



**PRESS RELEASE: Pilgrim Receives Citizenship Award from Ohio State Alumni Association**

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Included below is a press release regarding the announcement of Ferris State University vice president for Diversity and Inclusion David Pilgrim receiving the Robert M. Duncan Citizenship Award from The Ohio State University Alumni Association. Pilgrim, also the curator and founder of the internationally-recognized Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia at Ferris, was honored to receive this award from his alma mater, The Ohio State University. Any questions about this release can be directed to Sandy Gholston, News Services and Social Media Manager.

A photo is attached here:



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To read the online version of this story, visit:

<http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/news/archive/2012/june/pilgrim.htm>

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**Pilgrim Receives Citizenship Award from Ohio State Alumni Association**

BIG RAPIDS – David Pilgrim, Ferris State University’s vice president for Diversity and Inclusion, was selected as a recipient of the Robert M. Duncan Citizenship Award by The Ohio State University Alumni Association. Award winners will be honored at an alumni ceremony on Saturday, Sept. 14 at OSU’s Fawcett Center in Columbus, Ohio.

Pilgrim, who earned his master’s degree in Sociology from OSU in 1982 and a Ph.D., also in Sociology, from the university in 1984, was recognized by the association as an alumnus who has given sustained leadership, his time and his talent to the university.

“I was surprised and humbled to hear that I would receive the Robert M. Duncan Citizenship Award from my alma mater. It is gratifying to know that others appreciate your work,” said Pilgrim, curator and founder of the internationally-recognized Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia at Ferris. “I’d like to thank M. Rosita Schiller for nominating me. Her gesture was a kind one.”

Award winners are selected by a group of OSU alumni from around the nation. The choices are

reviewed by the Alumni Association's board of directors before they are finalized as winners.

To learn more about Pilgrim, visit:

<http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/administration/president/DiversityOffice/staff/bio.htm>

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