Congratulations
2020 HERFF OUTSTANDING FACULTY & STAFF AWARD WINNERS

Learn more about the 2020 winners from comments provided by their colleagues:

Faculty Teaching Award – Dr. Gladius Lewis, Professor, Mechanical Engineering
During his tenure at UofM, Dr. Lewis has taught 18 different courses and is consistently rated as one of the most effective instructors in the department. His course evaluations from students consistently include accolades such as “great professor,” “clear and concise,” “very effective, knowledgeable and inspiring.” Not only is Dr. Lewis one of the best instructors in the college but also the university.

Faculty Service Award – Dr. Roger Meier, Associate Professor & Graduate Coordinator, Civil Engineering
Dr. Meier has served as the Department of Civil Engineering as Graduate Coordinator for the last 13 years and as the Herff College of Engineering’s Director of Graduate Studies for the last few years. Because of his leadership and service to the department, we have been able to recruit outstanding graduate students, grow our graduate program, and streamline our Ph.D. program. Dr. Meier serves the college and the department with the highest standards and with the highest integrity. He does all of this while projecting a warm, cheerful attitude to students, other faculty, and folks across campus.
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Faculty Research Award, Dr. Bashir Morshed,
Associate Professor, Electrical & Computer Engineering
Dr. Morshed is committed to student success and the pursuit
of highly regarded scholarship. He has assembled a list of
impressive scholarly and research contributions even in the
past year alone. Consider over the past year: Three referred
journal articles, seven referred conference presentations, two
patents and three new research awards (2 from NSF).

Staff Award: Ms. Melanie Young,
Administrative Associate
Melanie has quickly established herself as an essential
component of both the development and academic teams in
the college. She is always willing to help and provides efficient
and excellent work. Due to the nature of her office location,
she really is the face of the college since she is the first person
to greet students and guests!

Staff Award: Meredith Powers,
Assistant Director of Communication
Meredith has developed creative ways to reach other
institutions and our alumni in an effort to market Herff to
multiple audiences. She also worked diligently on the STEM
Research and Classroom Building proposal, rewriting and
adjusting all the way up to the deadline! Meredith does all of
this with positive and upbeat attitude.