



EXCELLENCE



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Elinor Ostrom winner of Nobel Prize for Economics

Lin Ostrom becomes the first woman to win the Nobel Prize for Economics

Elinor Ostrom (BL), Arthur F. Bentley Professor of Political Science in the College of Arts and Sciences, is the first woman recipient of the Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences. The award was announced by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences

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in October, 2009. The award recognizes Ostrom's analysis of economic governance, especially the commons.

The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences stated that Ostrom, though not an economist, was being recognized for her analysis of economic governance. "Elinor Ostrom has challenged the conventional wisdom that common property is poorly managed and should be either regulated by central authorities or privatized," the academy said. "Based on numerous studies of user-managed fish stocks, pastures, woods, lakes and groundwater basins, Ostrom concludes that the outcomes are, more often than not, better than predicted by standard theories."

In 1973, Ostrom and her husband, **Vincent A. Ostrom (BL), Arthur F. Bentley Professor Emeritus of Political Science**, co-founded the Workshop in Political Theory and Policy Analysis,

bringing together faculty members from various disciplines with experts in a variety of fields.

Ostrom is the eighth person with ties to IU to become a Nobel Laureate in the 108 years the honor has been bestowed. Four of them worked together at IU on life sciences-related subjects in the late 1940s: Hermann Muller, James Watson, Salvador Luria, and Renato Dulbecco.

In addition, J. Hans D. Jensen was a visiting professor at IU 10 years before he won the Nobel Prize in Physics; Riccardo Giacconi spent two years as a Fulbright Fellow at IU in the late 1950s before being awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics in 2002; and Ferid Murad attended classes during the summer at IU between 1954 and 1957, more than 40 years before he was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine.

Among her many honors, Lin has also been elected a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the American Academy of Political and Social Science as well as being elected a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the American Philosophical Society.

Professor Ostrom will share the award with Oliver Williamson, Edgar F. Kaiser Professor Emeritus of Business, Economics and Law at the University of California, Berkeley. They will split the \$1.4 million that goes with the award.

For more information, please go to: <http://www.iu.edu/nobel/>

Shiffrin receives Excellence Award

Richard M. Shiffrin (BL), Distinguished Professor and Luther Dana Waterman Professor of Psychological and Brain Sciences, received the Henry R. Besch, Jr. Promotion of Excellence Award at the annual Fall Dinner in Bloomington on September 21, 2009.

In an email following the dinner, Rich said, "I was quite touched by this award, mainly because I like to believe that I have had the betterment of IU high on my priority list for much of my career here. IU has been a terrific place for me to carry out my work, and I have benefitted enormously from the environment and from the resources that IU and my colleagues have provided for and to me. Yet I have tried to give back to IU some of those benefits, and seeing that this has been recognized by my most esteemed colleagues is most gratifying, and humbling. Thank you all."

Congratulations Rich!!

Cate named President of Phi Beta Kappa

Fred H. Cate (BL), Distinguished Professor, C. Ben Dutton Professor of Law and former Alliance Co-Chair, has been elected President of Phi Beta Kappa Society, the nation's oldest academic honor society.

Professor Cate is also Director of the Center for Applied Cybersecurity Research. He is an information privacy and security law expert and is

considered one of the world's leading authorities on issues involving cybersecurity.

Cate currently serves as president of the IU chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. He was inducted into Stanford University's chapter in 1984 and has served as a member of the society's governing board - the senate - since 2001.

Related links:

- [The Phi Beta Kappa Society](#)
- [Indiana University Maurer School of Law](#)

Ryan receives IU's prestigious University Medal

John Ryan, IU President Emeritus and Alliance Honorary Member, was presented with the University Medal, IU's highest nonacademic award. The award was presented in September by President Michael McRobbie at the annual Dinner to Celebrate Academic Excellence.

The University Medal honors individuals for singular or noteworthy contributions, including service to the university and achievement in

arts, letters, science and law. It is the only medal that requires approval by the IU Board of Trustees.

Of special significance was the fact that it was John Ryan who, as president of IU, created the University Medal in 1982, awarding it to Thomas T. Solley, director of the IU Art Museum. Ryan is only the 10th person to receive the award.

For more information, please go to:

http://www.indiana.edu/~spea/news/ryan_john_IU_medal.shtml

KSOB is recipient of global award

IU's Kelley School of Business is the recipient of the 2009 Award for Exceptional Contributions in Entrepreneurship Research. The award was presented by the Global Consortium of Entrepreneurship Centers (GCBC). **Donald F. Kuratko** (BL), Jack M. Gill Chair of Entrepreneurship and executive director of the Johnson Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation accepted the award in October.

The award recognizes a business

school where the faculty is dedicated to advancing and supporting the creation and creators of new entrepreneurship knowledge. The award criteria is based upon the individual faculty members' research agenda, published research, journal management, research grants, value of the publications and their profiles. The judges are a peer group of entrepreneurship professors from around the globe.

Some of the outstanding research faculty include: **Dean A. Shepherd, Jeffrey G. Covin, Patricia P. McDougall, Donald F. Kuratko**, Jeffery S. McMullen, **David B. Audretsch, Gregory F. Udell**, Marc J. Dollinger, Siri Terjesen, **Catherine M. Dalton, Dan R. Dalton**, Todd Saxton and Thomas P. Hustad

For more information, please go to:

<http://newsinfo.iu.edu/news/page/print/12364.html>

Plans for 2010 Fall Dinner announced

The Alliance 2010 Fall meeting and dinner will be held on **Monday, September 27, 2010**, in Indianapolis at the University Place Conference Center. President Michael McRobbie and Chancellor Charles Bantz will be hosting the event.

Be sure to mark your calendars now and plan to attend.

We hope to provide bus transportation from Bloomington to Indianapolis and return. You will be receiving more information about this in the summer.

Special Honors and Awards

Lawrence Einhorn (IN), Distinguished Professor and the Lance Armstrong Foundation Professor in Oncology was presented with a Thomas Hart Benton Mural Medallion in recognition of his prominent achievement and dedicated service.. President McRobbie made the presentation to Einhorn who is credited with curing testicular cancer.

For more information, please go to:

<http://www.medicine.indiana.edu>

Elinor Ostrom (BL), Arthur F. Bentley Professor of Political Science, is the recipient of the 2009 Reimar Lüst Award for International Scholarly and Cultural Exchange, which recognizes humanities and social-science scholars for contributions to cultural and academic relations with Germany.

For more information, please go to:

<http://newsinfo.iu.edu/news/page/print/11120.html>

Menahem Pressler (BL), Distinguished Professor and Dean Charles H. Webb Chair in Music, received a 2009 Lifetime Achievement Award from The Edison Foundation on behalf of the Beaux Art Trio.

Janos Starker (BL), Distinguished Professor, received the title of honorary professor of the Franz Liszt Academy of Music, Budapest. The plaque was presented in recognition of his contribution to universal music culture, international music life and lifetime artistic achievements.

Michael J. Wade (BL), Distinguished Professor, Department of Biology, is the recipient of the American

Society of Naturalists' 2009 Sewall Wright Award. The award recognizes a "senior but still active investigator who is making fundamental contributions...promoting the conceptual unification in the biological sciences." IU Bloomington biologist, **Rudy Raff**, Distinguished Professor and James H. Rudy Professor of Biology, received the award in 2004.

For more information, please go to:

<http://newsinfo.iu.edu/news/page/normal/11129.html>

David H. Weaver (BL), Roy W. Howard Research Professor in the School of Journalism at IU-Bloomington, received the Paul J. Deutschmann Award for Excellence in Research. The lifetime career award has been presented only 20 times since first given in 1969. Weaver is the only professor from IU to receive the award.

Albert Valdman (BL), Rudy Professor Emeritus of French and Italian and of Linguistics, was presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award for Excellence. The award was presented at The Haitian Studies Association's 21st annual conference in Bloomington in November.

Web Redesign

The creation of the Alliance's new web design is reaching the final stages. If you have ideas or suggestions, we encourage you to please forward them to the Alliance office (alliance@indiana.edu).

New Members

We welcome the following new members to the Alliance since the June 2009 issue of Excellence.

Herman Aguinis (BL), Dean's Research Professor, Kelley School of Business

D. Wade Clapp (IN), Richard L. Schreiner Professor of Pediatrics

Theresa A. Guise (IN), Jerry W. and Peggy S. Throgmartin Professor of Oncology

Fletcher White (IN), Vergil K. Stoelting Professor of Anesthesia

Jingwu Xie (IN), Jonathan and Jennifer Simmons Professor of Pediatrics

Members who have received new or additional titles:

David S. Wilkes (IN), August M. Watanabe Professor of Medical Research

In Memoriam

The Alliance wishes to extend their deepest sympathy to the families and friends of the following members who have recently passed away.

Harris B. Shumacker, Jr. (IN), Distinguished Professor Emeritus, IU School of Medicine

Hans B. Thorelli (BL), Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Kelley School of Business

We would also like to extend our sympathy to the family and friends of IU's President Emeritus, Myles Brand, who passed away September 16, 2009.

Profiles in Excellence

The Alliance would like to thank Daniel Cole and Michael Wade for agreeing to be profiled.

Member Profile I

Daniel H. Cole (IN), Bruce Townsend Professor of Law at the Indiana University School of Law at Indianapolis, where he teaches and writes about Property, Natural Resources Law, Environmental Protection, and Law & Economics. He also writes extensively about Poland and Polish law.

Q. What are your research interests? Your mission?

A. I am trained as a legal scholar, but while writing my doctoral dissertation about the history of environmental protection in Poland – subsequently published as my first book, *Instituting Environmental Protection: From Red to Green in Poland* (Macmillan and St. Martin's 1998) – I learned to approach law as qualitative social

scientist. It simply would not have made sense to study environmental (or any other area of) law within a socialist economic system as independent from the politically-oriented command system of production. Since then, most of my scholarship has been at the intersection of the law, economics, and politics of property, natural resources, and environmental protection. And virtually all of it has been interdisciplinary. In my view, doctrinal legal studies divorced from political, economic, historical, and ecological context tend to be sterile and not particularly useful either for legal theory or practice.

My current research interests revolve mostly around the monstrously complex issue of climate policy. I am currently writing a book on the use and abuse of emissions trading in climate policy to be published by Cambridge University Press in 2010 or 2011. That book compares the emissions trading system established in the Kyoto Protocol (unfavorably) with the more limited and administratively more sensible system that Europe instituted in 2005. Based on that comparison, I recommend that the US, in its domestic policy, and the international community, in a successor to the Kyoto Protocol, should follow the EU's lead. However, I am not optimistic that they

will do so for a variety of reasons, ranging from path dependency to the immense collective action problems that impede reform of international climate policy.

Q. Talk about your department and where it fits into your research.

A. As a member of the faculty of the Indiana University School of Law – Indianapolis, I receive a great deal of support, financial and moral, from the administration and my colleagues. A school of law is, of course, a professional school, and in some respects my teaching has to be more doctrinal and less interdisciplinary than my scholarship, but I do teach an interdisciplinary course in Law & Economics. In fact, I have co-authored (with Peter Z. Grossman of Butler University) a textbook on *Principles of Law & Economics*, the second edition of which will be published by Aspen/Kluwer in 2011. I also manage to bring my own scholarship into other courses I teach in Property, Environmental Law, Natural Resources Law, and Land Use. I am currently working with co-authors on the second edition of a *Natural Resources Law* casebook for Thompson/West.

I am also on the Affiliated Faculty of the Workshop in Political Theory and Policy

Analysis in Bloomington, where I spend as much time as I can interacting with colleagues from the various social sciences, all of whom share a common interest in common-pool resource problems and solutions, which include various kinds (and levels) of property and regulatory regimes. I should be rotating onto the Advisory Board of the Workshop sometime in the next year or so. My association with the Workshop not only brings me great pleasure, but stimulates and reinforces my interdisciplinary work. In my experience, it truly is a unique institution, not just at IU, but in the world. The co-founder of the Workshop, Elinor Ostrom (Nobel Prize, 2009), and I are co-organizing a conference for September 2010 on the evolution of property systems for natural resources. The conference will be held at, and is being sponsored by, the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy in Cambridge, Mass. It will result in a book that Lin and I will co-edit.

Q. Speak to the meaning of excellence in your life and work and how you foster excellence in your associates and colleagues.

A. I have always strived for excellence in my life and work, but I'm not sure to what extent I've actually attained it in

either. I certainly benefit from having an excellent family, including an extremely talented wife, the artist Izabela Kowalewska-Cole, and two wonderful children, who bring me great joy and satisfaction. As for my work, it is usually inspired by problems that happen to pop into my head, which I try to figure out first and foremost for myself. As I sometimes explain to colleagues, I write for myself, but I publish for others. Through the research and writing process, I attempt to come to grips with, if not solve, the puzzles I choose to study. And I simply do it to the best of my ability, which may not always be quite up to the task. For example, in my 2002 book *Pollution and Property: Comparing Ownership Institutions for Environmental Protection* (Cambridge), I offered a modest model – really the bare bones of the beginning of a model – for explaining property-regime choice for governing natural resources in various circumstances. I would have liked to have offered a fuller, more complete model, but at that time (and still to this day), a more complete explanatory model of property-regime choice eludes me. But that, in part, is what maintains my interest in understanding the complex relations between property institutions and natural systems. It is one reason why I am so excited about the Sept.

2010 conference that I mentioned earlier. I will surely learn a lot there from terrific scholars from various disciplines, and some of what I learn may improve my understanding and abilities as a scholar.

I do actively attempt to foster the excellence of my colleagues' work by providing as much encouragement and support as possible. I think my colleagues, including not only at the law school but at the Workshop, understand that I am always willing to talk with them about problems in their own work and to read drafts (sometimes multiple drafts) of articles or entire books. At the law school, I probably read a dozen or more draft papers each year for colleagues. At the Workshop, I try as much as possible to participate in the regular mini-conferences, which are designed to give graduate students insights into the strange and wonderful world of academic conferencing. I attend as many of the regularly scheduled colloquia at both the law school and the Workshop that I can possibly can. In short, I try to be a good colleague and a responsible faculty member, which hardly out of the ordinary at IU.

Q. Mention any special honors.

A. To me, the most special and important honors are the

recognition and friendship I have received from several "scholars' scholars" whom I greatly admire. As for specific awards or honors for my work, my first book on the history of environmental protection in Poland was awarded the AAASS/Orbis Polish Book Prize for 1999. I was asked to present a Keynote lecture at the annual meeting of the European Law and Economics Association in 2000. I am on the Advisory Board of the Institute for Policy Integrity at the New York University School of Law. I have been asked to testify on occasion at hearings by the Indiana General Assembly. I am a member of the Editorial Board of the new *Journal for Benefit-Cost Analysis*. And I have received a few teaching awards at the law school over the years.

Q. What are your interests outside of research?

A. If I am not working, chances are I can be found somewhere on a bicycle. I am an avid cyclist. In 2009, I've logged over 5,000 miles on the roads of Central and Southern Indiana. I ride with a club called Team Nebo Ridge, and I serve the club in various official capacities. I've made many good friends in the Indianapolis cycling community, who do all kinds of good work in the community. Sometimes, when my work is

stuck on a particular problem, I will go for a ride in Eagle Creek Park (where there are few cars to worry about) and, as often as not, I will make substantial progress toward resolving the problem by the time I get back home.

Q. Finally, is there anything of human interest that you may want to share with the members?

A. I suppose the only particularly interesting aspect of my life, aside from my work, my cycling, and my family, all of which I've already mentioned, is the fact that I am a kidney donor. My mother suffered acute kidney failure several years ago. In 1984, I donated to her one of my kidneys. I did not, and still do not, consider this to have been a great deed or sacrifice. It has caused me no problems, aside from the development of secondary hypertension five or six years ago, which I'm told is common among kidney donors. The only reason I mention it really is to maintain awareness of the problem of kidney disease, and the importance of improving the available supply of organs. As someone who teaches Law & Economics, I have some specific ideas for how that might be done, but this probably is not the place for that discussion

Member Profile II

Michael J. Wade (BL), Distinguished Professor, Department of Biology. “Mike Wade is widely recognized as one of the most creative intellectual forces in evolutionary biology,” said **Ellen Ketterson** (BL), Distinguished Professor, Department of Biology.

Q. What are your research interests? Your mission?

A. My research interests span a very large range of topics in evolutionary genetics and ecology, including sexual selection, multi-level selection, host-pathogen co-evolution, maternal genetic effects, and speciation. The common conceptual thread running through all of this work is the goal of quantifying the relative strengths of the different evolutionary forces in their effects on the genetic composition of populations. In my lab, we use a combination of theoretical, experimental and field studies to address each topic.

For example, the development of complex structures in an embryo depends upon a carefully coordinated partnership between the maternal and the zygotic

genomes. In colloquial terms, an organism has to answer the question, “Should I turn on my own genes and do this myself, should I let mom do it for me, or should we do it together?” Differences in the way that evolution has answered this question affect the rate of speciation, the origin of evolutionary novelties, the tendency toward social behavior, and the incidence of genetic diseases. So, this partnership has very surprising evolutionary properties, which can illuminate other problems in evolutionary genetics.

My mission is to advance our understanding of the evolutionary process while training the next generation of science-educators.

Q. Talk about your department and where it fits into your research.

A. It is no exaggeration to say that my department and my colleagues provide the strongest and most supportive environment that I can imagine for me to thrive as a research scientist and educator. It is hard to work at the edge of your understanding day in and day out without generous, thoughtful and critical feedback. Each of my colleagues is working creatively on cutting-edge problems in the field and together we can attract and

train the best graduate students in the country. I also have equally strong colleagues in Psychological and Brain Sciences, in Cognitive Sciences, in Environmental Sciences and in the History and Philosophy of Science, who share interests and provide a richer understanding of concepts through the use of different methodologies and approaches. And, we have brilliant facilities at IU!

In addition, my colleagues strive to be good teachers and mentors; that is, they see themselves as science-educators, much like I see myself.

Q. Speak to the meaning of excellence in your life and work and how you foster excellence in your associates and colleagues.

A. I am not sure how to answer this question. The motivation and drive to work hard to succeed seems to come “built-in” in my colleagues and in our students. Part of the pressure comes from the very high level of performance that you see all around you and part of it comes from the intellectual legacy of IU; that is, the seminal work done by past generations of IU scientists. Another part of excellence is a willingness to take on very difficult and important problems that have not yet yielded to previous

studies by others. Many things that you attempt, do not work out. It is much easier to take risks in a collegial environment, especially when you have the support of your colleagues at critical junctures.

Q. Mention any special honors.

A. The honor that impacts me most was the award for best teacher from the Biology Seniors—since I primarily teach large freshman classes, it made me understand that through my classroom teaching I can have lasting impact on those at the very beginning of their careers in biological and medical sciences. It is something that is easy to forget when you also work with advanced graduate students.

Q. What are your interests outside of research?

A. My primary interest outside of research is my family and our home. I enjoy almost anything with our kids, Catherine, Megan and Travis, and dinners out with my spouse, Debra. On weekends, I particularly like to work in her vast perennial garden and watch it change with the seasons. It also is my job to cook on weekends and I find that very relaxing—although I have to remember to take it easy on the peppers.

Q. Finally, is there anything of human interest that you may

want to share with the members?

A. I love M&Ms and, when I left the University of Chicago to come to IU in 1998, my staff gave me 100 pounds of M&Ms in a wheel-barrow as a going away present. Nothing exceeds, like excess!

Letters to the Editor

The Steering Committee invites the general membership to contribute “letters to the editor.” The topics should be related to the mission of the Alliance. Given our sparse publication schedule, the letters should address concerns that will be of relevance after a delay of weeks or months. Such letters provide a means for members not on the Steering Committee to play a role in setting policy and priorities, and we encourage you to make such a contribution. Please send letters to the Alliance office, Poplars 823, IUB, Fax: 812-855-5767 or email to alliance@indiana.edu

Promotion of Excellence Nominations

Nominations are solicited for honorary membership in the Alliance and the Alliance's Henry R. Besch, Jr. Promotion of Excellence Award in 2009. The Alliance is committed to the promotion of excellence at Indiana University. In keeping with this mission, members elect from time to time individuals to honorary membership in the Alliance and for the Henry R. Besch, Jr. Promotion of Excellence Award.

To be eligible for these awards, an individual must have (1) pursued excellence in her or his own career; (2) facilitated the achievement of excellence in others; (3) created mechanisms at Indiana University that enabled others to pursue excellence; and or (4) moved an organizational unit at IU forward to achieve an outstanding reputation.

Members wishing to nominate an individual for the excellence award and honorary membership should contact the Alliance office for more information. Nomination deadline is April 1, 2010.

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**The Alliance Office
will have abbreviated
hours beginning
Wednesday,
December 23, 2009
until January
4, 2010.**

**Have a Safe and Happy
Holiday Season!**
