



# GRADUATE NEWS

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## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SPRING 2013 MASTER'S AND DOCTORAL GRADUATES !

### 2013 DOCTORAL MENTORING AWARD WINNER

It is our great pleasure to announce this year's winner of the Doctoral Mentoring Award, **Dr. Frederic (Rick) McKenzie** from the Frank Batten College of Engineering Technology, Department of Modeling, Simulation, and Visual Engineering. This is a distinct honor bestowed on a faculty member who has provided extraordinary mentoring to doctoral students throughout the completion of their dissertations. Through this award, the Office of Graduate Studies seeks to recognize faculty members who have made contributions to the education, guidance, and professional development of graduate students. From his nomination letters, Dr. McKenzie was described as being invaluable to graduate students in the College of Engineering. He has been very successful in supporting graduate students through his well funded projects and has also encouraged them to participate in grant writing with him. Dr. McKenzie will be recognized at the spring Faculty Awards recognition dinner. He will receive a plaque and a monetary award of \$4000.



### 2013 OUTSTANDING GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT AWARD WINNERS

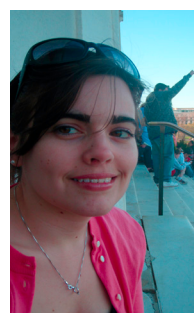
#### CLASSROOM

**NATHAPON "MAX" SIANGCHOKYOO** - PhD student in the Engineering Management Department, Max received his BS in Computer Science in May 2008 and his Master's in Engineering Management in December 2010. According to his nomination portfolio, he has made multiple positive contributions in his teaching assistant career. Mr. Siangchokyoo has significantly improved the turnaround time for grading papers as well as contributed to improvements on graded materials and assignments.



#### LABORATORY

**RACHEL CALLAN** - PhD candidate in Industrial and Organizational Psychology, Ms. Callan began her doctoral studies in the fall of 2009. According to her nomination portfolio, she was responsible for managing a graduate lab in statistics course required by all of the psychology's graduate programs. One of her nominators indicates that her assistance with the course transcended her laboratory section responsibilities. Ms. Callan was a mentor and a coach for students throughout the semester, particularly as exam times approached. She was also described as weaving humor into her presentations which is quite a challenge in the context of a statistics laboratory.



# GRADUATE RESEARCH ACHIEVEMENT DAY 2013



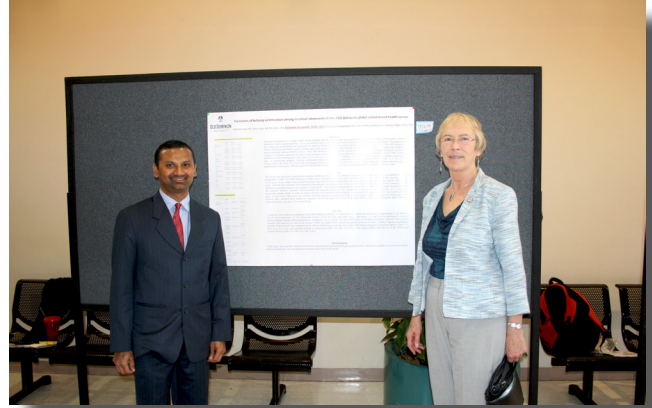
Eric Webb and Lucas Flatt, College of Arts & Letters, presenting Barely South Review during the Oral Presentation Session



Students from the College of Education gather for a group picture.



Adrian J. Bravo, College of Sciences, presenting his research to other interested students



Sricharan Pasupulati, College of Health Sciences, and Provost Carol Simpson



Angela de Mik, College of Education, and President Broderick



Students presenting their work during the Poster Presentation Session

The Office of Graduate Studies would like to thank all participating students for their dedication and hard work in making this year's Graduate Research Achievement Day a success.

We look forward to next year's presentations !

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