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Award

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field of geoarchaeology, I have received this award," Waters said. "I am pleased and honored to receive this award.'

David Carlson, associate professor and head of the Anthropology Department, believes that this award is well-deserved. "Mike has been doing exceptional archaeological investigation for 10 to 15 years.'

"The award certainly draws attention to the department and the caliber of faculty that work here," Carlson said. Although Waters is still relatively young, Carlson said there was still much to be done within his extensive research.

Director of the CSFA Robson Bonnichsen said that Waters receiving the award reflects the high level of quality his colleague puts "It's a terrific achievement that he's been rec-

ognized by his peers in geology as the excellent scholar that he is," Bonnichsen said.

Waters is constantly on the move between archaeological sites. He has recently returned from a site in Mexico only to be leaving soon for Mud Lake in Wisconsin.

Waters is also the recipient of the 2003 Kirk Bryan Award from the GSA for his research with C. Vance Haynes that was published in a geological journal entitled "Late Quaternary arroyo formation and climate change in the American Southwest.'

Astronaut

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companions or feel claustrophobic. Since she was the only American in space, she had the U.S. Segment of the International Space Station to herself, which is comparable to the size of a three-bedroom house.

Although she had difficulty sleeping at first, Whitson said the best part of being in space was zero gravity. The astronauts slept in sleeping bags strapped to the walls. Every move or shift would catapult her across the wall until she began using bungee cords to secure her position.

"It's kind of like a swimming pool. Every orientation feels the same," Whitson said.

Whitson maintained simple routines like exercise while in space. Due to bone demineralization and muscle atrophy, Whitson had to exercise at least two hours each day on the space station. Other tasks such as haircuts and eating were more diffihad to cut her hair while holding a vacuum above her head to capture the loose hair. Food in space was served on an eightday rotation to minimize costs. Whitson said, at the least, she got a little bored with the food.

"When I got back to earth I wanted nothing more than a steak and a Caesar salad," Whitson said. "All I wanted was food."

Communication was not a problem for Whitson and the cosmonauts. Satellite phones allowed them to call home almost daily, and they also had e-mail access.

Whitson graduated from Iowa Wesleyan College in 1984 with a double major in biology and chemistry. She then went on to pursue her doctorate at Rice in biochemistry. Upon graduation, Whitson worked for NASA, hoping to become an astronaut. After 10 years of applying, she was finally selected.

Whitson then trained another six years before leaving on Expedition-5.

'I didn't have a lot of fear by that point," Whitson said. "After 16 years, I was just ready

Currently, Whitson is working as a deputy chief of the Astronaut Office at NASA. She and her husband live in Clear Lake and she enjoys biking, wind surfing, skiing and basketball.

"(Whitson) seems like such a real person - not a nerdy scientist," said Virginia Gasparini, an employee in the atmospheric science department. "And she's in such great shape. I really enjoyed (listening to her speak).

Whitson said she is anxiously awaiting her next chance to voyage into space

Whitson said the key to becoming an astronaut is perseverance. No specific degree or background is required because NASA needs scientists, engineers, mathematicians, teachers and military personnel. However, prospective astronauts must have an advanced degree. It is also important to portray yourself as multi-talented and able to perform a variety of tasks, Whitson said.

"I'm a farmer's daughter," Whitson said. "If I can grow up and become an astronaut, anyone

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