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LINDA C. TILLMAN RECEIVES JAY D. SCRIBNER MENTORING AWARD

AUSTIN, Texas – UCEA's Jay D. Scribner Mentoring Award will be presented to Dr. Linda C. Tillman, Professor at University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and Dr. Paul V. Bredeson, Professor at University of Wisconsin-Madison for their outstanding commitment to mentoring graduate students and junior faculty.

This award is named after Jay D. Scribner whose prolific career spans over four decades and who has mentored a host of doctoral students into the profession while advising and supporting countless junior professors throughout this same time. Of particular note, is Jay D. Scribner's unique ability to reach across racial, class, and gender differences in his mentorship-nurturing scholars from under-represented backgrounds into a profession largely homogeneous in composition.

Dr. Tillman has served as the *Associate Director of Graduate Student Development* and *Jackson Scholar* mentor for the University Council for Educational Administration (UCEA). She has also served the American Educational Research Association (AERA) as Vice President of Division A (Administration, Organization, and Leadership); enabling her to reach countless graduate students through her sponsorship and planning of various outreach activities. A former high school teacher, Dr. Tillman earned the PhD in Educational Administration from The Ohio State University in 1995. Dr. Tillman currently serves as professor in the Educational Leadership Program at University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

All of UCEA's annual awards will be presented at its 23rd 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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