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Mario Belloni Recognized with 2009 AAPT Excellence in Undergraduate Physics Teaching Award

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The American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT) announced today Mario Belloni is the recipient of the 2009 AAPT Excellence in Undergraduate Physics Teaching Award. Belloni is Associate Professor of Physics at Davidson College. This award is in recognition of contributions to undergraduate physics teaching and awardees are chosen for their extraordinary accomplishments in communicating the excitement of physics to their students.



This prestigious award will be presented to Belloni during the AAPT Summer Meeting in Ann Arbor, MI where he will also present a paper.

Lila Adair, Awards Committee Chair, said, "At Davidson College Mario Belloni is well known as an author, public speaker, researcher, workshop leader, motivator of students, award winning professor, and an innovator in the use of technology for teaching. For his outstanding achievement in teaching undergraduate physics, the AAPT Awards committee is pleased to present him the Excellence in Undergraduate Physics Teaching Award."

Dr. Belloni earned his Bachelor of Arts in Physics and Economics at the University of California, Berkeley. He received his Masters and Ph.D. degrees in Physics at the University of Connecticut.

Belloni began his teaching career in 1997 as Visiting Assistant Professor of Physics at Eckerd College, moving to Davidson College in 1998 where he is currently Associate Professor of Physics.

He received the AAPT Distinguished Service Citation in 2006 and has served as a member of the Planning Committee for the Section Representative/Area Chair Governance (2007), a member of the AAPT Meetings Committee (2007-08), and a member of the AAPT Membership and Benefits Committee (2004-07). Belloni is currently Chair of the AAPT Committee on Educational Technologies, North Carolina AAPT Section Representative, and a member of the ComPADRE Quantum Physics Editorial Board.

About AAPT

AAPT is an international organization for physics educators, physicists, and industrial scientists—with more than 10,000 members worldwide. Dedicated to enhancing the understanding and appreciation of physics through teaching, AAPT provides awards, publications, and programs that encourage practical application of physics principles, support continuing professional development, and reward excellence in physics education. AAPT was founded in 1930 and is headquartered in the American Center for Physics in College Park, Maryland.

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