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DAVID E. DOUGLAS



The 2010 SWDSI Outstanding Educator Award recipient is Dr. David E. Douglas from the University of Arkansas.

David holds the academic rank of University Professor in the Information Systems Department of the Sam M. Walton College of Business at the University of Arkansas. He was department chair from 1985 to 1998 and provided leadership initiatives that led to the strong information systems program that exists today. His partnerships with industry produce strong guidance and support for curricula as well as significant hardware and software computing resources. Early in his time as department chair, he led the effort to start a doctoral program in the department which became operational in 1988.

Currently, David is Director of Enterprise Systems. He has been instrumental in acquisition of enterprise systems hardware/software and large datasets to ensure world-class educational opportunities for students. The Enterprise Systems consists of four computing platforms — IBM System z, Microsoft, SAP and Teradata. Additionally, many firms help support these platforms and hire the students who have had these courses. The cash and gifts-in-kind from the platform partners and other industry partners to support Enterprise Systems exceed \$60 million since the year 2000. These platforms are available for academic use at universities world-wide. Over the past two years, more than 471 faculty accounts and 1941 student accounts have been created at 329 US universities and 73 international universities.

He has received a number of honors and awards for teaching. These include: University Professor — appointed in recognition of exceptional teaching contributions and professional commitment (2006), International Computer Educator of the Year — awarded by International Association for Computer Information Systems (2001), IBM International Professor of the Month (September, 2008), and a number of "Make a Difference in Student's College Career" which students voluntarily send to the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs. David has also received a number of recent teaching grants which include two IBM faculty awards, two NSF awards, and a SAP development award.

David is an active member in the Decision Sciences Institute, the Federation of Business Disciplines (FBD), the Association of Information Systems, and the International Association of Computing Information Systems. He serves on the Editorial Board of several academic publications including the *Journal of Computer Information Systems* and the *International Journal of Global Communications*. Publications have appeared in various journals including *Communications of the ACM, Journal of Computer Information Systems, Information and Management, and Journal of Management Information Systems,* as well as international, national and regional *Proceedings* of various Conferences.