



PRESS RELEASE: Hardesty Earns 2010 American Welding Society District Educator Award

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Included below is a press release regarding Jeff Hardesty being named the 2009-10 American Welding Society District 11 District Educator Award winner. Any questions regarding this release can be directed to Sandy Gholston, interim assistant director of News Services. A mugshot is attached below.

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BIG RAPIDS – Ferris State University’s Jeff Hardesty was recognized for his dedication to quality classroom instruction as he was honored with the 2009-10 American Welding Society District 11 District Educator Award.

“It’s a nice recognition and it feels great to have been recognized by my peers,” said Hardesty, an associate professor in the College of Engineering Technology, who has been employed by Ferris since 2004. “There are many well-known welding professors in the state of Michigan. For me to be picked is an honor.”

From a young age, Hardesty knew he wanted to pursue a career in welding engineering as it combined many types of engineering. He decided to give it a try, and has never looked back. Hardesty earned both Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees from Ohio State University as the foundation for his career as an educator.

“I enjoyed the background that I had in graduate school and enjoyed being with young people,” said Hardesty, who resides in Big Rapids. “Choosing to teach Welding Engineering was a good career change.”

Currently, Hardesty is pursuing a master’s degree in Career and Technical Education from Ferris as his desire to pursue higher education continues.

The American Welding Society’s district 11 includes Michigan’s Lower Peninsula and northeast Ohio.

To learn more about Ferris’ Welding Engineering Technology program, visit its website here:
http://www.ferris.edu/htmls/colleges/technolo/departmen_templatenews.cfm?DepartmentID=21



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