Endowed Professorships:

**E. S. “Ned” Adler Memorial Endowed Professorship** is funded by Hermann and Zoe Schluter as a memorial to this beloved mechanical engineering professor. Mr. Schluter is a 1950 mechanical engineering graduate. Dr. Warren Waggenspack, Jr., associate professor, was awarded this professorship in January 2001.

**Jay Affolter Professorship in Chemical Engineering** is funded by Jerry Affolter, Jr., a 1942 chemical engineering graduate and Exxon engineer. This professorship was established in memory of his son Jay, a 1974 microbiology graduate, who was killed in a car accident. Dr. Armando B. Corripio, chemical engineering professor, was named to the Jerry Affolter Professorship in January 1998.

**Robert D. & Adele W. Anding Distinguished Professorships I & II** are funded by Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Anding. Mr. Anding, a 1948 chemical engineering graduate and former president of Exxon Chemical Americas, was eager to contribute with the leverage of Exxon’s corporate matching policy. He has also encouraged several of his classmates and co-workers to establish professorships in the College. In August 1995, the Robert D. & Adele Anding Professorships were awarded to Dr. F. Carl Knopf, Chemical Engineering Department Chairman.

**Mr. & Mrs. C. W. Armstrong, Jr. Professorship** is funded by Mr. & Mrs. Armstrong. Mr. Armstrong was a 1935 mechanical engineering graduate and Exxon retiree. He spent his entire work career with Exxon and retired as assistant district superintendent. Since the professorship’s establishment in 1996, Mr. Armstrong has passed away. Dr. R. Richard Avent, professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, was awarded the C.W. Armstrong, Jr. Professorship in January 2000.

**Arthur K. Barton Professorship** is funded by this 1964 chemical engineering alumnus. Mr. Barton is vice president of Polyethylene Americas, a division of Exxon. In January 1999, Dr. Vijay Singh, professor in civil and environmental engineering, was selected to fill this position.

**BASF Corporation Professorship** is funded both in gratitude for the many engineers the company has employed from LSU and in recognition of the importance of quality research and engineering education in the College. In January 1998, Dr. Kerry M. Dooley, chemical engineering professor, was named to the BASF Professorship.
Fritz Blumer & Frances M. Blumer Professorship in Mechanical Engineering is funded by Mr. Blumer as a memorial to Mrs. Blumer. Mr. Blumer received his B.S. in mechanical engineering in 1935 and his M.S. in 1945. He worked for Standard Oil (Exxon) for 42 years and passed away in 1992.

Boyd Professorship in Engineering was created and is funded by the University. The professorship has been awarded to Dr. George Voyiadjis, a researcher and teaching professor in the Civil & Environmental Engineering Department, who has been on the faculty for numerous years.

Buquet/LeBlanc, Inc. Professorship of Commercial Construction is funded by Buquet/LeBlanc, Inc. Three of the company’s executives President Al Pickett, Vice President Chris Stuart and Vice President Bill Firesheets were instrumental in securing this professorship for the Department of Construction Management. All three are graduates of the LSU Construction Management Department. Dr. Jerry Householder, construction management professor, was selected in January 1996 to receive this award.

Gordon A. and Mary Cain Distinguished Professorships in Chemical Engineering I, II, III, IV, V, established in 1998, will each support professional development of new assistant professors in chemical engineering. These professorships were funded by Gordon A. Cain, a 1933 graduate of LSU in chemical engineering. In August 2000, the first of these professorships was awarded to Thomas J. Cleij, assistant professor in chemical engineering.

Cajun Constructors Professorship in the College of Engineering for the Department of Construction Management was created by L. Lane Grigsby, chairman of Cajun Constructors in Baton Rouge. Grigsby is a 1967 LSU graduate in civil engineering and currently serves on the College of Engineering Dean’s Industry Advisory Council and as Chairman of the Construction Management Industry Advisory Council.
Campanile Charities Professorship was created in 1970 by a group of petroleum engineering alumni who make their gifts through Campanile Charities. Dean Adam T. Bourgoyne held this professorship from 1981 until his retirement in 1999.

Campanile Charities Professorship of Offshore Drilling and Petroleum Engineering was established in 1998 by a group of LSU petroleum engineering graduates who formed Campanile Charities. This is the second such professorship they have funded. In November 1999, Dr. John R. Smith, assistant professor in petroleum engineering, was awarded this professorship.

Chevron ’90, ’91, ’92, ’93, ’94 Professorships are funded by Chevron USA as a part of a five-year commitment to the College. The company is one of the largest employers of LSU engineering graduates, with approximately 200 currently employed. Chevron recognizes the value of high quality education and wishes to ensure its continuation. These professorships will be awarded to a petroleum, mechanical, civil, electrical, and chemical engineering professor. The Chevron Professorships have been awarded to Dr. Ronald Malone, civil and environmental engineering, in August 1995; Dr. Zaki A. Bassiouni, petroleum engineering, in August 1999; Dr. Ahmed El-Amawy, electrical and computer engineering, in August 1998; and Dr. Danny D. Reible, chemical engineering, in January 1998. Each faculty member has been selected for his outstanding career accomplishments and dedication to the College of Engineering.

Marvin Rex Clemons Professorship in Engineering, established in 1998, is funded by Mr. Clemons, a 1950 graduate of LSU in petroleum engineering.

Jesse Coates Professorship is funded by many engineering alumni as a tribute to this former head and outstanding professor of the Chemical Engineering Department. In August 1990, this professorship was awarded to Dr. Louis J. Thibodeaux, director emeritus of the College’s Hazardous Substance Research Center/South and Southwest.

Contractors Educational Trust Fund Professorship for Applied Professional Ethics was established in November 2000 by The Contractors Educational Trust Fund (CETF). CETF is very interested in construction management education in the state of Louisiana. In 1992, CETF donated $600,000 to establish a chair in the College of Engineering for the Department of Construction Management. Mr. James H. Gill, Jr. was named the incumbent and has subsequently been an instrumental figure in the development of the CETF Professorship.
F. H. Coughlin/ CLECO Distinguished Professorship was established in 1989 and is funded by CLECO in memory of this outstanding philanthropist who organized and merged Gulf Public Utilities and CLECO. In January 1994 this professorship was awarded to Dr. Alan Marshak, Electrical Engineering Department Chairman. CLECO expanded this professorship to the $200,000 distinguished level in 2001.

L. R. Daniel, Jr. Distinguished Professorship in Mechanical Engineering is funded by Dr. Daniel and alumni. Dr. Daniel is a professor and department chairman emeritus of the Mechanical Engineering Department. In his 24-year faculty career he brought space age technology to the University as well as contributing to the initiation of a degree program in aerospace engineering. The L. R. Daniel Jr. Professorship was awarded to Dr. Sumanta Acharya, mechanical engineering professor, in January 1994. This professorship was expanded in the year 2000 to $200,000.

Roy Paul Daniels Distinguished Professorships I and II and Roy Paul Daniels Professorship III were established by the late Roy Paul Daniels through a trust, with LSU being named beneficiary. Daniels, a 1926 graduate of LSU in chemical engineering, was retired from Gulf Oil Corp. He also established ten other professorships in various LSU colleges.

Donald C. and Elaine T. DeLaune Distinguished Professorship in Electrical Engineering is funded by Donald “Cecil” and Elaine DeLaune, brother and sister and both LSU alumni. Mr. DeLaune, retired Exxon employee, is a 1939 electrical engineering graduate. Miss DeLaune received her bachelor’s and master’s degrees in chemistry in 1937 and 1939, respectively. This professorship was expanded in 2002 to $200,000.

Albert Livingston East, Jr. Professorship in Mechanical Engineering is funded by the Bujol family. Robert and Eugenie East Bujol initiated the professorship in memory of Mrs. Bujol’s father, Albert Livingston East, Jr. Mr. & Mrs. Bujol had previously established the Ike East Professorship in honor of her uncle.

Ike East Professorship in Chemical Engineering is funded by his nephew-in-law, Robert Bujol, an Exxon engineer and 1943 chemical engineering alumnus, in honor of his wife’s uncle’s accomplishments. Mr. East is a 1924 chemical engineering alumnus and retired as one of International Paper’s top executives. In August 1999, the Ike East Professorship was awarded to Dr. Kalliat Valsaraj, chemical engineering associate professor.
Clarence M. Eidt, Jr. Distinguished Professorship is funded by Mr. and Mrs. Eidt. Mr. Eidt, a 1956 chemical engineering graduate, and retired president of Exxon Research and Engineering Company. The Clarence M. Eidt, Jr. Distinguished Professorship was awarded in August 1999 to Dr. Elizabeth Podlaha, a chemical engineering assistant professor.

Ernest R. and Iris M. Eldred Professorship, established in 2002 in the Craft & Hawkins Department of Petroleum Engineering, is funded by Mr. & Mrs. Ernest R. Eldred, who have also established a professorship with the LSU Law Center. Mr. Eldred graduated from the university in 1952 in petroleum engineering. After serving in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean conflict, he enrolled in LSU Law School. Upon completing his studies in 1962, he began representing the State of Louisiana as a private contract attorney, during which he aided the state in receiving more than $275 million in royalty payments. After 43 years in practice, he retired in 2001 and published the book “Louisiana Landowners Oil and Gas Handbook.”

Fred H. Fenn Professorship was established in 2001 by Richard Fenton Jr. Mr. Fenton received his bachelor’s degree from the university in 1936 and his master’s in 1939 in electrical engineering. Dr. Fenn served as Dean of the College of Engineering from 1957 to 1961.

Formosa Plastics Professorship & Formosa Plastics Distinguished Professorship are funded by this Taiwan-based company, which has several plants in Louisiana and employs many LSU engineering graduates. The company began by contributing to the Quality Faculty Development Fund, but later transferred the funds to the first of these professorships. In August 2000, associate professor in civil and environmental engineering, Dr. Kelly A. Rusch, was selected to receive this Professorship.

Fruehan Family Professorship is funded by Mrs. Mary Barrett Fruehan and matched by Exxon. The Fruehan Family Professorship was established in 1997. Mrs. Fruehan's husband, though not an LSU graduate, was an engineer with Exxon for many years. Their son and daughter have chosen to follow in their father’s footsteps, however, at LSU. Their son, Francis, is a 1984 civil engineering graduate, and daughter, Margaret, a 1986 graduate in mechanical engineering. The family’s dedication to the profession of engineering is what prompted them to initiate a professorship in the College of Engineering.

Wilbur D. and Camille V. Fugler, Jr. Professorship is funded by Mr. & Mrs. Fugler. Mr. Fugler is a 1942 petroleum engineering graduate and retired Texaco employee. Mrs. Fugler has since passed away. Mr. Fugler resides in New Orleans.

Georgia Gulf Distinguished Professorship is funded by the Georgia Gulf Corporation due to
the encouragement of then Vice President and Plant Manager, Ed Schmitt. Mr. Schmitt has since risen to the rank of chief executive officer (CEO). He is a 1969 chemical engineering alumnus and member of the College of Engineering Dean’s Advisory Board. Dr. Mehmet Tumay, professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering and associate dean of the College of Engineering, was selected to this professorship in January 2000.

**Groves-Hodges Family Professorship of Engineering** was established and funded by Dr. & Mrs. Frank Groves in 1999. Dr. Groves served on the chemical engineering faculty for 41 years, beginning in 1958. He is now professor emeritus in the Gordon A. and Mary Cain Department of Chemical Engineering. Dr. Groves had previously established an endowed scholarship honoring his parents.

**A.G. Gueymard Professorship** was established in April 2000 for the Craft and Hawkins Department of Petroleum Engineering by Adolph G. Gueymard. Gueymard is a 1935 graduate of petroleum engineering. This is the fourth professorship established in whole or in part by Mr. Gueymard.

**Mark and Carolyn Campbell Guidry Professorship** is funded by Mark and Carolyn Campbell Guidry in 1999 for the Department of Electrical Engineering. Both earned bachelor degrees in electrical engineering in 1959. Mark Guidry also received a Ph.D. in electrical engineering in 1965. The couple also made a gift of $20,000 to the Quality Faculty Development Fund and have long been generous donors to the college.

**Effie C. & Donald M. Hardy Professorship** is funded by Mr. & Mrs. Hardy. Mr. Hardy’s gift
was matched by Exxon. The Hardy’s established the professorship in 1997.

**Robert Hughes Harvey Professorship in Chemical Engineering** is funded by this 1948 chemical engineering graduate and retired Exxon executive. Mr. Harvey took advantage of his corporation’s matching policy to help ensure the quality of higher education at LSU.

**F. J. Haydel/Kaiser Aluminum Professorship** is funded by Kaiser Aluminum, a major chemical and aluminum company in Louisiana. Kaiser originally funded a scholarship, and from the excess funds he began this professorship to honor Mr. Haydel, a 1950 graduate and former company vice president. This professorship was first awarded to Dr. Charles H. Voss, Jr., of the electrical engineering department who has since retired, and was awarded to Dr. David Wetzel, chemical engineering associate professor, in August 1990.

![Jack Holmes Distinguished Professorship in Mechanical Engineering](image)

**Jack Holmes Distinguished Professorship in Mechanical Engineering** is funded by Mrs. Elsie Holmes and their children as a memorial. Mr. Holmes was a 1934 mechanical engineering graduate who worked for Exxon. Mrs. Holmes expanded the professorship to the distinguished level in August 2001. In January 1998, Dr. Su-Seng Pang, mechanical engineering, was named the Jack Holmes Professor.

**Paul M. Horton Professorship** is funded by many engineering alumni as a tribute to this former outstanding professor in the Chemical Engineering Department. Dr. Horton is also responsible for two endowed scholarship funds in the College. Dr. Ralph Pike, Jr., chemical engineering professor, was awarded the Paul M. Horton Professorship in August 1995.

**Paul M. Horton Professorship II in Chemical Engineering** was established by the late Roy Paul Daniels through a trust, with LSU being named beneficiary. Daniels, a 1926 graduate of LSU in chemical engineering, was retired from Gulf Oil Corp. He also established ten other professorships in various LSU colleges.

**Richard J. & Katherine J. Juneau Distinguished Professorship for the Chair of Mechanical Engineering Department** has been established and funded by Mr. & Mrs. Juneau since 1999. The professorship is funded at $300,000. Mr. Juneau is a 1960 LSU graduate in mechanical engineering. Mr. Glenn Sinclair, department chairman for mechanical engineering, was selected to receive this professorship in January 2001.

**James L. & Aileen W. Kelly Professorships I & II** will be funded through a charitable remainder trust established by the Kellys in June 1998. Dr. Kelly received his Ph.D. in chemical engineering from LSU in 1962. He is currently assistant dean of the College of Engineering of
the University of Virginia.

**Mark Krause, Jr. Professorship in Petroleum Engineering** is funded by this 1936 petroleum engineering alumnus and longtime executive with Exxon. Mr. Krause was also an active member of the LSU Foundation. He passed away in 1992. This professorship serves as a lasting memory in his honor and was awarded to Dr. Julius Langlinais, associate dean of the College, in July 1995, in recognition of his career achievements and dedication to the College of Engineering.

![Mark Krause, Jr. Professorship in Petroleum Engineering](image)

**Longwell-Leonard Family Distinguished Professorship** is funded by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Longwell to honor both of their families. The Longwell-Leonard Family Distinguished Professorship began in 1992 at $200,000, expanded in 1997, increased to $300,000 in the spring of 2000, and most recently to $400,000. This Distinguished Professorship is to be established for the Chair of the Craft & Hawkins Department of Petroleum Engineering. Mr. Longwell, a 1963 petroleum engineering graduate and petroleum engineering advisory board member, is currently a director and senior vice president of Exxon Corporation.

![Longwell-Leonard Family Distinguished Professorship](image)

**Alfredo M. Lopez Distinguished Professorship**, established in 1997, is funded by Dr. Alfredo M. Lopez, vice president of research and development with ExxonMobil Research & Engineering Company. Dr. Lopez received his bachelor's, master's, and doctorate degrees from LSU in chemical engineering in 1963, 1965, and 1967, respectively, and is currently a member of the Chemical Engineering Board of Advisors. In 2000, Dr. Lopez expanded his professorship to the $200,000 distinguished level.

**Louisiana Land & Exploration Company Professorship** is funded by this Louisiana-based company which employs many LSU engineering graduates. Dr. John Sansalone, assistant professor in civil and environmental engineering, was selected in January 2001 to fill this position.

**Malcolm C. Lowe, Jr. and Gene Perdue Lowe Distinguished Professorship** is funded by Mr. & Mrs. Lowe. Mr. Lowe retired from Monsanto as business development director after a long career with the company. He is a 1942 graduate in chemical engineering. In August 1999, Dr. Karsten E. Thompson was selected to receive the Malcolm C. Lowe, Jr. and Gene Perdue Lowe Professorship.

**McDermott International, Inc. Professorship** is funded by this company due to the encouragement of retired executive vice president William L. Higgins, a 1965 electrical engineering graduate and member of the Dean’s Advisory Council. McDermott is one of the world’s largest builders of offshore oil drilling platforms. Dr. Pratul Ajmera, professor in electrical and computer engineering, was selected in August 1998 to fill this position.
**Edward McLaughlin Professorship** is funded by 13 advisory board friends of former dean, Edward McLaughlin, to honor his career accomplishments and outstanding contributions to the College. It will be devoted to rewarding excellence in undergraduate instruction. This professorship was awarded in August 1995 to Dr. Lawrence Mann, professor in the Industrial and Manufacturing Systems Engineering Department.

**Mr. & Mrs. Boyd H. McMullan Professorship** is funded by Mr. & Mrs. Boyd H. McMullan for the Craft and Hawkins Department of Petroleum Engineering. Mr. McMullan is a 1943 chemical engineering graduate and Exxon retiree. The sons of the McMullans, Jeff and John, both received petroleum engineering degrees from LSU. The professorship is established in honor and memory of Brian Maassen (Class of 1976), John McMullan’s classmate who died shortly after graduating from LSU. John is an instructor in the Craft & Hawkins Department of Petroleum Engineering.

**Edwin B. & Norma S. McNeil Distinguished Professorship** is funded by Mr. & Mrs. Edwin McNeil. Mr. McNeil is a 1946 electrical engineering graduate and Exxon employee. The McNeil’s established the professorship in 1997, and in March 2000 expanded it to $200,000.

**Oskar R. Menton Professorship** is funded by Mr. & Mrs. O. R. Menton. Mr. Menton, a 1938 electrical engineering graduate, was employed by Exxon, where he held many executive positions. He passed away in 1997. Mrs. Menton is a 1940 graduate and daughter of Mike Voorhies, a former chairman of electrical engineering. In August 1998, the Oskar R. Menton Professorship was awarded to Dr. Kemin Zhou, associate professor in electrical and computer engineering.

**George H. Nusloch, II Professorships I & II** are funded through a bequeathed trust by this retired vice president of the Olin Corporation and 1948 chemical engineering graduate. In January 1998, Dr. Martin A. Hjortsø and Dr. Gregory L. Griffin, chemical engineering professors, were both named to the George H. Nusloch, II Professorships I & II, respectively.

**Occidental Chemical Corporation Professorship** was established in 1996 by Occidental Chemical Corporation in support of the LSU College of Engineering.
Mr. and Mrs. A. J. M. (Bubba) Oustalet Distinguished Professorship is funded by A. J. M. Oustalet, a 1947 graduate in mechanical engineering. Oustalet owned several car dealerships in Jennings and Gulfport, Mississippi. He has funded this professorship to emphasize the area of sales and marketing as an excellent career choice for engineers. Oustalet passed away in 2001.

Performance Contractors Inc. Professorship in the Department of Construction Management was established by Arthur E. Farve, president of Performance Contractors, Inc. in Baton Rouge. Farve is chairman of the Construction Management Industry Council, as well as a member of the College of Engineering Dean’s Advisory Council. He is also a 1972 LSU graduate from the Construction Management Program.

Leon M. Pliner Professorship created in 1998 by his sister, Emogene Pliner, herself a 1949 graduate of LSU with a masters degree in political science. Ms. Pliner has established six $100,000 professorships at LSU in the past five years. Mr. Pliner, now deceased, was a chemical engineering graduate in 1949. He became a self-taught attorney, by taking and passing the Bar Exam without any formal training. Leon Pliner spent the majority of his life practicing law.

Bernard S. Pressburg Professorship in Chemical Engineering, is funded by Mrs. Bernard S. Pressburg, Dr. Pressburg’s sister Joan, and friends and alumni of the College as a memorial to Dr. Pressburg. Dr. Pressburg began as an undergraduate student in chemical engineering in 1933, and completed his doctorate degree by 1941. He joined the faculty in 1946, where he remained until his retirement in 1983.

William G. Reymond Professorship in Chemical Engineering is funded by this 1948 chemical engineering graduate and retired Exxon executive. His generosity was tripled by a corporate match from Exxon. Mr. Reymond established the professorship in 1991 and has since passed away. Dr. Arthur M. Sterling, chemical engineering professor, was named the William G. Reymond Professor in January 1998.

John W. Rhea, Jr. Professorship is funded by this 1940 petroleum engineering alumnus, who is a long-time major contributor to the College and the University. In August 1992, Dr. Zaki Bassiouni, department chairman of petroleum engineering, was awarded the John Rhea Professorship.
Roger W. Richardson Professorship is being funded by the friends and family of Roger Richardson. Dr. Richardson served as dean of the College of Engineering from 1965 until his retirement in 1976. Before becoming dean, he served as head of research for Exxon, where he retired. He will likely be most remembered for his dedication to the creation of the Center for Engineering and Business Administration (CEBA) Building.

John E. & Beatrice L. Ritter Distinguished Professorship is funded by Mr. & Mrs. J. E. Ritter. Mr. Ritter is a 1935 electrical engineering graduate whose entire professional career was spent with Exxon. Mr. Ritter resides in Baton Rouge. Mrs. Ritter passed away in the year 2000. In 2000, this professorship was expanded to $200,000.

Charles & Hilda Roddey Distinguished Professorship in Chemical Engineering is funded by Mr. & Mrs. O. C. Roddey. Mr. Roddey is a 1947 chemical engineering graduate and retired CEO of the Parsons Corporation. The Roddey’s established their professorship in 1997.

Rubicon Professorship was established by Rubicon, Inc. in support of the College of Engineering. John Delaney, vice president and general manager of the Rubicon Chemical plant in Geismar, Louisiana, secured this gift from his company. The Rubicon Professorship was awarded in January 2000 to Dr. Donald D. Adrian, professor of civil and environmental engineering.

Edward A. & Karen Wax Schmitt Distinguished Professorship was established by the couple. Edward Schmitt, 1969 chemical engineering alumnus and member of the College of Engineering Dean’s Advisory Board, was also instrumental in the securing of the Georgia Gulf Distinguished Professorship. Currently he is CEO of Georgia Gulf.

James McLaurin Shivers Professorship was funded by this 1932 chemical engineering alumnus. Mr. Shivers spent most of his career with Exxon. Dr. Michael Henson, chemical engineering associate professor, was awarded this professorship in August 1999.
Charles P. Siess, Jr. Professorship was established by this 1948 chemical engineering alumnus who retired as chairman and CEO of Cabot Oil and Gas Company. Mr. Marc L. Levitan, associate professor in civil engineering and director of the LSU Hurricane Center, was selected in August 2000 to this professorship.

Chester P. Siess Distinguished Professorship will be funded by the estate of Dr. and Mrs. Chester P. Siess. The Siesses will make their contribution for these professorships in the form of a bequest. Dr. Siess is a 1936 civil engineering alumnus, professor emeritus of engineering at the University of Illinois, and a member of the National Academy of Engineering.

Bingham Cushman Stewart Distinguished Professorship, Elizabeth Howell Stewart Professorship, and Irma-Louise Rush Stewart Professorships are funded by the generosity of Bingham Cushman Stewart, a 1926 Arts & Sciences graduate of LSU. Mr. Stewart is vice chairman of the board of Boh Bros. Construction Company in New Orleans. All three professorships are designated for the Civil and Environmental Engineering Department, with the Bingham Cushman Stewart Distinguished Professorship to support the chairman of the Department. In January 2001, the Bingham Cushman Stewart Professorship was awarded to Dr. George Voyiadjis. In August 1998, Dr. John Pardue was selected to fill the Elizabeth Howell Stewart Professorship. In January 2000, Dr. Roger Seals was awarded the Irma-Louise Rush Stewart Professorship.

Newton B. Thomas Professorship of Electrical Engineering, created in 1997, is being funded by Newton B. Thomas, president and chairman of the Newtron Group in Baton Rouge. Mr. Thomas is a 1967 electrical engineering graduate and member of the College of Engineering Hall of Distinction. He also serves on the Dean’s Advisory Council.
Bert S. Turner Distinguished Professorship is funded by Bert S. Turner, chairman and CEO of Turner Industries in Baton Rouge. A long time supporter of LSU, Mr. Turner received his bachelor’s degree in mechanical engineering from LSU in 1943 and an MBA from Harvard University in 1949. The Turner Professorship is designed to support the position of dean of the College of Engineering. It is now the largest professorship in the state, having recently been expanded to $1,115,000. Dean Pius Egbelu was selected in August of 2000 to this professorship.

Humphreys T. Turner Professorship is funded by friends, led by Larry McKee, and family of the former civil engineering professor, Humphreys T. Turner. Dr. Turner was an avid golfer, and for many years now, a golf tournament in his name has been held to raise funds for this professorship, which is now complete.

Alexis and Marguerite Voorhies Professorships I & II are funded by the Voorhies Trust. Dr. Voorhies was a prolific researcher for Exxon, responsible for more than 200 patents and 30 technical publications. After his retirement from industry, he taught chemical engineering at LSU for 16 years. These professorships serve as memorials to the couple. The Alexis and Marguerite Voorhies Professorships I & II have been awarded to Dr. Douglas P. Harrison, chemical engineering associate professor, in January 2000, respectively.

Michel B. Voorhies Distinguished Professorship of Electrical Engineering is being funded by friends of Michel Voorhies including three major donors: Donald "Cecil" DeLaune, Oskar Menton, and John "Skip" Ritter, who, along with Exxon matches and state matches, each accounted for $100,000 of the funding. The professorship is intended to support the chairman of the Electrical and Computer Engineering Department. Professor Michel B. Voorhies served LSU for 47 years from his graduation in 1915 until his retirement in 1965. He earned his bachelor's and master's degree in electrical engineering from LSU in 1915 and 1925, respectively. He also received a master's degree from the University of Michigan in 1931. For more than 10 years, he served on the faculty as assistant professor, associate professor and professor before being named chairman of the Electrical Engineering Department in 1931. During the 1940's, he served as acting dean and assistant to the dean while continuing as chairman until his retirement in 1962.

Michel B. Voorhies Professorship V in Electrical Engineering was established by the late Roy Paul Daniels through a trust, with LSU being named beneficiary. Daniels, a 1926 graduate of LSU in chemical engineering, was retired from Gulf Oil Corp. He also established ten other professorships in various LSU colleges.

Ted and Esther Walker Professorship in Mechanical Engineering is funded by the couple as a memorial. Mr. Walker, a 1942 mechanical engineering graduate, was on the Dow Chemical Board and also served on the Mechanical Engineering Advisory Board. The couple has also
contributed to a Walker Scholarship Fund. This professorship was awarded in August 1994 to Dr. Tryfon T. Charalampopoulos, mechanical engineering professor.

**Emmet C. Wells Distinguished Professorship** was created in 1997 by Mr. Wells, a 1936 graduate of LSU in petroleum engineering. It was increased to the $200,000 Distinguished level in 1999.

**Gerald Cire Williams and Lena Grand Williams Distinguished Professorship in Mechanical Engineering** is funded by the couple. Mr. Williams is a 1934 mechanical engineering graduate who worked for Exxon. Dr. Efstathios Meletis, mechanical engineering professor, was named to the Gerald Cire and Lena Grand Williams Professorship in August 1998. In 2002, this professorship was increased to the distinguished $200,000 level.

**Gary R. Wooley Professorship in Engineering Mechanics** is funded by Dr. Gary R. Wooley. Wooley is a 1969 mechanical engineering graduate who received his PhD in 1972 from LSU. He established this professorship in 2001 in the Department of Mechanical Engineering. Wooley serves on the Dean’s Advisory Council in the College of Engineering. In 2001, Wooley chaired a conference of engineering alumni in Houston, Texas.

**Elton Yates Distinguished Professorship** is being funded by this 1957 petroleum engineering graduate, in honor of his father who shared his name. Mr. Yates was a retired senior vice president with Texaco and was a member of the Dean’s Advisory Board for many years before his death in early 1998. Mrs. Jo Ellen Yates, his widow, has completed funding of the professorship.

**Fred B. & Ruth B. Zigler Foundation Professorship** is established by the Zigler Foundation. The Foundation is located in Jennings, Louisiana and was established by Fred and Ruth Zigler, who owned and operated a successful shipbuilding company there for many years. Dr. Gerald Knapp, associate professor in industrial and manufacturing systems engineering, was selected in August 1998 to fill this position.