

# Sims Honored by SWOSU College of Pharmacy

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Nelson M. Sims (right) of Key Largo (FL) was recently honored by the SWOSU College of Pharmacy in Weatherford with the Dean's Distinguished Service Award for extraordinary service activities dedicated to pharmacy and SWOSU. Making the presentation is SWOSU COP Dean Dennis Thompson.

Southwestern Oklahoma State University graduate Nelson M. Sims of Key Largo (FL) was recently honored by the SWOSU College of Pharmacy in Weatherford.

Sims, a 1971 graduate, was awarded the Dean's Distinguished Service Award for extraordinary service activities dedicated to pharmacy and SWOSU.

Originally from Watonga, he and his wife, Janie, also a graduate of SWOSU, have been loyal and faithful supporters of the university for many years.

Sims has had a distinguished record of service to the pharmaceutical industry. He served as a corporate executive with Eli Lilly for 29 years prior to his retirement in 2001. Sims served as president of Eli Lilly Canada from 1991 to 1999. In Canada, he also served as chairman of the board for the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association. From 2003 to 2005, Sims was the president and CEO of Novavax, a biotechnology company.

He remains active in the pharmaceutical industry serving as an advisor and director for biotechnology company boards. Sims also serves on the Southwestern Oklahoma State University Foundation Board of Directors.