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Nonprofit Academic Centers Council Announces Fellowship Awardees

The Nonprofit Academic Centers Council (NACC) is pleased to announce the four Fellows selected in the 2005 competition for its David Stevenson and William Diaz Faculty Fellowships. The William Diaz Fellowships were awarded to Dr. Ramon Borges-Mendez of the University of Massachusetts Boston and Dr. Kyle W. Farmbry of the University of Texas-San Antonio. The David Stevenson Fellowships were awarded to Dr. Chao Guo of Arizona State University and Dr. Una Okonkwo Osili of Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis.

The Faculty Fellowship Program was established in 2004 by the Nonprofit Academic Centers Council, with the support of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, to honor the contributions of David Stevenson and William Diaz, two scholars in the fields of philanthropy and nonprofit management who died in 2002, and to encourage the development of new research in the field of nonprofit and philanthropic studies. The Fellowship program supports the work of up to four fellows in each program year.

The Stevenson and Diaz Fellowships are designed to advance the work of faculty members of color who teach and conduct research in philanthropic and nonprofit sector studies, which includes the nonprofit sector, nonprofit organizations, nonprofit management and leadership, philanthropy and other closely related topics. The Stevenson Fellowships are awarded to untenured junior faculty members, while the Diaz Fellowships support faculty members of any rank.

In announcing the 2005 cohort of fellows chosen through a competitive application process, Chair of the NACC Fellowship Committee David Renz said, "The work of the 2005 Fellows exemplifies the scholarship and ideals of Bill Diaz and David Stevenson. We are thrilled to be able to honor their work through these awards, as we recognize and contribute to the success of faculty of color who are engaged in quality research in the field of nonprofit and philanthropic studies."

For more information about the Nonprofit Academic Centers Council or the fellowship program, please contact Amy McClellan, Executive Director of NACC, by phone at (216) 368-0969 or by email at amcclellan-nacc@cwru.edu.

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The **Nonprofit Academic Centers Council (NACC)**, established in 1991, is the first group entirely dedicated to the promotion and networking of centers for the study of philanthropy and the nonprofit sector. NACC's mission is to support academic centers devoted to the study of the nonprofit sector, philanthropy and voluntary action to advance education, research and practice that increases the nonprofit sector's ability to enhance civic engagement, democracy and human welfare. To support this mission, NACC provides leadership to strengthen existing centers and support new centers, serves as a resource for sharing best practices, fosters collaboration among programs and centers, develops curricular guidelines and helps advance universities' missions of teaching, research and service through nonprofit studies. For more information about NACC, please visit www.naccouncil.org.

The **W. K. Kellogg Foundation** was established in 1930 to "help people help themselves through the practical application of knowledge and resources to improve their quality of life and that of future generations." Its programming activities center on the common vision of a world in which each person has a sense of worth, and accepts responsibility for self, family, community and societal well being. It is believed that each individual has the capacity to be productive and to help create nurturing families, responsible institutions and healthy communities.

To achieve the greatest impact, the Foundation targets its grants toward specific focal points, or areas. These include Food Systems and Rural Development; Youth and Education; Health; and Philanthropy and Volunteerism. When woven throughout these areas, funding is also provided for leadership; information and communication technology; efforts to capitalize on diversity; and family, neighborhood and community development programming. Grants are concentrated in the United States, Latin America and the Caribbean, and the southern African nations of Botswana, Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Lesotho, Swaziland and South Africa. For more information about the Kellogg Foundation, please visit www.wkkf.org.

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