

College of Arts and Sciences 2007 Alumni Achievement Awards



Christine Cronk, (ℓ) with Department of Anthropology Chair, Robert Ulin

Dr. Cronk received both her BA (1966) and her MA (1976) in anthropology from WMU. She completed a Doctorate of Science in Maternal and Child Health at the Harvard School of Public Health in 1980.

Walter Scott received his MA in 1977 from WMU. He serves as counsel at Alston & Bird, a major U.S. Law firm with an extensive national and international practice. (photo not available)

Bob Hercules, (ℓ) with School of Communication Director, Steve Rhodes

Bob Hercules received his BA in 1979 in Telecommunications with a minor in creative writing. He received his master's degree in Film from the University of Michigan in 1983.



Glenn Gross, (ℓ) with Department of Economics Chair, Bill Kern

Glenn Gross received his BA in 1967 and his MA in 1968 in Economics at WMU. He is the CEO of CamelBak, the world's leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of hands-free hydration systems.

Francine Rossi, (ℓ) with Department of English Chair, Richard Utz

Francine Rossi earned her BA in 1970 from WMU. She completed her MS in Journalism at Roosevelt University. Rossi served on the WMU Alumni Board of Directors for six years.



Lawrence Kuiper, (ℓ) with Department of Foreign Languages Chair, Cynthia Running-Johnson

Dr. Kuiper received his BA in 1988 in French from WMU and his PhD in 1999 from Michigan State University. He is an Associate Professor of French at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

**Sharafat Khan, (ℓ) with Department of Geography
Chair, Benjamin Ofori-Amoah**

Dr. Shaz Khan is a principal with Deloitte Consulting LLP specializing in General Management. He received his BS degree in 1979, his MA degree in 1982, and he earned his EdD in 1984, all from WMU.



**Robert K. Garrison, (ℓ) with Department of
Geosciences Chair, Mohamed Sultan**

Robert Garrison earned his BS in 1974 in Geology from WMU. He graduated Cum Laude and was a Waldo Sangren Research Scholar. He received his MS in 1977 from the University of Cincinnati. He has worked with various oil companies, beginning his career at Shell Oil.

**William C. Donohoe, (ℓ) with Department of History
Chair, Buddy Gray**

William Donohoe received his BA in 1959 in History and a teaching certificate in 1962 from WMU. He served in the Peace Corps in Ethiopia and Somalia. He has worked with the New York City Planning Department, the Battery Park City Authority, and several private development companies.



**Ben Smith, (ℓ) with Mallinson Institute for Science
Education Director, William Cobern**

Ben Smith graduated from WMU as a science teacher in 1964. A few years later, Ben joined the cadre of students who eventually became the first doctoral graduates in science education from WMU, and in 1972 Ben became the third person to be awarded the doctorate in science education at WMU. He retired after serving 15 years as superintendent of the Constantine Public Schools.

**Vern Paulsen, (ℓ) with Department of Mathematics
Chair, Gene Freudenburg**

Dr. Paulsen received his BA in 1973 from WMU and his PhD in 1977 from the University of Michigan. From 1978 to 2003 Paulsen was awarded 10 NSF grants totaling



more than \$900,000. He has served as editor of the *Houston Journal of Mathematics* since 1990.



Zachary Ernst received his BS from WMU in philosophy. He completed his doctorate in 2002 at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, specializing in the philosophy of biology and mathematical logic.

James R. Slusser, (℥) with Department of Physics Chair, Paul Pancella

Dr. Slusser received his BS and his MA from WMU in 1977 and 1980 respectively. He earned his Ph.D from the University of Alaska in Fairbanks. He began his career at the Natural Resource Ecology Laboratory as Senior Research Scientist of the UVB Radiation Monitoring and Research Program at Colorado State University in 1996.



Lee P. Reno, (ℓ) with, Department of Political Science Chair, Kevin Corder

Lee P. Reno received his BS in 1963 from WMU and his law degree from Howard University. He served in Liberia in the Peace Corps for two years and is a founding member of Reno & Cavanaugh, a Washington D.C. law firm established in 1977.

Terry McSween, (ℓ) with Department of Psychology Chair, R. Wayne Fuqua

Dr. McSween received his PhD in 1980 in Applied Behavior Analysis from WMU and is the founder and CEO of Quality Safety Edge, a company that specializes in the application of behavioral technology to promote employee safety and improve quality and teamwork.



John E. Crews received his BA in 1969 from Franklin College, his MA in 1971 from Indiana University, and an additional MA in Blind Rehabilitation from WMU in 1977. Crews earned his Doctor of Public Administration degree from WMU in 1990.

Joyce Montgomery-Scott was the first African-American female to receive the PhD in Sociology from WMU in 1995. She had received her BS in 1981 and her MS in 1991 in criminal justice from Grambling State University. (photo not

available)

**Julianne Cassin Sharp, (U) with Spanish Department
Chair, Mercedes Tasende**

Dr. Cassin Sharp graduated Magna Cum Laude, receiving her BA in 1998 in Political Science (Public Law) and Spanish at WMU. She is a 2001 graduate of the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law. She is an attorney with the law firm of Maroko and Landau, P.C. Her practice focuses on business immigration for employees of global corporations, family-based immigration, and defending clients before the U.S. Immigration Court.



**Michael Longnecker, (U) with Department of Statistics
Interim Chair, Jay Wood**

Dr. Longnecker earned his MS in Statistics at WMU, a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Michigan Technological University, and a PhD in Statistics from Florida State University. He is a professor and associate department head of the department of statistics at Texas A & M University.