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The SCHEV Outstanding Faculty Award is the Commonwealth's highest honor for faculty at Virginia's public and private colleges and universities. Professor Berger is among 12 outstanding faculty to receive the award this year.

Berger was recognized for bringing “Web 2.0” technologies — blogs, wikis and even YouTube — into his courses. Last fall, the National Science Foundation awarded Berger a three-year, \$500,000 grant to assess the effectiveness of what he's calling “Higher Ed 2.0.”

In the May 2, 2008, edition of the “The Chronicle of Higher Education,” in which Berger and his unique teaching methods were featured, he said his students “learn more that way.”

Berger is also sharing his approach with his colleagues at U.Va. He has held workshops to demonstrate Higher Ed 2.0, and is helping faculty members adapt it for their own classes.

Berger's innovative — and effective — teaching has been recognized before. In 2007 he received a U.Va. All-University Teaching Award, and at the 2008 Engineering School graduation ceremony he was awarded the Howard S. Morton Award for Teaching. He was recently appointed Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs.

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