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FAU Hosts 40th Annual Honors Convocation

BOCA RATON, FL (April 8, 2009) Florida Atlantic University President Frank T. Brogan and Provost John Pritchett will host the 40th annual Honors Convocation on Wednesday, April 8 at 4 p.m. at the University Theater, in the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters, on the Boca Raton campus, 777 Glades Road.

The annual ceremony recognizes the university's outstanding faculty. (A full list of honorees is attached.) Students to be honored include eight university scholars; the Stan and Renee Wimberly Scholar; and the Student Academic Athletes of the Year.

The volunteer service award, named the FAU Board of Trustees Service Award, will be awarded to an individual who has a record of rendering volunteer service to the university.

Faculty honors include the presentation of the FAU National Alumni Award, University Researchers of the Year awards, university teaching and advising awards, and the Distinguished Teacher of the Year Award, which is determined by FAU students. The recipient of this award, Dr. Eric Chiang of the Barry Kaye College of Business, will present the keynote address.

Honors Convocation is a long-standing tradition that gives the university a chance to recognize our outstanding faculty, students and others.

For more information on the Honors Convocation, call 561-297-0884.

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Noemi Marin

Jacqueline Fewkes

Associate Professor of the Year, Dorothy F.
Schmidt College of Arts and Letters

Assistant Professor of the Year, Harriet L. Wilkes
Honors College

Dr. Eric Chiang

Dr. Eric Chiang is an associate professor of economics at Florida Atlantic University and a senior researcher at the Public Utility Research Center at the University of Florida. He received his Ph.D. in economics from the University of Florida in 2002.

Currently, Chiang teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in international trade, microeconomic theory and the economics of emerging markets. He has published 15 research articles in leading journals, such as the *Review of Economics and Statistics*, the *Southern Economic Journal*, and the *Journal of Technology Transfer*. Chiang also developed two masters-level online courses in telecommunications regulation used at the Public Utility Research Center. The courses were taken by students from 21 countries.

Chiang is a lecturer for the biannual World Bank/PURC International Training Program on Utility Regulation and Strategy and a faculty speaker at FAU Freshman Orientation. In his spare time, he enjoys running, adventure tourism, and studying languages and cultures.