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## 2011 L. R. Hesler Award



Michael Berry

This year's award goes to Michael Berry, a computer science professor who blends his enthusiasm for teaching with internationally acclaimed research, as well as outstanding service to the university. In the past five years, Berry has brought \$1.7 million in research funding to the university. He has written five books, seven book chapters, and twenty-five journal articles on

topics such as text mining, bioinformatics, and high-performance computing. However, he truly shines by providing students with a stimulating learning environment. In his data mining course, students have the opportunity to learn real-world skills that apply to the business world. Students work together on projects using data from national and local businesses, like Pilot Travel Centers and Capital One. Students consistently praise his teaching effectiveness and contributions.



The **L. R. Hesler Award** is named for the long-time head of the botany department who also served as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Dr. Hesler's students, colleagues, and friends established this memorial award to recognize outstanding teaching and service to the university.

The L. R. Hesler Award is bestowed to faculty with outstanding teaching abilities and service to the university community

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