## **Entrepreneurial Faculty Scholars**

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At the suggestion of your college dean, I would like to invite you to join us as an **Entrepreneurial Faculty Scholar.** This program was launched in Fall 2010 and has become a hallmark activity for faculty to begin to achieve impact beyond their labs and classrooms. Importantly, the EFS members are role models for the highly entrepreneurial student and postdoctoral associates, and thus offer educational opportunities beyond the classroom and into postgraduate careers.

Our coming major events for the next academic year will be on October 4 and November 29, 2011, and February 7 and April 3, 2012. In addition, we will host six information-rich brown-bag lunches on topics relevant to company startups throughout the academic year. New information will appear on the Technology Venture Development site, http://www.techventures.utah.edu/. We have included a one-page summary of last year's EFS activities to highlight how our activities for the 2010-2011 academic year.

In 2010, we worked with President Young's office to launch the **Distinguished Innovation and Impact Award**, which recognized two outstanding innovators each year whose accomplishments as faculty members demonstrate impact beyond academia, improving the lives of ordinary citizens, in health care, energy, environment, business, law, communications, technology, or arts & entertainment sectors. The awardees at graduation in May 2011 will be Dr. Ted Stanley and Dr. Carl Wittwer.

Please RSVP to Keri Johnson (keri.johnson@utah.edu) to confirm your participation in the EFS. We also ask that you add "hold the date" notations for the four major EFS events on your calendar.

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