VCCS New Horizons 2011: Award Recognition

Excellence in Education - 2011

Best Practices in Teaching Face-to-Face

The following two finalists were chosen out of 12 applicants and invited to display their information at the Excellence in Education reception.

Runner-up Project - The Student Lecture Series. Howard Rose, J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College. His college receives $200 for expenses to support this project.

Winning Project - Math Journals. Theresa Thomas (pictured right), Blue Ridge Community College. Her college receives $300 for expenses to support this project.

Improving Student Success - Institutional

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Runner-up Project - Pathway to the Baccalaureate. Kerin Hilker-Balkissoon, Northern Virginia Community College. Her college receives $200 for expenses to support this project.

Winning Project - Partnerships for Student Success. Team members are: Jennifer Schaefer (pictured right), Miriam Moore (pictured right), Brenda Byard, Eunice Myers, and Mary Ann Keefer, Lord Fairfax Community College. Their college receives $300 for expenses to support this project.

Innovative Use of Technology in the Face-to-Face and Online Classroom

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- Sam Dillender of Lord Fairfax for The Use of Wimba Voice Authoring to Narrate Selected Chemistry Courses.
- Stacey Effrig of Blue Ridge Community College for How SWANK it is: Using New Technology to Legally Obtain Online Access to Films.
- Kim Grewe of Eastern Shore Community College for To the Cloud! Using Google Sites to Create ePortfolios in the Creative Writing Classroom.
- Rebecca Kamen with team member, Ted Markson of Northern Virginia Community College for Divining Nature: Sequential Light/ NOVA Lattice Project.
- Joan Osborne of Lord Fairfax Community College for Lord Fairfax Community College's Global "Help & Support" Area.
- Ian Taylor with team member Peter Shaw of Tidewater Community College for Cove: Classroom and Office Virtual Environment.

Runner-up Project - MODEL: Multimedia for Online, Distance and eLearning. Ken Fairbanks of Wytheville Community College with team members C.J. Bracken of J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College, Joan Osborne of Lord Fairfax Community College, and Tim Hoffman of Piedmont Virginia Community College. His college receives $200 for expenses to support this project.

Winning Project - Student Built, Community Benefits: Web Sites by Design. Anita Sutton (pictured right), Germanna Community College. Her college receives $300 for expenses to support this project.

Early Implementers

First Place: Charles (Ron) Hamilton, Assistant Professor, Languages and Speech Division, Tidewater Community College. The STARR Guidance System for Writing Across the Disciplines: Evaluating Scores.

Second Place: Neelam Sharma, Associate Professor of Nursing, Northern Virginia Community College. Mobile Learning for Enhanced Student Learning.

Recognition of Excellence

Academic Achievement

Ian Taylor, *Thomas Nelson*
Master of Arts, Economics; December 2009; Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA; Thesis: Applying Vertical Integration and Retail Price Maintenance to the Honda Motorcycle Business Model.

Honors and Awards

Alton Carroll, *Northern Virginia*
Fulbright Senior Scholar; Indonesia; August 2008-June 2009. Taught History of Tribal People and Other Minorities in US History, a comparative course for Indonesian students. Taught other courses on US History.

Leadership Positions in Professional Organizations

Kristina Green, *J. Sargeant Reynolds*
National Federation of Opticianry Schools - President - 2010-2012

Other Notable Accomplishments

Bruce Brown, *Wytheville*
Mayor, Radford

Jim Robb, *J. Sargeant Reynolds*
Member of the Richmond City Council's Green City Commission

Keli Slusher, *Thomas Nelson*
Award of Merit for Distinguished Achievement in a School District- National School Public Relations Association (NSPRA) Fall 2010

Dedra Wright, *J. Sargeant Reynolds*
Mathematics Specialist, Virginia Department of Education

Presentation at an International Conference

Justin Nussbaum, *Blue Ridge*
Symposium presentation; Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience in San Diego, CA, November 15, 2010. The title of the presentation: Pyroglutamate-modified Î²-amyloid amplifies tau-dependent cytotoxicity of conventional Î²-amyloid.

Publication in Peer-reviewed Journals

Elizabeth Ross, *Tidewater*
Journal of Insect Physiology, Volume 55, Issue 10, October 2009 Pages 909-918. Male engorgement factor: Role in stimulating engorgement to repletion in the ixodid tick, Dermacentor variabilis.

Publication of Text Book or Book Chapter

Miles McCrimmon, *J. Sargeant Reynolds*
Publication of a Textbook: The Flat World Knowledge Handbook for Writers ISBN 13: 78-1-4533-1073-1 ISBN 13 Color: 978-1-4533-1074-8 Flat World Knowledge, Inc. 2011.

Chernoh Wurie, *Northern Virginia*
Co-authored a chapter in Breakthrough Mentoring in the 21st Century by Walter McCollum.