2003 Research Career Development Award

This is a new award established to provide special support for research by faculty who have assumed an unusually heavy teaching, advising, extension and/or service load during the past two to three years. In 2003 two Research Career Development Awards were presented.

Mary Ann Eastlick, Chair, Division of Retailing and Consumer Sciences, School of Family and Consumer Sciences

Since joining the Retailing and Consumer Sciences Division (RCSC) in 1992, Mary Ann Eastlick has been a pioneer in developing many new academic offerings, ranging from undergraduate and graduate programs to a research program. Over the past 10 years this program has experienced a phenomenal growth. During Eastlick’s tenure the RCSC undergraduate enrollment has nearly quadrupled. Without her initial and ongoing involvement and dedication this success would not have been possible. Eastlick has advised hundreds of undergraduate students and has served as graduate coordinator. Most recently, Eastlick was appointed chair of the division.

Mark Arns, Associate Specialist, Department of Animal Sciences

Mark Arns joined the Department of Animal Sciences in 2000 and has spent the last three years developing and teaching four new three-credit course in Equine Sciences while at the same time developing three additional new courses. Largely through his efforts, enrollment in this program has doubled since his arrival. He also advises undergraduate and graduate students and serves as the faculty advisor for the Horseman’s Association. Arns has made major contributions in extension outreach with four new programs: 1) UA Horse Conference, 2) UA Reproductive Management Schools, 3) UA Equine Nutritional Management Workshops and 4) UA Youth Horse Judging Workshop. He is in the process of completing several CD-ROM programs for distribution to county offices.