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TWU CHANCELLOR ANN STUART NAMED WOMAN OF DISTINCTION

Texas Woman's University Chancellor Dr. Ann Stuart was recently named a Woman of Distinction by the American Association of University Women (AAUW) of Texas at its annual convention.

Dr. Stuart was one of 100 female leaders from around the state honored for their extraordinary accomplishments in their professions and communities by the AAUW of Texas. Chancellor Stuart was nominated for this award by the AAUW Denton branch.

"I appreciate this honor and am grateful to the Denton branch for nominating me," Chancellor Stuart said. "TWU is a leader in providing quality higher education to women, and I am proud of how TWU and the AAUW work together to encourage young girls to attend college."

Every other year, AAUW and TWU co-sponsor the Expanding Your Horizons in Science and Mathematics™ conference, which showcases math and science careers to more than 400 middle school girls in the DFW area.

With approximately 100,000 members, 1,000 branches, and 500 college/university institution partners nationwide, the AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research. For more information on the AAUW of Texas, visit www.aauwtexas.org.

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TWU PROGRAM EARNS RENEWED CACREP ACCREDITATION

The counseling and development program at Texas Woman's University has earned renewed accreditation for its school and community counseling components from the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP).

"Receiving this accreditation is a seal that indicates we are willing to go above and beyond because we want to have a quality program and graduate students who become

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quality counselors,” said Dr. Susan Adams, assistant professor of counseling and development and CACREP coordinator for TWU’s counseling and development program.

The master’s degree program in community counseling received an eight-year accreditation, the maximum accreditation period awarded by the organization. The master’s program in the school counseling component received a two-year accreditation. According to the CACREP website, www.cacrep.org, a two-year accreditation status is given to programs that substantially meet CACREP standards, yet have minor deficiencies to address.

“There were some minor issues with our internships, plus we’re in the midst of a faculty search for a school counselor educator,” Dr. Adams said.

“I’m very pleased with the outcome,” she said. “For us to go through this lengthy process and have only one standard we didn’t quite meet — something that can easily be corrected — is wonderful.”

Faculty members in the two TWU counseling programs began preparing for the accreditation process in January 2005, examining their curriculum, faculty resources, program objectives and more, then defining how these areas met CACREP standards. A CACREP team then visited the university in September 2007 to verify the information provided in the programs’ self-study.

“The team was impressed with the amount of support from former students, supervisors at the clinical sites, and the fact that people in the community speak highly of our programs and graduates,” Dr. Adams said.

The CACREP Board of Directors met in January to make decisions on accreditation. TWU’s community counseling program is accredited through March 31, 2016. The school counseling program’s accreditation runs through March 31, 2010.

According to the CACREP website, programs accredited for a two-year period are required to submit a report before the end of that period showing how the issues cited have been addressed. “If that report is satisfactory, CACREP will review the program and could grant an additional six years of accreditation,” Dr. Adams said.

As part of their eight-year accreditation, all programs are required to submit a mid-cycle report to document any major changes in faculty or curriculum.

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Dr. Adams believes the effort is worth it due to what accreditation means.

“It establishes a high standard we have voluntarily agreed to meet,” she said. “It shows our commitment to a standard of excellence.”

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NEWSBRIEFS

Information and news about activities, programs or TWU people may be sent to the Office of Marketing and Communication through campus mail or by e-mail to info@twu.edu. The deadline to receive information is the first and third Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. for the following week. Student information for the “People” section is not published unless it is submitted by or in conjunction with a faculty member and that faculty member’s related activities.

TWU’s School of the Arts presents the **Latino Dance & Music Festival** July 17-19 on the Denton campus. The event will feature the world premiere of a new work by internationally acclaimed composer Ernesto Garcia de León, as well as performances by the TWU International Dance Company, the TWU Guitar Quartet and several special guests. Admission to the July 19 “Evening of Dance, Music and Visual Art” is \$5, with tickets available at the door. There is no charge for admission to other events. See the schedule of events in “The Next Two Weeks at TWU” in this issue of Update, or call 81-3721 for more information.

UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE

Please submit “People” items (faculty and staff only) to the Office of Marketing and Communication by campus mail or by e-mail to info@twu.edu. Include first and last names (no initials, please) and appropriate titles (ie. Dr.).

Dr. **Claire L. Sahlin** (women’s studies) made a presentation during a session titled “Feminist Perspectives on Environmental Justice: Ecofeminism in Pedagogy, Action, and Artistic Practice” at the National Women’s Studies Association conference in Cincinnati, Ohio, on June 21. She also made presentations during workshops for doctoral students in women’s studies and new women’s studies program administrators.

Jennifer Henderson has joined the Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences as administrative assistant. She may be reached at 81-2637 or 81-2636.

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: JULY 7-20, 2008

Mon., July 7	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Tues., July 8	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Wed., July 9	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Thur., July 10	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Fri., July 11	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
Sat., July 12	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Sun., July 13	-Library open 2-10 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-10 p.m.
Mon., July 14	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Tues., July 15	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Wed., July 16	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Thur., July 17	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight. -TWU School of the Arts presents Latino Dance & Music Festival, "An Evening of Classical Guitar," 7:30 p.m., Redbud Theater Complex on the northwest side of Hubbard Hall. Free. 81-3721.
Fri., July 18	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

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-TWU School of the Arts presents Latino Dance & Music Festival, with guitarist Ernesto Garcia de León, 7:30 p.m., Redbud Theater Complex on the northwest side of Hubbard Hall. Free. 81-3721.

Sat., July 19

-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

-TWU School of the Arts presents Latino Dance & Music Festival, "Meet the Performer," an informal concert and lecture featuring Ernesto Garcia de León, 10-11 a.m., Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 2255 N. Bonnie Brae in Denton. Free. 81-3721.

-TWU School of the Arts presents Latino Dance & Music Festival, "Meet the Artists," a public reception to meet the artists whose work, "Flora," is on display. Reception is scheduled from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. in the TWU Fine Arts Building. Free. 81-3721.

-TWU School of the Arts presents Latino Dance & Music Festival, "An Evening of Dance, Music and Visual Art," 7 p.m., MJPH. Admission is \$5; tickets available at the door. 81-3721.

Sun., July 20

-Library open 2-10 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-10 p.m.

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