When I started as interim dean, I took a look outside my office window toward McMicken Hall and felt a great deal of pride to be associated with such an iconic and historic part of UC. I soon realized, however, that this pride goes beyond our status as UC’s largest college – during the past year I’ve been proud to see a host of faculty and student accomplishments that help make our mark on campus, in the community and around the world.

Not a week goes by without several faculty members reaching out to tell me about great things they are doing in their classrooms, in their research and out in the community. I’m especially proud of the fact that we took home six of the top faculty awards from the university – more than any other UC college!

Our faculty research connects the university to the community – from exploring issues of access to food to studying the cutting edge of digital communication to finding out what fracking is doing to drinking water – our researchers are trying to solve today’s problems.

The experience we provide our students goes beyond the classroom. We had more students study abroad than any other UC college, found valuable co-curricular internships for undergraduates, and had nearly 700 students participate in service learning opportunities. We initiated 114 Phi Beta Kappa students and the majority of our graduates went on to their career or graduate school after graduation in May.

I’m proud to report our retention rate is up to above 80 percent, which in no small part is due to the dedicated team of A&S and Exploratory Studies advisors who provide nearly 22,000 hours of advising appointments.

Many of our students are first generation college enrollees, and we also are the academic home to a diverse group of learners. We have established the PR1ZE mentoring program to provide special support for historically underrepresented minority students.

In spite of ongoing budget struggles, we are making strategic investments across the college, including adding new faculty members and making investments in IT infrastructure. We also continue to support student and faculty goals through the UC Foundation, and I’m happy to report an increase in the number of gifts we received last year.

This report provides more details on the college’s successes during the past year. I commend the faculty, staff and students of McMicken College on a fantastic academic year – I’m proud to serve this outstanding group of individuals!

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Dean’s Office Staff
Undergraduates by race

Hispanic/Latino: 271
American Indian/Alaska native: 26
Asian: 228
Black: 784
Nonresident Alien: 245
Race/ethnicity unknown: 124
White: 5105
Multi-racial: 250
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: 5

Undergraduate programs offered: 23
Masters programs: 14
Doctoral programs: 14

PR1ZE graduates: 14
This program helps retain and graduate African-American students:
71% of McMicken students start jobs, full time or part time, or continue with graduate study immediately following graduation.

Phi Beta Kappa students: 114

Faculty instructional fte:
• Full time: 421
• Part-time: 111
507 faculty

Enrollment:
Undergraduate, Fall, 2013: 7,175
Graduate students, Fall, 2013: 853

84% increase in donations over FY13

6 Faculty award winners
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$8,810,883: total research award dollars. A&S researchers secured nearly $9 million in external funding for their projects. Read more on page 15.

83% - (Fall 2014) freshman retention rate

Speakers during the 2013-2014 McMicken Lecture Series.

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$200,000 Scholarship dollars awarded to A&S students college-wide. This does not include specific departmental scholarships.
Undergraduate Education

The McMicken College of Arts and Sciences welcomed a record number of first-year students in 2013, and continued to support the university’s largest cohort of undergraduate students. McMicken College of Arts and Sciences students had the support of more than 530 faculty and nearly 30 full-time advisors helping them on their collegiate journey.

- More than 530 faculty and 30 advisors help support McMicken’s students.

- The college’s 5-year graduation rate is 55.2% (up 2.5%).

- 1,387 Bachelor degrees conferred.

- 5983 – number of students assisted by academic advisors.

- 22,000 – advising appointments.

- 13-14 – 8804 enrollments.

Undergraduate accolades
- 2 Fulbright winners
- 114 Phi Beta Kappa members
- 282 Honors students
- 284 Cincinnatus Scholars

- 8028 - Student headcount (fall 2013)
- 532 – Total faculty student/faculty fte 20:1

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Graduate Education

The McMicken College of Arts and Sciences offered outstanding opportunity to the nearly 850 students who called A&S their academic home. With several ranked programs, hands-on research opportunities and ongoing support for students, McMicken was proud to see almost 900 students earn graduate degrees.

UC has offered assistance in overcoming some of the hurdles that present themselves during my graduate career. For example, access to travel funding, professionalization workshops, open and free colloquiums, graduate student conferences, competitive fellowships, access to software and more have all helped to add quality to my graduate experience.

- Aaryn Green, Sociology graduate student

Graduate program ranked 6th
PhD philosophy programs
1 in placement of students (NRC)

Classics

852 Graduate students enrolled
203: MA/MS degrees conferred
79: PhD degrees conferred

CREATIVE WRITING
Ranked 6th overall
Graduate program ranked 6th
Doctoral program

SIX
US News and World Report
Paleontology

8 top-ranked

McMicken
College of Arts & Sciences
Innovation & Community Engagement

Students from the McMicken College of Arts and Sciences truly make the world their classroom. From study abroad opportunities, service learning classes or field research that’s truly in the field at the UC Center for Field Studies, A&S students can pursue their passion – wherever that takes them!

315 A&S Students Studied Abroad

- India
- Mexico
- Italy
- England
- Ireland
- Mozambique
- France
- Spain
- Germany
- Canada
- Guatemala

This past summer I spent a month in Guatemala with a program out of the Romance Languages Department. I had the most amazing experience while I was there and I was able to make a great connection with people there and leave my mark through the community service that I participated in.


“• 664 McMicken students completed service-learning activities“

We were able to use the resources of the field station to teach various concepts in biology, conservation, sustainability and ecology in an integrated way. The teachers will be able to bring those concepts – along with new ways to demonstrate them – back to their classrooms.

Kim Thompson, Adjunct Professor, UC Center for Field Studies
McMicken College of Arts and Sciences is fortunate to have a diverse, dedicated and award-winning group of faculty. Here are some of our accomplishments:

Promotions and Tenure
- To Associate with Tenure – 12
- To Professor – 5
- To Associate Professor-Educator – 3
- To Professor Educator – 1
- New Emeriti – 8

New Department Heads –
- Carlos Gutierrez – romance languages and literatures
- Christopher Philips – history

Faculty Honors
- Carlton Brett (geology) – Distinguished Research Professor
- Lisa Newman (communication) – Faculty Award for Exemplary Contributions in Service to the University
- Edna Kaneshiro (biological sciences) – George Barbour Award for Faculty-Student Relations
- Kathleen Lynch (classics) – A.B. “Dolly” Cohen Award for Excellence in Teaching
- Bruce Ault (chemistry) – Rieveschl Award for Distinguished Scientific Research
- Richard Harknett (political science) – Faculty Award for Exemplary Contributions in Service to the University

Faculty bookshelf
- Leah Stewart (English) recently won the Sachs Prize for her book.
- Ronald Jackson (communication) won an award at Comic Con for his book - Black Comics: The Politics of Race and Representation.

“I’m honored to have had the opportunity to work with such a strong and dedicated group of faculty.”

Kristi Nelson, Interim Dean
Research Excellence

Exciting research at the local, national and international level continued at A&S this year. Our students gained invaluable career and life experience working side by side with world-class researchers, in research as diverse as the Programme for Belize Archaeological Project, paleoceanography, international relations theory and global feminist studies.

McMicken graduate students excel each and every year, charting important, award-winning publications and presentations across the board and around the world. Here are some highlights:

McMicken graduate students excel each and every year, through important and award-winning publications as well as through conference presentations around the world.

$ 8,810,883: total research award dollars
295 Grant proposals submitted
12 Invention disclosures
6 patent applications

“I have a longstanding history of including undergraduates in my research. I meet one-on-one with any interested student and discuss the current projects that are going on in my lab.”

- Brooke Crowley, hometown: Boulder, CO, assistant professor of geology and anthropology