Huping Ling, professor of history, was honored with the distinguished Changjiang Scholar Chair Professorship by the Central China Normal University, May 7.

The New Changjiang Scholar Program, which began in 2012, is funded and administered by the Chinese Ministry of Education. It is designed to select eminent scholars in the world to help internationalize China's higher education and research. The program awards only 50 prominent scholars overseas annually, mostly in STEM and only a couple in social sciences, to teach and conduct research with leading Chinese scholars at selected institutions of higher education.

During her tenure, academic years 2012-2015, Ling will work jointly with prominent Chinese scholars, conducting research on Chinese Overseas Studies, giving public lectures at conferences and universities, launching cutting-edge research projects, initiating new research institutions and programs, teaching courses in Asian-American studies and supervising doctoral dissertations.
Honors Scholar Graduates

Twelve students were recognized as Honors Scholar graduates for Spring 2013. Honors Scholar medals were awarded at a pre-commencement ceremony May 10.

Truman’s Honors Scholar Program offers outstanding students the opportunity to select rigorous courses in the liberal arts and sciences component of their degree programs. The honor is awarded to graduating seniors who have completed five approved courses, with at least one from each of the four areas of mathematics, natural science, social science and humanities. They must achieve a grade point average of at least 3.5 in those courses and an overall grade point average of 3.5.

Spring 2013 Honors Scholar graduates were:

- Scott Abbey
- Robert Ashcraft
- Shawn Bodden
- Laura Blunk
- Amy Burbee
- Kevin Allen Robb
- Mark Schneider
- Sarah Walkley
- Reo Timothy Weeks
- Ryan Wissmann
- Daniel J. Wood
- Kun Zhang

Nurses Recognized at Annual Ceremony

Spring Class Includes 34 Valedictorians

Truman recognized 34 students as valedictorians during spring commencement ceremonies May 11. Pictured, first row, left to right: Madeleine Keough, Caitlin McGrath, Ashley Kleiner, Amy Vander Wal, Courtney Brandt, Jessica Murfin, Kelsey Spalding, Julie Bangert, Alyssa Bollinger, Nicole Boyer, Amanda Shetler, Megan Chittum, Benjamin Batzer, Lauren Ross and Jessica Petrie. Second row, left to right: Wyatt Hoffman, Shawn Bodden, Jared James, Kevin Robb, Bradley Boone, Justin Corcoran, Scott Abbey, Joshua Wilson, Emily Ross, Jeff Denight, Jonathan Ryder, Adam Suarez, Patrick Fink, Mark Schneider, Tabitha Killen, Deborah Boedeke, Elizabeth Boedeke and Kerry Lee. Not pictured: Miguel Fernandez Flores.
E arlier this year, Truman welcomed Paul D. Callister, professor of law and director of the Leon E. Bloch Law Library at the University of Missouri – Kansas City, to present information on the key copyright issues encountered by faculty and staff in higher education.

The workshop was sponsored by Pickler Memorial Library and Information Technology Services in an effort to continue to provide opportunities for faculty and staff to discuss and further their knowledge of the topic.

“Copyright law is dynamic. It is a topic we frequently receive questions about,” said Diane Richmond, director of Learning Technologies. “As faculty members build course content, and as more and more information is being disseminated via Blackboard, professors have a heightened awareness of their responsibility to respect copyright law and review their materials. In education, we use the guidelines of Fair Use as our ‘litmus test,’ but this is not a law, it is a set of principles by which we make our decisions about what is ethical to use in our courses. Needless to say, the discussion of copyright is not straightforward. There are many factors that weigh into the decision-making process.”

During the workshop, a variety of prevalent topics were covered, including aspects of copyright related to Fair Use, the TEACH Act, the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, Blackboard and use of media materials. This event was open to a diverse audience, including individuals who had prior knowledge regarding copyright who were looking for a refresher, as well as individuals looking for an introduction to copyright law.

The workshop was interactive in format and provided attendees with the opportunity to work in small groups to discuss and provide resolutions to typical copyright problems.

By using a scenario-based presentation, Callister showed faculty how to work through a series of questions about licensing and possible copyright exemptions that might apply to their particular situation. Callister also stressed the importance of keeping up with recent court decisions regarding copyright cases.

**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

The creators of the “Student Award Search Aid” website are renewing the B. Davis scholarship for 2013. For more information on this $1,000 scholarship, visit studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm. Questions can also be sent to awards@studentawardsearch.com. Deadline to apply is May 27.

DAZ 3D is offering a $1,000 scholarship to 3D graphic design students seeking financial aid for tuition, books and education related costs. For more information, go to www.daz3d.com/3d-graphic-design-scholarship. Submission deadline is June 1.

USDirect is offering a $1,000 scholarship where they are asking students to show them their school spirit and team pride with a photo. To obtain more information on how to apply for this scholarship, visit usdirect.com/scholarship. Deadline for entry is June 15.

The CEO of Tomorrow Scholarship is a $2,500 scholarship for students interested in business leadership and/or entrepreneurship. Applicants must answer a short online survey and submit a 500-1,000 word essay on “the CEO of tomorrow.” Possible topics could include but are not limited to) company structure, company culture or utilization of technology. For more information, or to apply, go to ceo.com. Deadline is July 1.

Abbott & Fenner Business Consultants will be awarding up to $1,000 each year to a scholarship winner. To apply, students will submit an essay on the topic that appears on the scholarship page of their website at abottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm.

AES Engineers is committed to continuing its support of higher education by providing scholarships to deserving students. To be eligible the student needs to answer one of the essay questions that they will find online at aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm. A $500 scholarship will be awarded on the basis of character, as determined by evaluating the essays that are submitted. Deadline for entry is Oct. 4.

The Streamline Refinance Scholarship for Finance and Economics Scholarship is now available. Details can be found at streamlinerefinance.net/finance-economics-scholarship.html.

StudentScholarships.org has scholarships available to Missouri residents on their website, studentscholarships.org/2013scholarships.php. Truman students should specifically look for the following scholarships: Gilbratti Scholarship, Youth Volunteer Scholarship Award, Healthy Choices Scholarship, Scholarship by Design Award, Black and Lee Scholarship, Caretenders Scholarship Program, LM Scholarship Program, Rogers Community Volunteer Scholarship Program, Sedary & Associates Scholarship and Lift Parts Express Scholarship.

U.S. Bank will award 40 scholarships of $1,000 through a random drawing process. Undergraduate students attending an eligible four-year college or university participating in the U.S. Bank No Fee Education Loan Program are eligible to apply. Further details regarding this scholarship opportunity can be found at usbank.com/scholarship.

A-Z Printing has announced a scholarship opportunity for students in the amount of $1,000. More information about this “Impact a Life” college scholarship may be found at raffleticket.com/raffle-tickets-scholarship.html. Deadline to apply is Dec. 31.

**Next Issue**

The next issue of the Truman Today will be available June 3. Submissions can be made by sending an email to tmiles@truman.edu or by completing a Truman Today form available in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 202. The form may also be accessed online at trumantoday.truman.edu/submissionform.pdf. All submissions are subject to editing for clarity and style.
NOTABLES

Elizabeth Clark will serve as the Interim Dean of the School of Social and Cultural Studies. Clark’s appointment officially begins July 1 and ends June 30, 2014. Clark has served as the Communications Department chair for six years.

Sarah Miller, a justice systems student, has been awarded third place in the American Criminal Justice Association’s National Paper Competition. Miller’s paper entitled, “The uncertain future of the juvenile court system,” earned a cash prize and a certification of recognition.

Register Now for Taste of Truman

The registration deadline for the 2013 Taste of Truman program is May 24. Taste of Truman, which will take place June 21-23, offers a few days of the college experience and is targeted to: alumni; teachers in need of classroom enrichment ideas and continuing education; and members of the community seeking a sampling of the University’s liberal arts experience.

For more information, contact the Truman Institute at 660.785.5406 or jmorton@truman.edu. Details are also available online at institute.truman.edu/taste.asp.

Blackboard Outage

At 8 p.m. May 22 Blackboard will be taken down for maintenance. ITS will be adding disk storage to the Blackboard application server and this process takes several hours to complete. The maintenance will begin at 8 p.m. and is expected to last until approximately 9 a.m. the next day.

TRUMAN SUMMER AT-A-GLANCE

JUNE
June 3-Summer Orientation
June 3-Eight-Week Summer Classes Begin
June 7-Summer Orientation
June 12-Summer Orientation
June 15-Board of Governors Meeting
June 17-Summer Orientation
June 20-Summer Orientation
June 21-23-Taste of Truman
June 24-Summer Orientation

JULY
July 1-Second Five-Week Summer Classes Begin
July 4-Independence Day (no classes, offices closed)
July 26-Eight-Week Summer Classes End
July 27-Interim Begins

AUGUST
Aug. 2-Second Five-Week Summer Classes End
Aug. 3-Board of Governors Meeting
Aug. 10-Interim Ends
Aug. 14-Faculty Begin Work
Aug. 16-Summer Orientation
Aug. 17-Freshmen Move-In
Aug. 17-21-Truman Week
Aug. 22-First Day of Classes

Regular Semester Hours