

The Mark of Excellence

The UWI Vice-Chancellor's Awards for Excellence 2016-2017

Six awards were presented at The UWI Vice-Chancellor's Awards for Excellence 2016-2017. These awards recognise excellence in teaching, administration and research accomplishments, service to the university community, contributions to public service, and all-round excellence in a combination of two or more of these core areas and a departmental award for service and operational excellence. This year, two new awards were added: Excellence in Multi-Campus Research Collaboration: the One-UWI Award and Excellence in International Collaboration: the Globalisation Award. The ceremony was held at the Teaching and Learning Complex of The UWI St Augustine Campus on October 25.

The 2016-2017 awardees were:

■ Excellence Award for Teaching

Dr Jacqueline Bridge, Senior Lecturer Department of Mechanical and Manufacturing and Engineering, St. Augustine Campus.

■ Excellence Award for Research Accomplishments

Professor Chris Oura, School of Veterinary Medicine, St. Augustine Campus and Professor Ian R. Hambleton, the George Alleyne Chronic Disease Research Centre, Cave Hill Campus (formerly the Chronic Disease Research Centre). Professor Oura specialises in Veterinary Virology and Professor Hambleton is a Professor of Biostatistics and Informatics.

■ Excellence in International Collaboration: Globalisation Award |

Professor John Agard, Principal Investigator. **The Project for Ecosystem Services**, Department of Life Sciences, St. Augustine Campus was a global initiative aimed at better integrating ecosystem assessment and economic valuation of ecosystem services into poverty reduction and national sustainable development planning.



Vice-Chancellor of The UWI, Professor Hilary Beckles with the 2016-2017 recipients of the Awards for Excellence at the ceremony on October 25. PHOTO: MARIA ISLINES

■ Excellence Award for Contribution to Public Service

Dr. Indra Haraksingh, Lecturer, Department of Physics, St. Augustine Campus.

■ Excellence in Multi-Campus Research Collaboration:

The One UWI Award

Evaluation of the CARICOM Heads of Government 2007

Port of Spain Non-Communicable Diseases (NCD) Summit Declaration

- **Dr T. Alafia Samuels**, Principal Investigator, the George Alleyne Chronic Disease Research Centre, Cave Hill Campus (formerly the Chronic Disease Research Centre). The project's objective was to evaluate, seven years on, the implementation of the CARICOM NCD Summit Political Declaration in order to learn lessons to support and accelerate its further implementation. It involved secondary data analysis for all 20 CARICOM countries, in-depth case studies in seven countries and key informant interviews concerning non-communicable diseases, the leading cause of death and disability in the region.