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PBCC's Roger Ramsammy named Professor of the Year

(Lake Worth, Fla. - Dec. 2, 2003) Roger Ramsammy, Ph.D., one of the most sought after professors at Palm Beach Community College, has been named Professor of the Year by the Florida Association of Community Colleges.

He was presented the award during the FACC's recent annual conference after wowing judges from the organization's Faculty Commission and other onlookers with his animated presentation "The Body Snatchers." It depicts how the organism *Bacillus anthracis* causes disease in the human body and how the body fights the disease. FACC is the major state lobbying and professional development organization for community college employees.

"It was a great achievement for me and for my school," said Dr. Ramsammy, who received \$1,000 for the honor.

Dr. Ramsammy's style of teaching —using animated illustrations to explain complex processes – has students rushing to sign up for his anatomy, physiology, microbiology and biology classes each term. His classes often fill up early in the registration period.

Dr. Ramsammy was chosen for the award from an original pool of 12 contenders that was narrowed to three finalists. The three finalists each taught a 15-minute lesson to the judges before the winner was chosen.

Dr. Ramsammy has taught at PBCC in Lake Worth for 10 years. He holds a bachelor's degree in pre-medicine from the University of D.C., a master's degree in molecular genetics from Howard University and a Ph.D. in molecular endocrinology jointly from Howard and Georgetown universities.

For a high resolution photo of Professor Roger Ramsammy click go to <http://www.pbcc.edu/crm/releasepics/ramsammy.jpg>

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