

Dr. Tom Davis Wins Bernhardt Award at SWOSU

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Dr. Tom Davis (third from left) won the Bernhardt Academic Excellence Award for 2015 at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford. The award for exceptional achievement in teaching, scholarship and service is made possible by Dr. William and Theta Juan Bernhardt (left) of Midwest City. Also pictured is SWOSU President Randy Beutler. Davis won a \$5,000 cash award made possible by the Bernhardts.

Dr. Tom W. Davis, associate professor of pharmacy practice in the College of Pharmacy, is the winner of the Bernhardt Academic Excellence Award for 2015 at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

Davis was surprised with the prestigious award at the annual Bernhardt banquet held March 12 in the Memorial Student Center on the SWOSU campus. For winning the award, Davis received a \$5,000 cash award, clock, pen and medallion.

SWOSU alumni Dr. William and Theta Juan Bernhardt of Midwest City are sponsors of the annual award that goes to an outstanding faculty member who exhibits exceptional achievement in teaching, scholarship and service.

Tom Davis is a 1970 graduate of SWOSU where he completed a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy degree. He earned his Doctor of Medicine in 1974 at the University of Oklahoma Health Science Center.

Davis has served 27 years in SWOSU's pharmacy practice department. In addition, he serves as medical director for various programs at Saint Anthony Hospital in Oklahoma City. Those areas include Recovery and Treatment Outpatient Program; Pharmacy and Medication Management; and Performance Improvement.

Over the years, Davis has been an inspiring continuing education instructor which has resulted in many invited presentations across the United States.

Davis has been selected 10 times as the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) Teacher of the Year for the SWOSU Department of Pharmacy Practice. The award recipient is chosen by SWOSU students in the pharmacy program. He was also selected as Pharmacist of the Year in 2010 by the Oklahoma Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

At SWOSU, Davis has served in Faculty Senate and has been involved with the university's strategic planning committee. He was also part of the university's Centennial Planning Committee from 2000-2002 and the Presidential Inauguration Committee in 2001.

In the SWOSU College of Pharmacy, Davis has been active on several committees including Admissions, Assessment and Dean's Search. He has been involved on various self-study teams associated with the College of Pharmacy's accreditation process.

Previous winners of the Bernhardt Award are (in order by year): Dr. Vilas Prabhu, Dr. Stuart Burchett, Dr. Gary Wolgamott, Dr. Terry Segress, Dr. James Hunsicker, Dr. Jill Jones, Dr. James Breckenridge, Dr. John Ludrick, Dr. W. Steven Pray, Dr. Les Crall, Dr. Peter Grant, Dr. John Hayden, Dr. Virgil Van Dusen, Steve Strickler, Dr. Mary Aspedon, Dr. John Woods, Dr. Scott Long, Dr. Charles Rogers, Dr. Tim Hubin, Dr. Brian Campbell and Dr. Patsy Parker.