

Tops in Teaching and Service

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Global honors, appointments and prestigious awards for service and teaching lead this roundup of news about Tulane faculty and staff members from the uptown and downtown health sciences campuses.



Undergraduate admission staff member Jeff Schiffman serves as a mentor this summer on the Sig Ep Quest to Greece. (Photo supplied by Jeff Schiffman)

James Gordley, W. R. Irby Professor of Law, has been elected a corresponding fellow of the British Academy, England's national body for the humanities and social sciences. A leading scholar of comparative law and legal history, [Gordley](#) came to Tulane in 2007.

John Howard, adjunct assistant professor of philosophy and associate director of the [Murphy Institute](#), received the award for the 2009-2010 honors program professor of the year. One student who nominated [Howard](#) wrote, "In my opinion, I

have come across no other professor at Tulane who shows his level of passion for teaching or dedication to the teaching profession.”

Jeff Schiffman, associate director of admission in the Office of Undergraduate Admission, traveled as a mentor on the Sig Ep Quest to Greece this summer. He included an entry about his experience on his admission [blog](#).

The Council on Community Pediatrics selected **Dr. Alina Olteanu** as the recipient of the 2010 American Academy of Pediatrics Local Heroes Award. [Olteanu](#) is medical director of the New Orleans Children's Health Project and head of the section of community pediatrics and global health in the Tulane School of Medicine. She will be honored in October at the American Academy of Pediatrics national conference in San Francisco.

Dr. Oliver Sartor is the new medical director of the [Tulane Cancer Center](#). A graduate of the Tulane School of Medicine, he joined the faculty in 2008 as the Piltz Professor of Cancer Research with a joint appointment in the Departments of Medicine and Urology. Sartor's research and clinical interests have focused broadly on prostate cancer over the past 20 years.

Dr. Roy Weiner is the new president of the Foundation for Science and Mathematics Education, which raises money for New Orleans Charter Science and Math High School. [Weiner](#) is professor of medicine and an associate dean of the School of Medicine.

Craig Willie, program manager in the [Tulane Center for Public Service](#), was honored by HandsOn New Orleans for his outstanding volunteer service in the community.

Stephen Nelson participated in a panel of experts on July 22 discussing “Geological Facts of Life for Flood Protection in Coastal Louisiana” before a meeting of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authorities. [Nelson](#) is associate professor and chair of earth and environmental sciences.