

## Recognizing Outstanding Service Excellence



**Jeffrey W. Karpen, Ph.D.**  
**Physiology and Pharmacology**

**Allison Fryer, Associate Dean of Graduate Studies, School of Medicine, submitted the following nomination...**

The Conjoint Courses are Graduate Courses that serve multiple graduate programs, and are directed by faculty from these many programs. Several years ago, these courses were beginning to suffer from a lack of leadership, as the committee overseeing them ceased to meet, faculty directing the courses were desirous for a change, and new faculty were not stepping up to assume leadership of them. Dr Karpen volunteered to chair a new committee to oversee the conjoined courses. He worked with the department chairs and led the committee to find faculty willing and qualified to direct these courses and arranged for a smooth transition from the original directors to new faculty. The conjoint courses impact most of the graduate programs in one way or another and Dr. Karpen was able to rally and re-invigorate faculty as directors and mentors for these courses. He has volunteered to continue as chair of Conjoint Course Committee, and will report to the Graduate Council on course progress and student reviews. On behalf of the Graduate Council, Dr. Karpen deserves a Rose in recognition for reforming and leading the conjoined committee so successfully!



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