

Naghshpour Wins BOF Distinguished Professorship Award

HATTIESBURG – Former CoB associate professor of economics Shahdad Naghshpour has won the 2009 *Butch Oustalet Family Distinguished Research Professorship Award*. According to Charmaine Williams Schmermund's [14-May-09 presser](#), the 2009 *BOFDRPA* was presented to Naghshpour, now a professor in the CoAL's department of political science, international development and international affairs, “. . . for his dedication and contributions to research.” According to Schmermund, “Naghshpour published seven refereed journal articles, four conference proceedings and one non-refereed journal article in 2008. In that same year, he also had five articles accepted for publication in refereed journals, three book chapters accepted and one book contract secured.” As part of the Award, Naghshpour will receive \$1,000 and a plaque recognizing his research achievements.

Of course, regular readers of USMNEWS.net have, thanks to diligent work by our reporters, known for weeks about Naghshpour's recent research successes. In fact, it was Naghshpour's research successes under the leadership of CoAL dean Denise von Herrmann that formed the foundation for our report [Just How Toxic is the CoB's Environment?](#), which compared what Naghshpour has accomplished in recent years under von Herrmann to what he did while a CBA/CBED/CoB faculty member under former deans William Gunther and Harold Doty. That report was largely based on data from [Naghshpour's usm.edu curriculum vitae](#), which lists all of the accomplishments referred to in Schmermund's presser. That report also includes information about Naghshpour's b-school detractors, particularly former ECO professor Charles Sawyer, who often denigrated Naghshpour's research acumen while the two were b-school colleagues at USM.

Other pages at USMNEWS.net, such as [CoB News](#), [Index Lost](#), and [The CoB's Brain Drain, 2003-Present -- Part 2](#), have been very complimentary of Naghshpour's research accomplishments in recent weeks and months. Clearly, the words of Sawyer, EFIB chairman George Carter, and others are (were) often both erroneous and irrelevant when it comes to the accomplishments of those individuals in and around USM's business college.