LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Marilyn Rantz, PhD Nursing `92
Curators’ Professor Emerita, Sinclair School of Nursing, University of Missouri
For more than three decades, Marilyn Rantz has worked to improve people’s lives, particularly those of the elderly. As the Curators’ Professor Emerita at the University of Missouri’s Sinclair School of Nursing, she’s internationally known for her pioneering work with the elderly and chronically ill to improve nursing home care quality. She embarked on a career as a nurse before becoming a leading researcher and a premier expert in long-term care. She’s delivered new models of care to enhance the lives of older adults in care communities, maximizing their independence and functionality.

GRADUATE OF THE LAST DECADE AWARD

Andy Hargarten, BS Nursing `10, DNP Nursing Practice `15
Lieutenant/Paramedic, Milwaukee Fire Department
As a Milwaukee Fire Department (MFD) paramedic student, Dr. Hargarten’s clinical rotations were at local Emergency rooms. He soon noticed that nurses were running the ERs. In his effort to even better serve the citizens of Milwaukee, he turned to UWM to obtain his Nursing degree, followed by his Doctorate. He launched the educational Community Paramedic Program which addresses repeat 911 callers and assists them in managing their health conditions.

HONORARY ALUMNI AWARD

Lauren (Laurie) Glass
Professor Emerita, College of Nursing, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
For 30+ years, Dr. Glass was a faculty member at UWM, and now, more than a decade after her retirement in 2005, she continues to be very involved and engaged with UWM and the College of Nursing. Her career at UWM reflects her total and comprehensive commitment and passion to the College’s success from within as a valued researcher, teacher and active participant in governance. In retirement, Dr. Glass continues to be immensely involved in UWM activities, including the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, attendance at many athletic and cultural events, as well as continuing to make significant voluntary contributions of time, dedication and leadership to the College of Nursing Alumni Chapter.

CORPORATE PARTNER AWARD

Ovation Communities
In 2016, a Research Chair was established with three year commitment of more than $500,000 from the Jewish Home and Care Center Foundation. The research studies taking place at Ovation Communities focus on critical issues related to the field of gerontology, such as dementia, disability, and physical ability of older adults.