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**GOVERNOR KAINE HONORS
2008 OUTSTANDING FACULTY AWARD RECIPIENTS**

RICHMOND — Governor Timothy M. Kaine and the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) today honored the 2008 Outstanding Faculty Award recipients for excellence in teaching, research, knowledge integration, and public service. The 12 faculty members from colleges and universities across the Commonwealth were recognized during an awards ceremony at the Jefferson Hotel.

“These faculty members were selected by their peers as elite educators who have helped make the Commonwealth’s higher education system one of the finest in the nation,” said Governor Kaine. “Their commitment to excellence both in and out of the classroom can be seen not only in their diverse research endeavors, but also in their public volunteerism and advocacy of service learning opportunities. They truly represent the best Virginia has to offer its students and citizens.”

“This year’s Outstanding Faculty Award honorees are a diverse group, representing public and private institutions with distinct educational missions,” said Daniel J. LaVista, SCHEV’s executive director. “These dedicated faculty members have done everything from directing oral history projects to developing sensors that help protect the Chesapeake Bay to establishing healthcare programs in China, Poland, and South Africa.”

Since the first awards ceremony in 1987, a total of 256 Virginia faculty members, including the 2008 recipients, have received this high honor. Photos and additional biographical information about each of this year’s recipients can be found on the SCHEV website.

The 2008 Virginia Outstanding Faculty Award recipients are:

Dr. Bridget Anderson is an Assistant Professor of English and Applied Linguistics at Old Dominion University, who specializes in acoustic phonetics and language variation.

Dr. Faye Belgrave is a Professor of Psychology at Virginia Commonwealth University, who is nationally known for her work in the areas of culture and gender issues, HIV, and substance abuse programming.

Dr. Edward Berger is an Associate Professor of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering at the University of Virginia and an expert in the nonlinear behaviors of mechanical joints.

Dr. Cliff Boyd is a Professor of Anthropology and the Co-Founder and Co-Director of the Forensic Science Institute at Radford University.

Dr. Carl Friedrichs is a Professor of Marine Science at the College of William and Mary and Director of the Coastal Hydrodynamics and Sediment Dynamics Laboratory at the Virginia Institute of Marine Science.

Dr. John Kattwinkel is the Charles Fuller Professor of Neonatology at the University of Virginia and a leader in the national “Back to Sleep” campaign for infants.

Dr. Suzanne Keen is the Thomas H. Broadus Professor of English at Washington and Lee University, where she teaches novel, narrative, and postcolonial literature.

Dr. Brent Kendrick is professor of English at Lord Fairfax Community College and an active researcher on the works of New England writer Mary Wilkins Freeman.

Dr. Shaomin Li is a Professor of Management at Old Dominion University, whose framework of governance environment has been well received by the international business community.

Dr. Walerian Majewski is a Professor of Physics at Northern Virginia Community College, who has devoted years of research to theoretical elementary particle physics.

Dr. KimMarie McGoldrick is a Professor of Economics in the Robins School of Business at the University of Richmond, where her students conduct economic analysis through research and community service.

Dr. Duncan Richter is a Professor of Philosophy at the Virginia Military Institute whose research focuses on ethics and the work of Austrian philosopher Ludwig Wittgenstein.

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