

## Par excellence

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Tulane University President Mike Fitts, right, looks on as Barbara Dirks, left, hugs Karen D'Arcy, director of strategic initiatives in the Workforce Management Organization, after D'Arcy receives a [2014 President's Staff Excellence Award](#). The annual awards recognize up to 10 staff members who “best represent high achievement in their contributions to the university.”



Scott Tims, director of Student Health Services and TheWell, accepts his honorarium.



Desiree Anderson, associate director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs, looks on as President Fitts reads the quotes that were submitted with her award nomination.





Jay Malbrough, assistant director of University Mail Services, looks in disbelief as Christina Wallace, left, and Catherine DeMarr from WFMO notify him of the award and hand him a check for \$1,000.



Nicole Westerfield, center, a program manager in the School of Liberal Arts, is congratulated by President Fitts and Carole Haber, dean of the School of Liberal Arts.





Tue Pham, a systems engineer in Information Technology Infrastructure, gets congratulations from coworkers after being notified of his award.



Grounds supervisor Mike Case cracks a rare smile as his work in facilities services is recognized.



Lisa Lamonte, legal administrative assistant in the law school clinics, smiles after receiving the award check from Christina Wallace, director of customer relations in WFMO.





Todd Stamps, assistant maintenance supervisor for the School of Law Facility Services, receives a literal and figurative pat on the back for his work.



Melody Baddoo, a senior research scientist in the Pathology Department at the School of Medicine, receives a round of applause from President Fitts and her coworkers.