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Faculty/Staff Achievements



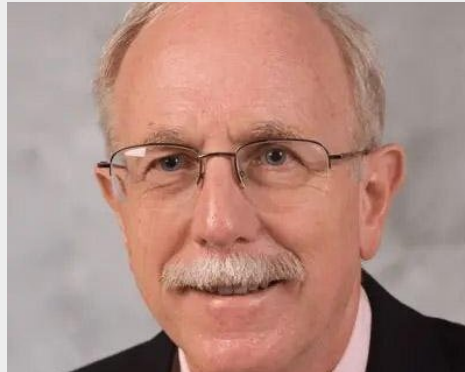
Harold Blum, assistant professor in the School of Mathematics, and **Alexander Dunn**, Richard A. Duke Assistant Professor in the School of Mathematics, have each been independently recognized by the International Congress of Basic Science and have won a 2026 Frontiers of Science Award for their work.



Saumya Jain, assistant professor in the School of Biological Sciences, has been named a 2026 Searle Scholar and awarded a \$450,000 research grant. His research focuses on how connections in the brain form during development and what goes wrong in conditions such as autism and schizophrenia.



Biing Hwang "Fred" Juang, professor in the school of Electrical and Computer Engineering, has been awarded the Jack S. Kilby Signal Processing Medal for foundational contributions to speech and signal processing that underpin modern voice communication and recognition systems.



James H. McClellan, professor emeritus in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, has received the James H. Mulligan Jr. Education Medal for his transformative impact on engineering education, including pioneering new approaches to how digital signal processing is taught worldwide.



Nathan McDonald and **Farzaneh Najafi**, assistant professors in the School of Biological Sciences, have received grants from the Shurl and Kay Curci Foundation to support new research in their fields.



Afroditi Papadopoulou, incoming assistant professor in the College of Sciences, has been invited to attend the 75th Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting in Germany to debate the future of science. Papadopoulou is one of 600 young scientists selected from around the world to attend.





The Vertical Flight Society has named **Marilyn Smith**, David S. Lewis Professor and director of the Vertical Lift Research Center of Excellence in the Daniel Guggenheim School of Aerospace Engineering, an Honorary Fellow, one of the organization's highest honors.



James Stroud, Elizabeth Smithgall-Watts Early Career Assistant Professor in the School of Biological Sciences, has been awarded the Bicentenary Medal by the Linnean Society of London in recognition of his pioneering work in evolutionary ecology and community contributions.



Emily Weigel, senior academic professional in the School of Biological Sciences, has been awarded the Eugene P. Odum Award for Excellence in Ecology Education by the Ecological Society of America. The award celebrates an individual's sustained, outstanding work in ecology education.



Upcoming Events

May 28

A&F Simplified

11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Rooftop, Clough Undergraduate Learning Commons

Question, Persuade, and Refer Training

Noon – 2 p.m.

Online

June 2

Research Town Hall

11 a.m. – noon

Scholars Event Theater, Price Gilbert Library, and Online

June 3

Leading at Tech: Transformational Change

9 – 10 a.m.

Online

June 10

Imposter Syndrome

10 – 11 a.m.

Online

The Resilience Playbook: Effective Conflict Engagement

1 – 4 p.m.

Wilby Room, Crosland Tower

More Events



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