

UNO Researchers Ranked Among Top Two Percent Worldwide in Stanford University Study

Rankings Highlight UNO's Research Leadership

A Stanford University [study](#) published in the *Public Library of Science Biology* journal placed nine current and former UNO faculty among the top two percent of more than six million scientists worldwide. Elite rankings were based on researchers' career-long or single-year (2020) impact in their fields of study. These impacts are based on rankings output from a Stanford database of more than 100,000 top scientists in the world. The compilation tracks standardized information on the number of publications and various citation metrics that measure the impact of a researcher's work.

"This is an impressive list. The strong showing by our faculty demonstrates the broad impact our research is making. I congratulate everyone who has been included," UNO Associate Vice Chancellor for Research and Creative Activity Ken Bayles said.

For their career-long impact, the following four UNO faculty were recognized:

- John Shroder (faculty from September 1969 till retiring June 2011; part-time through 2013), a professor emeritus in the Center for Afghanistan Studies who also worked in Geology/Geography, ranked No. 309 for his research in the field(s) of Geography.
- Derek J. Hodgson (faculty from July 1998 till retiring August 2003), former Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, ranked No. 1,300 for his research in the field(s) of Inorganic & Nuclear Chemistry.
- Nick Stergiou (faculty since August 1996), Assistant Dean for the Division of Biomechanics, ranked No. 426 for his research in the field(s) of Orthopedics.
- John P. McCarty (faculty since July 2001), Professor in Biology, ranked No. 72 for his research in the field(s) of Ornithology.

UNO single-year research honorees for 2020 include (all ranks shown for composite score):

- Roni Reiter-Palmon (faculty since August 1993), Professor in Psychology, ranked No. 607 for her research in the field of Social Psychology.
- Emily Wright (faculty since May 2012), Assistant Vice Chancellor for the Office of Research and Creative Activity and Professor in School of Criminology, ranked No. 182 for her research in the field(s) of Criminology.
- Benjamin Steiner (deceased, faculty from May 2012-January 2019), Professor in School of Criminology, ranked No. 191 for his work in the field(s) of Criminology.
- Justin Nix (UNO faculty since August 2017), Associate Professor in School of Criminology, ranked No. 200 for his research in the field(s) of Criminology.
- Andrea Wiggins Grover (faculty since August 2017), Associate Professor in the Department of Information Systems and Quantitative Analysis, ranked No. 189 for her research in the field(s) of Human Factors.

- Nick Stergiou (faculty since August 1996), Assistant Dean for the Division of Biomechanics, ranked No. 190 for his research in the field of Orthopedics.
- John P. McCarty (faculty since July 2001), Professor in Biology, ranked No. 126 for his research in the field of Ornithology.