

Jozwiak earns education award

Jim Jozwiak, an instructor in the semiconductor manufacturing technology program for the Selland College of Applied Technology at Boise State, was named the 2002 winner of the prestigious national Motorola Educator of the Year award.



Jozwiak was recognized for his innovation and excellence in teaching courses as well as for producing outstanding curriculum and teaching aids that are used nationally and internationally in semiconductor manufacturing training programs. He was also recognized for his collaborative efforts to partner with business and industry.

Motorola is a global leader in wireless communications and embedded semiconductor solutions for customers in wireless communications, computing and transportation markets. Motorola created the award to recognize an educator who has made significant contributions to the field of semiconductor manufacturing education both locally and nationally.

Before teaching at the Selland College, Jozwiak was a process engineer at Intel Corp. and a group leader in Intel fabrication in New Mexico and Oregon.

Professor OF THE Year

SHALLAT NOT DEFINED BY CLASSROOM WALLS

BY KATHLEEN CRAVEN

Stop by Boise State history professor Todd Shallat's classroom and you're likely to find the place vacant. That's not to say that his classes aren't full or that his students aren't immersed in learning; you just have to look a little farther abroad. Try looking at the Idaho Black History Museum in Julia Davis Park; in the yard of a Queen Anne home on historic Harrison Boulevard; walking the trolley lines in Boise's North End; or touring the old Idaho penitentiary off Warm Springs Boulevard. These are just a few of the places Shallat and his students might be.

"Seventeen years as an undergraduate teacher have long since eroded my faith in the note-taking process," Shallat says. "To thrive, students need air and space; the air to breathe fresh ideas outside of a Formica classroom and the space to inquire and think beyond academe."

By getting his students out where they can see and feel the impact of history, they learn to appreciate its ties to the present. It also sparks further thought, he says — "A visit to a desert homestead sparks debate over cattle grazing; a tour of Idaho's territorial penitentiary opens a teachable moment to talk about the history of prison reform."

For his talent in engaging students and teaching them outside the box, Shallat has been named the 2002 Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching Idaho Professor of the Year. (See Page 26 for an article on writing by Shallat.)

Shallat was honored as a Top Ten professor in 1995 and with the U.S. Department of the Interior Outstanding Service Award in 1988. His six history books and more than 30 articles on technology and the environment have received several writing awards, among them the Abel Wolman Book Award, the Henry Adams Prize, and an Idaho Library Association honorable mention. This past

February he presented the University of Maryland's Distinguished Lecture in Civil and Environmental Engineering, funded by the National Academy of Science.

Shallat is the seventh Boise State professor to win the prestigious Professor of the Year award in the past 10 years; Boise State claims nine wins overall, including a current five-year streak. Past recipients include John Freemuth, political science, 2001; Russell Centanni, biology, 2000; Pam Gehrke, nursing, 1999; Stephanie Witt, political science, 1998; Greg Raymond, political science, 1994; and Tom Trusky, English, 1993. Trusky also earned the award in 1990 and '91.

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