

JSU's Housing Director Receives International Award



Vera Jackson

The Association of College and University Housing Officers-International has selected Jackson State University's Director of Residence Life/Housing Vera Jackson as this year's James Hurd Award recipient.

Jackson, who has worked in the housing/residence life profession for the past 36 years, will receive the award during the organization's July conference to be held in Seattle, Washington. She has been employed at JSU for 27 years.

Jackson has served on numerous committees of the Mississippi Association of Housing Officers (MAHO) including holding such posts as state editor, state representative, and president.

In addition, Jackson served as president-elect and president of the Southeastern Association of Housing Officers (SEAO) from 2004 to 2005. She was awarded the Charles W. Beane Award for outstanding services rendered to SEAO in 2001). Under Jackson's administration, the Humanitarian Award was developed and D.R.E.A.M. (Developing Resources Essential to the Advancement of Multiculturalism) was implemented.

Jackson earned a bachelor's degree in 1975 from Belhaven College in Jackson, Miss. and her master's degree in counseling from Jackson State in 1981.