

Intellectual Property Expert Named to Head Technology Transfer

An alumnus who most recently managed intellectual property issues for Abbott Medical Optics in Santa Ana, Calif., will oversee technology transfer for the University.

Scott Catlin '92 has been appointed associate vice president for innovation and technology commercialization, which includes directing the Office of Technology Transfer. That office is responsible for protecting the University's intellectual property and facilitating the commercialization of technologies.

Catlin, who earned a bachelor's degree in optical engineering at Rochester before getting his law degree at Notre Dame, was legal section head for Abbott Medical Optics. He is registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Catlin will report to the senior vice president for research.

LICENSE LEADER: Scott Catlin '92 will lead the University's programs to commercialize research, technologies, and other intellectual property.



Scholar of Inequality Receives Douglass Medal

Noted anthropologist Yolanda Moses received the University's Frederick Douglass Medal in recognition of her scholarship and public service.

A former president of the City College of New York, Moses is a leading scholar of the origins of social inequality. A past president of the American Anthropological Association, she is currently the associate vice chancellor for diversity, equity, and excellence at the University of California at Riverside, where she also is a professor of anthropology.

She is involved in national projects to promote diversity in education with the National Council for Research on Women and the Women of Color Research Collective, and she was a driving force behind the creation of a traveling museum exhibition, *RACE: Are We So Different?*

Using comparative ethnographic and survey methods, she has focused on gender and class disparities in the Caribbean, East Africa, and the United States. More recently, she turned to issues of diversity and change in universities and colleges in the United States, India, Europe, and South Africa.



HONOREE: Yolanda Moses received the Douglass Medal.



SOUND SPACE: Kedar Shashidhar '14, who interned last summer at Blackdog Recording Studios in Rochester (above), is one of several students pursuing a new major in audio and music engineering.

New Major in Audio and Music Engineering Offered

In response to rapid changes in the field of audio engineering, the University is combining its expertise in music and engineering to help students succeed in the redefined industry.

The New York State Department of Education has certified Rochester's new

undergraduate audio and music engineering major, which is being offered to students for the first time this academic year.

Students enrolled in the major will develop knowledge and skills in recording and sound design, acoustics, electronics, digital signal processing, and computer

programming. About 15 students have declared the new major.

Beginning in fall 2013, programs for the new major will be housed in Ronald Rettner Hall for Media Arts and Innovation, now under construction between Wilson Commons and Morey Hall.



CHAMPIONSHIP POSE: Congresswoman Louise Slaughter (second from right) met with students in Rochester’s McNair program—advisor Nick Valentino, Sierrah Grigsby ’13, Alisa Jimenez ’14, and Grace Cannon ’13—after Slaughter was presented with the Champion of Science Award from the Science Coalition, a national science advocacy organization.

Science Coalition Honors Louise Slaughter

The Science Coalition honored Congresswoman Louise Slaughter this winter with its Champion of Science Award in honor of her commitment to funding basic research.

President Joel Seligman presented the award at a University event attended by Medical Center

CEO Bradford Berk ’81M (MD/PhD), researchers, and students.

Seligman called Slaughter—who holds degrees in microbiology and public health—a “true friend of science” and praised her “passion, leadership, and tenacity.”

In accepting the award,

Slaughter said, “In an age when our politics often give us reason for despair, the constant progress of science gives us confidence in the realization of a better tomorrow.”

Slaughter also toured the Upstate Stem Cell cGMP facility at the Medical Center.



PLANT LIFE: Littleleaf lindens are part of the campus arboretum’s collection.

New Memorial Honors Veterans

A memorial to honor veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces was dedicated in a January ceremony at the Saunders Research Building.

Located in the atrium, the memorial was inspired by philanthropist and namesake Philip Saunders, who provided the lead gift for the building, which opened in 2011.

The memorial is inscribed with a quote from Saunders:

“Let us never forget the sacrifices made by our veterans and their families, and may the re-

search within this building bring healing to them and others.”

The building is home to the Clinical and Translational Science Institute, as well as academic departments. It also houses research programs in cancer, pediatrics, emergency medicine, neurological disorders, and cardiovascular disease.

NAMESAKE: Philip Saunders suggested a veterans memorial in the building that bears his name.



trees, an Arbor Day observance, and student-learning projects. Last spring, Rochester was one of five Tree Campus USA schools nationally to receive \$1,000 from the Arbor Day Foundation to help fund an Arbor Day tree-planting event.

To view a tree map of the River Campus, visit www.facilities.rochester.edu/arboretum/photos/map.pdf.