

**NSF CAREER GRANTS**

Texas Tech professors receive distinguished National Science Foundation grants.

**GULF OIL SPILL**

Texas Tech University researchers investigated the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

**TOP GRADUATES**

Wall Street Journal ranks Texas Tech graduates among the best.

**TOP STEM PROGRAMS**

Forbes ranks Texas Tech among the best STEM colleges for women and minorities.


## Excellence

The excellence of our faculty, staff and students is evident in the numerous awards and honors received during 2010 and in the very long list of lists the university made in 2010. During the Gulf oil spill the media and the government turned to Texas Tech researchers for their expertise. The Wall Street Journal says we have some of the best-prepared graduates in the country. And we have been ranked among the top 10 Best Colleges for Women and Minorities in STEM.

From the Wall Street Journal to Forbes to U.S. News & World Report, Texas Tech found itself on a variety of publication lists this year.

- NSF has approved six **STEM proposals** from Texas Tech faculty for about \$12.87 million in total funding.
- Forbes Magazine named Texas Tech as one of its America's **Best College Buys**.
- The Wall Street Journal gave the Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering a top 25 ranking among **best engineering schools** according to a survey by payscale.com.
- U.S. News & World Report's 2011 edition of **America's Best Colleges** gave TTU a top tier ranking listing us 159 out of 191 schools.
- U.S. News & World Report listed Texas Tech as an **A+ Schools** for B Students.
- U.S. News & World Report listed the Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering as one of the **top 80** undergraduate engineering programs.
- National Jurist and preLaw Magazines ranked the School of Law 17th in the nation in a **Best Value ranking** of nearly 200 law schools.
- Princeton Review's Best 172 Law School included the Texas Tech School of Law.
- Princeton Review's **Best 300 Business School's** includes the Rawls College



 **Susan Saab Fortney**, Horn professor and interim dean of the School of Law, received the Lola Wright Ethics Award from the Texas Bar Foundation for her outstanding public service in advancing and enhancing legal ethics in Texas.



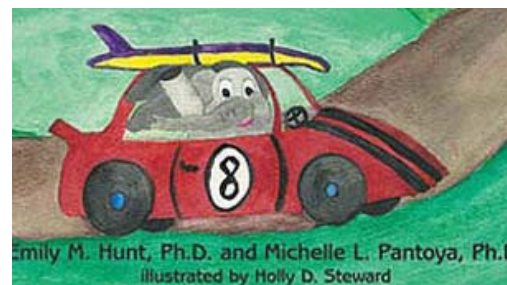
Two Texas Tech professors were listed in Investment Advisor magazine's **Thirty for Thirty** most influential financial planners. Harold Evensky, president and CEO of Evensky & Katz Wealth Management, and Deena Katz, chairman of Evensky & Katz, were listed as two of the top 30 individuals dedicated to their profession for the past 30 years. Both teach in the Division of Personal Financial Planning.


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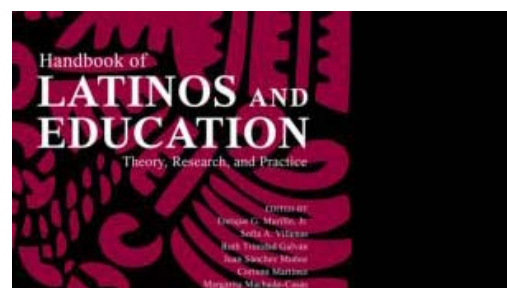
- Princeton Review ranked Texas Tech as one of the **best colleges in the West** in its 2011 Best Colleges: Region by Region feature.
- G.I. Jobs Magazine named Texas Tech to its 2011 list of **Military Friendly Schools**. This is the second consecutive year Texas Tech has made the list.

## Faculty Awards

- Richard Bartsh**, Horn Professor of Chemistry, has been inducted into the 2010 class of Fellows for the American Chemical Society, the world's largest scientific society.
- Wendy Humphrey**, assistant professor of legal practice, earned the State Bar of Texas President's Award of Merit for her service to the Texas Young lawyers Association. Only 15 of about 23,000 young lawyers in Texas received the award.
- For the fifth time in eight years, a School of Law professor has won the state's top legal writing award. **Bryan Camp's** article on protecting trust assets from the federal tax lien, was selected as the Texas Bar Foundation's Outstanding Law Review Article for 2009. The award is presented annually to designate the most important and best-written legal article published in Texas. Camp is the George H. Mahon Professor of Law.
- Comfort Pratt**, assistant professor in the College of Education, was awarded the Jose Martel Award from the national Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society. The award is granted once every three years to the country's most outstanding chapter adviser for a five-year period.
- Mark McGinley**, associate professor in the Department of Biological Sciences, was named a Fulbright Scholar. He worked in Malaysia teaching and comparing the temperate-arid regions with that of tropical regions.
- Nora Griffin-Shirley**, director of the Virginia Murray Sowell Center in Research and Education in Visual Impairment, received a Fulbright Scholar grant to train professionals in India to teach persons with blindness and visual impairments.
- Judith Fischer**, professor of human development and family studies, has been named a NCFR fellow by the National Council on Family Relations for her history of outstanding contributions to the field of family studies.
- Seshadri Ramkumar**, manager of the Nonwovens and Advanced Materials Laboratory at The Institute of Environmental and Human Health, received an honorary fellowship from the Textile Association (India), the world's largest textile and fiber association. Since 1946, 57 people have been honored with the fellowship. Ramkumar specializes in technical textiles, and is best known for creating Fibertect, a decontamination technology developed in 2005.
- George Cobb**, professor of environmental toxicology at TIEHH, became the president of the Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry, North America (SNA). He also will serve on the SETAC World Council with colleagues from all populated continents.
- Only a month and a half after its release, the book *Wildlife Toxicology: Emerging Toxicology: Emerging Contaminant and Biodiversity Issues* was declared a national and international bestseller, according to the book's publishers. The book, by **Ron Kendall** and other researchers at TIEHH, is the first reference to address



 A children's non-fiction book coauthored by Michelle Pantoya, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, was recognized as a Best Books 2010 Award finalist by USABookNews.com, the premiere online magazine and review website for mainstream and independent publishing houses. **Engineering Elephants** seeks to educate very young children about who engineers are and what they do.



A book highlighting the year's most influential work in the field of **Latinos in education**, in which two Texas Tech faculty members had a hand, received the 2010 Critics Choice Book Award from the American Educational Studies Association. Juan Muñoz, associate professor in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, vice president for Institutional Diversity, Equity, & Community Engagement and vice provost for Undergraduate Education, was a section editor and Zenaida Aguirre-Muñoz, an associate professor in the bilingual education and diversity studies program, contributed to The handbook of Latinos in Education.

environmental threats to wildlife in a single volume and recommend proven mitigation techniques to protect and sustain Earth's wildlife populations.

## Program Highlights

- The National Minority Faculty Identification Program (NMFIP) is now housed at Texas Tech. The renamed National Registry of Diverse & Strategic Faculty, is a resource for thousands of faculty searches by colleges and universities seeking qualified and diverse candidates for tenure track faculty positions.
- The Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering received about \$1.75 million in nine grants from the National Science Foundation for work including research related to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill and research into lengthening the life of wind turbines and reducing the cost of wind energy.
- Texas Tech University's Vietnam Center and Archive and The Johns Hopkins Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) partnered to host a conference focused on applying counterinsurgency lessons learned in Vietnam to the U.S.' two current wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.
- The Center for the Study of Addiction and Recovery (CSAR) hosted the nation's first conference to promote the establishments of recovery communities on college campuses. White House and U.S. Department of Education representatives participated. CSAR is also the primary source of data for the book, *Substance Abuse Recovery in College*, the first book to detail collegiate recovery communities and the services they provide. The book is edited by CSAR director Kitty Harris. CSAR provides peer-based support and academic services for more than 100 students in recovery from drug and alcohol addictions. Students enrolled in the program maintain an average 3.34 GPA, 80 percent graduation rate, and only seven percent have suffered relapses.



**Grounds Award** Texas Tech, with its Spanish Renaissance architecture, manicured grounds and large green spaces, is known around the country for its beautiful campus. Texas Tech was recognized in 2010 by the Professional Grounds Management Society for its annual Arbor Day event.

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