



College of Health Professions

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Congratulations are in order



Please congratulate two College of Health Professions faculty members on their promotions. **Sam Atcherson** (Department of Audiology and Speech Pathology) was notified by President Don Bobbitt that he will be promoted to Professor in July. Sam earned his bachelor's degree in communication sciences and disorders and his master's degree in audiology from the University of Georgia. He earned his Ph.D. in audiology and speech pathology in 2006 from the University of Memphis. His first job as an

assistant professor was at the University of South Dakota, and he moved to UAMS and UALR in 2008. Sam was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure in 2013, and he will be promoted to professor in July 2017. His CV is extensive, but here are some of the highlights. Sam is a co-author of three books and 11 chapters and has published well over 40 peer-reviewed papers. Widely recognized for his expertise in audiology, Sam has given scores of invited presentations. At last count, he has given 11 international, 16 national, and 45 regional invited presentations, in addition to about more 50 peer-reviewed presentations at national conferences. Over the years, Sam has been awarded research grants in excess of \$150,000. Among his many service activities, Sam also is a peer reviewer for several journals and national conferences. And he has great taste in bowties (opinion of the dean).

Josh Phelps (Department of Dietetics and Nutrition) will be tenured and promoted to Associate Professor in July. Josh came to the College of Health Professions in 2012 from Oklahoma State University where he earned his Ph.D. in human environmental sciences (2009) and his master's degree in nutritional sciences (2001). He earned his bachelor's degree in anthropology from the University of Michigan in 1992. Josh was also a Peace Corps volunteer in Jamaica from 1995-1996, and he has been involved in community nutrition education programs since 2001. He has received several awards and has worked on numerous service and research projects. In 2014, he was awarded a research grant from the UAMS Medical Research Endowment. He has published more than 10 peer-reviewed papers and has several under review, along with 17 peer-reviewed abstracts and 14 poster presentations. His list of service activities is fairly long and impressive for a newly-promoted associate professor. For example, he is on the editorial board for the Journal of Nutrition



Timely Matters

For College of Health Professions **Dates to Remember**, bookmark <http://healthprofessions.uams.edu/faculty-and-staff/dates-to-remember/>

May 1 – Catalog Revisions – Current catalog pages sent to academic departments for review and revision

May 5 – Cinco de Mayo

May 5 – Deadline: Last day to withdraw from spring semester classes with grade of WF or WP

May 8-12 – Final exam week

May 12 – Deadline: Spring grades for graduating students due to Registrar

May 14 – Mother's Day

May 15-30 – Regular registration for summer semester

May 19 – Deadline: Spring grades for all students (other than graduating students) due to Registrar

May 19 – Spring semester ends

May 19 – Graduation Brunch, 10:00-11:30, Administration West Building Lobby; graduates, families and friends, faculty and staff invited

May 19 – Hooding Ceremony, 2:30-3:30, Stella Boyle Smith Concert Hall, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

May 20 – Commencement, 3:00-5:00, Verizon Arena, North Little Rock; graduates and faculty report at 1:30; <http://commencement.uams.edu/>

Education and the Journal of Obesity and Chronic Disease, and he is a reviewer for several other journals in dietetics and nutrition.



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