

Special Report

How Far the (Supposedly) Mighty Have Fallen **An Investigative Series on CoB Faculty Research Credentials**

By the end of the Research Awards Luncheon that is a part of USM's LETTERS DAY on 31-Aug-2007, it was clear how far the CoB has fallen in terms of the scholarly activity of its faculty. At that luncheon the 2007 URC Summer Research Grants winners were recognized. And, as the table below shows, the CoB was noticeably silent.

Table 1
2007 URC Summer Research Grants Breakdown by College

<u>CoAL</u>	<u>CoB</u>	<u>CoEP</u>	<u>CoH</u>	<u>CoST</u>
1	0	2	2	3

There you have it -- the CoB accounted for 0/8 of the 2007 URC Summer Research Grants. Two of the five USM colleges, CoEP and CoH, each received two, while the top Grant-getter was CoST with three. The remaining college, CoAL, accounted for 1/8 of the Grants. From what usmnews.net reporters can tell, the CoB's scholarly activity level appears to have fallen below the threshold required to produce the requisite research necessary to consistently receive accolades like the URC's Summer Research Grants.