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Ward Recognized for Service to the Missouri University of Science and Technology

Marianne Ward of Waynesville was recognized with the Presidential Citation Award for Outstanding Service to the Missouri University of Science and Technology on Friday, Nov. 30, at the annual Alliance Awards Dinner in Columbia.

Ward served as the director of alumni and constituent relations as Missouri S&T from 2007-2012. During her 21-year tenure at S&T she served in many roles in the University Advancement division, including graphic design, public relations and annual giving.

Ward was instrumental in mobilizing student and alumni support of the university's name change, guided the Miner Alumni Association through its recent strategic planning process, and helped coordinate the Alumni of Influence project to recognize the university's most influential and remarkable graduates.

She is currently the director of communications and marketing at the Waynesville R-VI School District.

Each year, the University of Missouri Alliance of Alumni Associations and Extension awards the Presidential Citation Award for Outstanding Service to the University of Missouri and its four campuses. The Alliance selects one person from each campus and Extension, and the UM President selects recipients on behalf of the system.

The Alliance is composed of representatives from each campus and University of Missouri Extension. The Alliance serves as a supportive and unified voice for the UM System in legislative advocacy, and facilitates the interchange of ideas and information between the UM System and the campus alumni associations and extension.

The four-campus University of Missouri System is one of the nation's largest public research university systems with more than 75,000 students and nearly a half million alumni worldwide.