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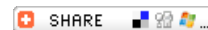
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Quick Facts

- Established in 1991, the award recognizes several factors, including outstanding achievements in the humanities research, teaching and scholarship.
- President DiGiorgio is one of three recipients this year.



President DiGiorgio

ROCK HILL, S.C. — Noting his enduring support for humanities initiatives and publications in higher education, **The Humanities Council SC** will present **Winthrop University President Anthony DiGiorgio** with one of the **2012 Governor's Awards in the Humanities**.

Established in 1991, the award recognizes several factors, including outstanding achievements in the humanities research, teaching and scholarship; institutional and individual participation in community-based programs promoting general understanding of ideas related to the humanities; superior support for public humanities programs; and excellence defining the state's cultural life to a broader audience.

Since becoming Winthrop's ninth president in 1989, **DiGiorgio has led the institution from a regional college with an impressive history to a university of national caliber.**

The council notes that under DiGiorgio's leadership and financial commitment, Winthrop continues to support the Philological Association of the Carolinas, hosted international and national conferences in Irish studies, 18th century studies and Robert Frost and worked endlessly to fund endowed professorships in English and history.

"Being chosen for such an award is gratifying for any educator who believes strongly in the humanities and the liberal arts in general as a foundation for life-long learning, as I do," DiGiorgio said. "To have been nominated by someone as special as my esteemed friend and colleague, Earl Wilcox, makes the award doubly appreciated."

Wilcox is on the Humanities Council Board of Directors and is a Winthrop professor emeritus of English.

The awards will be presented at a luncheon Oct. 30 in Columbia, S.C.

The Governor's Awards have been presented to 59 people since their establishment.

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