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University Award for Excellence in Teaching

Kenneth W. Bozeman, Professor, Conservatory of Music

"Kenneth Bozeman, high school valedictorian, graduate of Baylor University and the University of Arizona *summa cum laude*, and a Rotary International Fellow, your early academic and artistic promise assured that you would be no stranger to awards and commendations. Since joining the faculty in 1977, you received the Young Teacher's Award in 1980, were recognized by Baylor University as an Outstanding Music Alumnus in 1983, and by the University of Arizona with the Excellence in Performance and Teaching Award in 1995.

At Lawrence, your primary responsibility has been in the voice studio, where your students have benefited immeasurably from your thoughtful and thorough concern for their technical, musical, and personal development. Your interests in vocal health and in the application of vocal science to pedagogy assure your students a solid foundation for the comprehensive development of their singing voices and an organized methodology for their own teaching careers. As coordinator of Freshman Theory, a program widely respected for its excellence, and as instructor in the Theory classroom, you have made a distinctive and central contribution to the core curriculum of the Bachelor of Music degree.

Your colleagues in the college and conservatory alike also have learned from your exceptional example of teacher as community leader and citizen, responsible and responsive whenever the need has arisen. You have been a key player in developing and shaping the human capital of the university. In like manner, you have offered essential leadership in the development of academic and administrative policy on countless standing and *ad hoc* committees within the conservatory and university-wide.

As an artist, your performances over the years have been a civilizing benefaction touching thousands on campus and in the world beyond. Most recently, your remarkable rendition of the part of the Evangelist in the Bach's *St. John's Passion* was moving testimony also of our good fortune in having you in our midst. With performances of such caliber, you should be spared any more presidential jibes at your mid-winter muffled garb.

In recognition of your teaching prowess and your many contributions to the conservatory and the college, I am proud to present to you the Excellence in Teaching Award for 1996."

Citation read by President Richard Warch at Commencement, 1996