself out of...Our job is less about information and far more about inquiry. That is, our goal as educators should be to provide students with not just the interest to ask questions, but with the skills to answer them; so I can't be all too surprised when, if I've done what I set out to do, I wake up one day without a job."



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Dr. Siyaram Pandey

Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

Winner of the 2007 Alumni Award for Distinguished
Contributions to University Teaching

"Each class is a pool of budding scientists...Teachers must make sure students are interested in the subject, then the learning becomes automatic...Interest among students in the subject area...ignites the curiosity in them to learn more."



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Professor Lionel Walsh

School of Dramatic Art

Winner of the 2007 Alumni Award for Distinguished Contributions to University Teaching

"I see myself as a facilitator of student learning and I seek to create an environment where young actors are safe to explore, fail, grow, and develop as independent artists. My classes focus on the development of the actor's creative imagination so that my students can approach a role confidently and with a solid technique that will serve to release their own unique inspiration."



2007 Leadership in Faculty Teaching Award (LIFT)

- Developed to recognize and encourage teaching excellence at Ontario's colleges and universities
- Given to faculty who influence, motivate, and inspire students and demonstrate leadership in teaching methods
- Winners receive \$20,000 over two years to encourage excellence in the classroom setting



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Professor Donna-Marie Eansor

Faculty of Law

Winner of the 2007 Leadership in Faculty Teaching (LIFT) Award

“As a teacher, my contribution to the **making** of lawyers calls upon me to **cultivate** a sensitive, caring, inclusive, nurturing, and supportive environment with trust and honesty as the centerpiece of the student/teacher partnership. A mutual and respectful relationship facilitates learning and both academic and personal growth.”



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Dr. Richard Frost

School of Computer Science

Winner of the 2007 Leadership in Faculty Teaching (LIFT) Award

“The primary role of faculty should be to motivate and encourage students to become fully engaged in learning...Faculty should be expert mentors whose goal is to help all students reach their potential by creating well organized courses with clear expectations, active student participation, and fair means of assessment.”



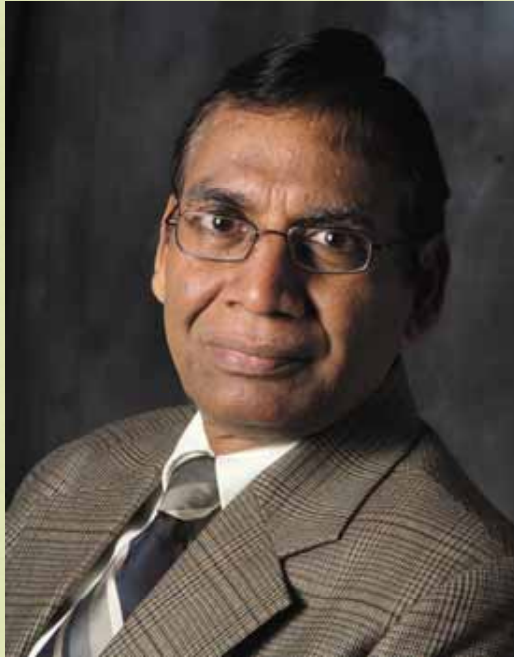
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Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Associations (OCUFA) Award

- Established in 1973
- Recognizes teachers who embrace virtually all levels of instruction – graduate and undergraduate teaching, continuing education, and faculty development, and those whose instruction extends well beyond the classroom
- Acknowledges those who excel in course design, curriculum development, organization of teaching programs, and other significant forms of leadership



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Dr. Akshai Aggarwal
School of Computer Science
Winner of the 2007 OCUFA Teaching Award

"I see myself as a lifelong mentor for my students, and my interaction with all of these learners continuously renews my understanding of technology, of the needs of industry, and of teaching and learning."



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