

# In the Spotlight

Sheila Roberson, Director of Alumni and Public Relations, 706-542-5303, roberson@rx.uga.edu  
University of Georgia College of Pharmacy, Athens, GA 30602

November 19, 2008

## Capomacchia Receives Faculty Mentor Award

Dr. Tony Capomacchia, associate professor at the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy, was one of four recipients of a 2008 Faculty Mentor of the Year award at the 15th annual Institute on Teaching and Mentoring.

The Institute, which was sponsored by the Compact for Faculty Diversity, had more than 1,000 participants, making it the largest gathering of minority Ph.D. scholars in the nation. The Compact for Faculty Diversity represents a partnership of regional, federal and foundation programs that focus on mentoring graduate education and faculty diversity.

Capomacchia has directed the College's Sloan Foundation Minority Ph.D. program since 1999 and has coordinated UGA's participation in the Bridges to the Doctorate program with North Carolina AT&T. He was nominated for the award by Brig'ette Johnson Israel, who began her graduate study with Capomacchia in 2004 in the College's Department of Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Sciences as a Bridges to the Doctorate student.

The Institute is funded annually by Dr. Ted Greenwood of the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation and is organized by Dr. Ansley Abraham of the Southern Regional Education Board. Members of the Compact include the Southern Regional Education Board, Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, National Science Foundation Alliances for Graduate Education and the Professorate, National Institute of Health Bridges for the Professoriate NIGMS-MARC, and Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program.



**Pictured: Dr. Ken Pepion, director of Bridges to the Professoriate Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, left; Bridg'ette Johnson Israel, College of Pharmacy graduate student; and Dr. Tony Capomacchia, associate professor of pharmaceutical and biomedical sciences.**