



Founders' Day
HONORS ✦ CONVOCATION

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

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Welcome

The Founders' Day Honors Convocation celebrates outstanding academic achievements of our faculty members. As we recognize these achievements, we remember the efforts of those women and men who made this university a reality, and we prepare for the accomplishments of the future.

*Thank you for helping us honor the
outstanding work being highlighted.*

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University Award

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College Award

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College of Nursing

Boon Peng Ng



College of Sciences

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Tingting Zhang



University Award

Ayman Abouraddy

College of Optics and Photonics



EXCELLENCE IN MENTORING DOCTORAL STUDENTS

ENGINEERING, PHYSICAL SCIENCES AND LIFE SCIENCES



University Award

Nazanin Rahnavard

College of Engineering and Computer Science



EXCELLENCE IN MENTORING DOCTORAL STUDENTS

SOCIAL SCIENCE, HUMANITIES, EDUCATION, BUSINESS, ART AND HEALTH



University Award

Mel Stanfill

College of Arts and Humanities



**EXCELLENCE IN MENTORING POST-DOCTORAL SCHOLARS,
EARLY CAREER FACULTY**



University Award

Yue “Gurt” Ge

College of Community Innovation and Education



**EXCELLENCE IN MENTORING POST-DOCTORAL SCHOLARS,
TENURED FACULTY**



University Award

Subith Vasu

College of Engineering and Computer Science





University Award

Elizabeth Hoffman

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University Award

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University Award

John Raible

Digital Learning





University Award

Ahmad Elshennawy

College of Engineering and Computer Science



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Faculty Senate 10 years of service

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Innovation and Education*

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20 years

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50 years

College of Arts and Humanities

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College of Sciences

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*Emeritus
and Emerita*



Emeritus and Emerita



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Lin Huff-Corzine

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Professor Emerita of Physics

Suzanne Martin

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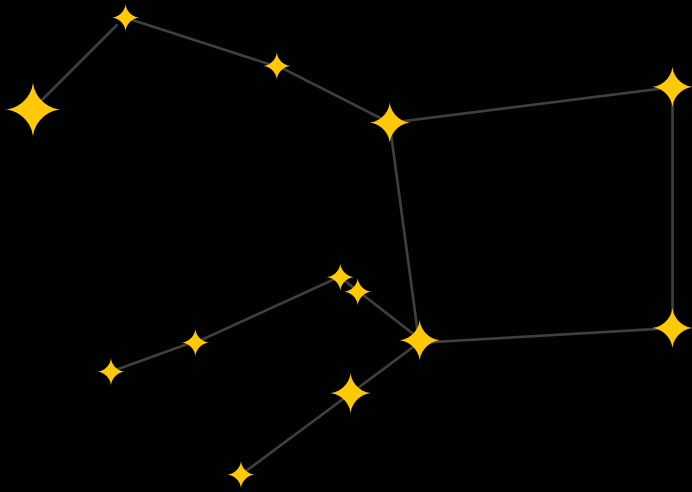
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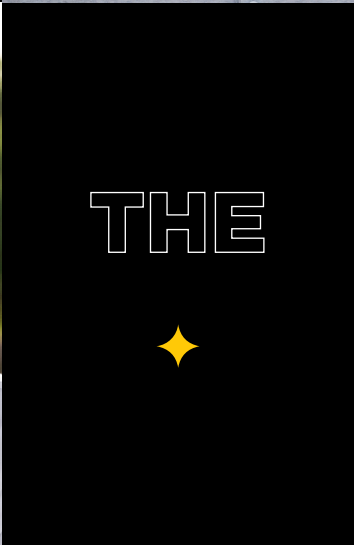




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*Pegasus
Professor*



PEGASUS PROFESSOR '22

“WORK AS HARD AS YOU CAN IN COLLEGE SO YOU CAN PLAY FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE.”

DR. ENRIQUE DEL BARCO is a Professor of Physics and Associate Dean of Research in the **College of Sciences**. Enrique Del Barco used his allowance money to buy scientific journals growing up in Spain. He was fascinated by quantum mechanics from an early age and knew he wanted to be a physicist – even though he took five years to play in a heavy metal band instead of studying.

His dream of becoming a rock star has become true in the field of quantum physics. Del Barco has brought more than \$11 million in external research funds since he joined UCF in 2005. He has published over 90 research papers and is known as an international leader in his field.

He is equally beloved by his students. Including a graduate student who recently convinced him to officiate his wedding. Del Barco says he has always tried to make complicated subjects fun by performing magic tricks in the classroom.

“I hope people remember that I was a nice guy and that I focused on the wellbeing of the group,” he says.

 **WATCH VIDEO**



PEGASUS PROFESSOR '22

“THE RIGHT WORDS AT THE RIGHT TIME CAN SAVE LIVES.”

DR. TIMOTHY SELLNOW is a Professor in the **Nicholson School of Communication and Media** and Associate Director of Graduate Studies for Research and Creative Activity. Sellnow is an international leader on risk and crisis communication. He is amongst the top 10 most-cited scholars in his field and has published seven books and over 100 articles. He has also secured more than \$1 million in external grants since coming to UCF in 2015. He was called by the Center for Disease Control to help in the anthrax crisis shortly after 9/11. His career spans industry and academia.

He grew up in a family of hardworking journalists, with two parents who are first-generation college students. He says they worked extremely hard and instilled a respect for higher education in him and his siblings.

His academic path also led him to his wife and fellow researcher and professor - Deanna Sellnow. Together they've traveled the world, mentored a countless number of students, created UCF's first Strategic Communications PhD program and become grandparents.

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Arthur Weeks

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The University of Central Florida adopted the Pegasus as the university's official symbol to reflect the institution's purpose. The Pegasus represents the harmony between the humanities and the sciences and also the efforts of UCF, its students, staff, faculty, and alumni to Reach for the Stars.

