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Dear members of the Hajim School community:

Congratulations to Amy Lerner, associate professor of biomedical engineering, who is one of three recipients of the University's 2016 Goergen Awards for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching. As BME department chair Diane Dalecki notes, "The senior design capstone experience that Amy has designed is a model program within the Hajim School of Engineering, and importantly a model for senior design courses nationwide." Well done, Amy! Click here to read more about Amy and her award.

Congratulations as well to Jiebo Luo, associate professor of computer science, and former PhD student Junhuan Zhu for the U.S. patent they've received for a computer-based system that uses computer vision techniques to evaluate ophthalmology residents as they practice cataract surgery on a synthetic cornea/cataract device. This provides much quicker feedback as the trainees transition to the operating room. The computer-based method has been shown to be accurate and consistent when compared to expert graders.

In my state of the school address to faculty and staff two weeks ago, I mentioned the importance of internships as one of three key experiences outside the classroom (research and global experience being the others) that benefit Hajim School students. Sophie Zhang '17 of electrical and computer engineering reinforces that in this description of her internship this past summer at LindaCare, a startup in Brussels, Belgium. For the full state of the school address, click here.

Our Hajim School fall Full Spectrum newsletter is hot off the press with features about our NSF CAREER award winners, the Center for Freeform Optics, new faculty profiles, faculty awards, and the Hajim School Young Leadership Council. Read all about it here.

This past weekend was a busy one! Thanks to all of you who turned out for the dedication of the Edmund A. Hajim Science and Engineering Quad on Friday. Today we welcome members of our Visiting Committee, who provide our school with valuable input and support.

Have a great week!

Your dean,
Wendi Heinzelman