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2008 CCAPS Mid-Level Career Achievement Award

Dr. Sue Stock

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The CCAPS Mid-Level Career Achievement Award honors and rewards exemplary achievements of an individual's mid-level career contributions to the field of college and university counseling and psychological services. The recipient must be a member of CCAPS who has received the highest degree within 10-20 years prior to nomination.

Anyone who knows Dr. Sue Stock knows that she meets and exceeds the criteria for this award for a myriad of reasons. I have the honor of mentioning some of these tonight:

In the 13 years since Sue completed her psychology training at Iowa State University, she has served as a staff psychologist, outreach coordinator, assistant training director, and – most recently – director of counseling services at Roosevelt University. To each of these roles Sue has brought strong clinical skills, deep compassion, and an extraordinary understanding of the challenges and issues that accompany providing psychological services within the context of a university campus.

Sue has also contributed to the profession through her scholarly work. She has published articles in ACPA and NASPA journals, and co-authored a handbook on experiential programming that made a significant and lasting contribution to the professional resource literature. Sue has regularly presented at ACPA, the Big 10 conference, American Psychological Association and other professional meetings. Through these activities she has remained engaged and contributed to the on-going development of the profession.

Arguably, the thing that most makes Sue an outstanding choice for this award has been her commitment to and leadership within ACPA and CCAPS. Sue has been highly involved with the Commission since early in her career. Sue provided extraordinary leadership as a member of the directorate body and Commission chair; her strength as a leader was reflected in the fact that during her term as chair CCAPS won the Excellence in Publications and Overall Distinguished Commission awards. While Sue's "home" within ACPA has clearly been CCAPS she has also made significant contributions to the Association as a whole, serving as a consultant to the New Professionals Institute, a member on the Core Council for Professional development, and as a member of the 2009 convention planning team.

One last—and maybe most important note: Universally, those who know Sue have the highest degree of respect for her professionally and personally and often search her out for her quiet, centered wisdom and her outstanding understanding of the issues facing higher education as a whole. She has the ability to take a "big picture" perspective of the campus climate, student affairs, and student issues. This perspective is among the many qualities that make Sue an effective and outstanding professional.

Therefore, it is indeed my privilege and honor to award the 2008 CCAPS Mid-Level Career Achievement Award to Dr. Sue Stock.

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