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Prof. Bruno Kappes Receives Bullock Prize from the University of Alaska Foundation



Prof. Bruno Kappes, director of the Anchorage Biofeedback Clinic and a 30-plus year University of Alaska Anchorage psychology professor, was recently selected by the University of Alaska Foundation Trustees as the recipient of its most prestigious award -- the Edith R. Bullock Prize for Excellence.

Kappes has been a pioneer in delivering psychology courses. He has taught more than 10,000 UAA students since 2000 alone. Aside from Kappes teaching duties, he has presented international lectures on the topic and also is an active researcher. His early research at UAA assisted with the protocols and medical treatment of cold-injured patients at the Thermal Unit of Providence Hospital in Anchorage. His current research focus "insanity and the death-qualified jury" has proved important in Alaska's courtrooms as well.

"Professor Kappes has sustained extraordinary achievement and inspired learning through an accomplished history of advancing and disseminating knowledge through teaching, research, and public service. He has taught more generations of Alaska students by virtue of his unique capacity to provide successful instruction to large numbers of Alaska students statewide, national and internationally," said John Petraitis, UAA Associate Dean of Social Sciences, in his nomination.

Kappes will receive \$15,000 for his significant contribution to the university from the UA Foundation, thanks to a generous gift from Edith Bullock. "Edith Bullock made a generous contribution to establish this award to showcase the extraordinary achievements of individuals on behalf of the UA system," said Foundation Chair Scott Jepsen. "And the Trustees resolved that Bruno Kappes' accomplishments in teaching and research embodied the excellence that Mrs. Bullock wished to showcase. As Alaska looks to graduate more homegrown students, Dr. Kappes' pioneering work in distance education will help provide the foundation to reach this goal."

Edith R. Bullock's 30 years of service to the university included serving on the Board of Regents and the Foundation Board of Trustees.

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