People

- Human Relations Prof. Chad Johnson has been invited to join the editorial board of the *International Journal of Transpersonal Studies*. He also recently completed a research project to understand the strengths, community health and wellness needs of American Indians in Tulsa. The study involved 650 Native Americans in Tulsa.
- Stamatis Kartalopoulos, Williams Prof. in Telecommunications Networking (OU-Tulsa), was elected an IEEE Fellow and his new text, *Next Generation Intelligent Networks*, recently was published by Springer.
- Prof. Patricia L. Hardre, Educational Psychology, has been invited to serve on a national panel of experts on rural education. She also is Research Chair of the National Rural Education Association.

Scholarship

- Prof. Faruk Civan, Mewbourne School of Petroleum and Geological Engineering, recently published a book titled *Reservoir Formation Damage – Fundamentals, Modeling, Assessment and Mitigation*.

Highlight: CAREER Awardee

- Civil Engineering and Environmental Science Assistant Prof. Amy Cerato was awarded the NSF CAREER Award for her work on *The Role of Specific Surface Area and Cation Exchange Capacity in Understanding and Predicting Expansive Soil Behavior*.
- The CAREER program is NSF’s most prestigious award for junior faculty and embodies NSF’s commitment to encourage faculty to practice, and academic institutions to value, integration of research and education.

Funding

- Prof. Dave Hambright, Oklahoma Biological Station and Department of Zoology, received a 5-year commitment for $1.7 million from the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation for his research on invasive and toxic golden algae.
- Civil Engineering Profs. Jinsong Pei and Musharraf Zaman, and ECE Prof. Tamer Ebrahim, received a three-year $300,000 grant from OCAST for their project “Wireless Sensor Packaging for Monitoring of Highway Bridges.”
- Prof. Djebbar Tiab, Mewbourne School of Petroleum and Geological Engineering, received a 4-year, $2.98 million grant from Kuwait Oil Company (KOC) to establish the “OU-KOC Research and Graduate Program in Petroleum Engineering” in Kuwait, starting January 2008.