

Points of Excellence

2004 - 2005

“Fighting Lions: The Glory Years,” a television documentary on the history of Southeastern football, won two Telly Awards. Produced by the Southeastern Channel, the program won the prestigious award in both “Documentary Program” and “Sports Program” categories.

Southeastern’s Social Work program has received an eight-year reaffirmation of its national accreditation by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). The accreditation is the maximum duration granted by the council, which is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation as the sole accrediting agency for social work education in the nation.

Southeastern received a \$598,000 U.S. Department of Education grant for Project Impact, a program designed to train Jefferson Parish teachers, administrators and staff who work with children who speak limited English. Project Impact was one of only 18 National Professional Development programs at colleges and universities in 13 states selected for the grant, which is funded by Title III of No Child Left Behind.

The Tangipahoa Parish School System has partnered with Southeastern, Louisiana Public Broadcasting and others in a \$999,000 U.S. Department of Education grant designed to raise student achievement in 14 southeast Louisiana school districts by improving teachers’ knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of American history. The three-year program targets more than 700 teachers at 300 schools in surrounding school systems.

Two Southeastern employees were honored with the 2005 Charles E. Dunbar Jr. Career Services Awards presented annually by the Louisiana Civil Service League. Jessie R. Roberts, director of human resources, and Shelia Tregre, executive secretary in the College of Business and Technology, are two of 12 award recipients who distinguish themselves through unselfish service to the citizens of Louisiana.

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The Southeastern Department of Human Development's undergraduate degree program in Family and Consumer Sciences was nationally accredited by the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences for a 10-year period. In giving its academic stamp of approval, the association commended the program for having well-respected courses, faculty well-versed in their areas of specialty, and good collegial relationships across campus.

A reference guide on state government information sources conceived and edited by Southeastern librarian Lori L. Smith was named an Outstanding Academic Title of 2004 by an American Library Association publication. "Tapping State Government Information Sources" was one of 10 general reference works recognized by "Choice: Current Reviews for Academic Libraries" as representing the most significant print and electronic works reviewed.

Southeastern's Division of Continuing Education and Special Activities has received a grant totaling \$1,401,813 from the Louisiana Department of Labor through the Louisiana Incumbent Worker Program. The grant will be used to help Neill Corporation of Hammond train employees in Microsoft Windows, Word, Excel, Project and Internet/e-mail. Courses on accounting for executives, introduction to accounting, technical writing, business writing, safety for the supervisor and hourly employees, construction and maintenance safety, office safety, salon safety and AutoCad will be offered.

Seven Southeastern faculty members received grants totaling \$359,257 from the Louisiana Board of Regents. The Board of Regents Support Fund awards include a research grant focusing on ways of controlling the West Nile virus and the university's first Awards to Louisiana Artists and Scholars (ATLAS) grant.

Southeastern's on-line student athlete progress reporting system has been recognized as an outstanding innovation in the area of collegiate academic advising by the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA). The university was awarded the organization's Outstanding Advising Technology Innovation Certificate of Merit for its Internet-based progress report for student athletes at the annual NACADA national conference.

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