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## Granger Named Dean of Year for Affirmative Action

Dr. Ben Granger, dean of the UT Knoxville School of Social Work has been named dean of the year by the UTK Commission for Blacks for his work in recruitment and retention of black faculty and students and for other affirmative action efforts.

His selection was based upon an index established by the commission to rank the 13 academic deans and their administrators in regard to their affirmative action work.

Ranking second was Dr. Fred Peebles, dean of the College of Engineering, according to the commission. Also recognized were Dr. William Coffield, dean of the College of Education; Dr. Donald Hileman, dean of the College of Communications; Dr. Warren Neel, dean of the College of Business Administration; UTK Chancellor Jack Reese, and Vice Chancellor Walter Herndon.

## **UT's Granger 'dean of year'**

Dr. Ben Granger, dean of the School of Social Work at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, has been named "dean of the year" by UT Commission for Blacks.

Granger was cited for the School of Social Work's efforts in retaining and recruiting black students, faculty and administrators and initiating opportunity programs.

Dr. Fred Peebles, dean of the College of Engineering, was honored for the college's effectiveness in recruiting black students. The first student of the engineering scholarship program for minority students will graduate in June.

Other deans cited for commitment to the commission's goals were Dr. William Coffield, education, Dr. Donald Hileman, communications, and Dr. Warren Neel, business administration.

Dr. Jack Reese, UT chancellor, and Dr. Walter Herndon, vice chancellor for academic affairs, received awards for their commitment to social justice. Dr. Betty Cleckley, chairperson of the commission, was also honored for her service to the commission and the campus community in heading the group over the past three years.

The Commission for Blacks is a UT administrative committee which advises the chancellor on planning, implementation and evaluation of campus programs, policies and services as they relate to black students, faculty and staff.