

AU professor scores scholarly hat trick

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ALFRED, NY -- An AU professor has won three awards -- in hockey talk, a hat trick -- for his research in school psychology. Dr. Timothy Z. Keith, acting Powell Professor of Psychology and Schooling at the Lea Powell Institute for Children and Families in AU's Division of School Psychology, just received "Article of the Year" honors from the National Association of School Psychologists. That award was for an article, co-written by Dr. Keith and John Kranzler of the University of Florida, analyzing the Cognitive Assessment System. The article appeared in the 1999 volume of School Psychology Review. Since 1993, Keith has won the best-article award from each of the three major school psychology journals, said Dr. Edward Gaughan, school psychology division chair. "To win one best-article award is impressive, but to win from all three major school psychology journals is unprecedented," Gaughan said. "Tim Keith is one of the premier researchers in the field. We are fortunate to have him at Alfred." In the first of the other two awards, Keith and a former student, Valerie Cool, earned the 1993 "Outstanding Article Award" from School Psychology Quarterly for "Testing Models of School Learning: Effects of Quality of Instruction, Motivation, Academic Coursework, and Homework on Academic Achievement." Then in 1999, Dr. Keith, former AU faculty member Dr. Patricia Keith, and four graduate students received "best-article" honors from the Journal of School Psychology for their 1998 article "Longitudinal Effects of Parent Involvement on High School Grades: Similarities and Differences Across Gender and Ethnic Groups." Keith teaches upper-level research courses and doctoral electives and acts as a mentor for doctoral students and faculty colleagues in research projects.-- 30 --