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ADHD Expert Receives UB's First Presidential Award for Faculty Excellence

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BUFFALO, N.Y. -- William E. Pelham Jr., University at Buffalo Distinguished Professor in the departments of Psychology, Pediatrics and Psychiatry, and one of the leading experts in attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), has been named the inaugural recipient of the Presidential Award for Faculty Excellence.

The award was established last spring by President John B. Simpson to recognize a UB faculty member who has achieved the highest degree of excellence as a scholar, community citizen and educator.

Pelham, who also directs UB's Center for Children and Families, will receive the award at a public event to be held in the spring during which he will deliver a lecture on his research.

In explaining his choice of Pelham to be the first recipient of this award, Simpson noted that it came as no surprise, given UB's extraordinary faculty, that the call for nominations attracted a large pool of distinguished, eminently qualified nominees from across campus.

"Bill Pelham stood out as a truly exemplary candidate, even among this august group," Simpson said. "As one of the world's principal authorities on ADHD, as a generous and effective mentor to graduate students and young researchers, and as an educator of the first order, he is the epitome of the well-rounded faculty member -- equally accomplished, dedicated and influential in the areas of research, teaching and service."

In addition to directing UB's ADHD program, Pelham conducts a highly successful behavior-modification summer program at the university for children with ADHD.

He is a resident of Amherst.

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