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### **SARA DEXTER RECEIVES EARLY CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

AUSTIN, Texas – UCEA's Jack A. Culbertson Award will be presented to Sara Dexter, Assistant Professor of Technology and Leadership in the Department of Leadership, Foundations and Policy at the Curry School of Education, University of Virginia.

The Jack A. Culbertson Award was established in 1982 in honor of UCEA's first full-time Executive Director, who retired in 1981 after serving 22 years in the position. The award is presented annually to an outstanding junior professor of educational administration in recognition of his/her contributions to the field.

Dr. Dexter has focused research on the integration and implementation of educational technology in K12 schools. She has been the principal investigator for over \$4M of federally funded grants, in addition to working on several other sponsored projects. These include the ETIPS cases and Ed-U-Tech, FIPSE and PT3 grants, the Exemplary Technology-Supported-Schooling Case Studies Project, and Teaching, Learning and Computing 1998.

Dr. Dexter has served as Chair and Program of the AERA SIG: Computer and Internet Applications in Education; she is a member of the editorial review board of the Journal of Educational Computing Research and Journal of Computing in Teacher Education.

Dr. Dexter is the author of numerous publications including books, book chapters, journal articles, and conference papers. Dr. Dexter received her EdD in Educational Leadership from University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota.

All of UCEA's annual awards will be presented at its 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention in Anaheim, CA on November 19, 2009 at its UCEA Awards Luncheon. The University Council for Educational Administration is a consortium of research universities with doctoral programs in educational leadership and policy. The dual mission of UCEA is to improve the preparation of educational leaders and promote the development of professional knowledge in school improvement and administration. UCEA headquarters is currently hosted by the University of Texas at Austin.

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