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(April 15, 2010) Michelle Butina, assistant professor of medical technology at Armstrong Atlantic State University (AASU), received the Clinical Laboratory Scientist of the Year Award from the American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science-Georgia (ASCLS-GA) at the society’s annual meeting in Savannah in late March.

The award recognizes a member of the Georgia Society for Clinical Laboratory Science who has contributed significantly to the field of clinical laboratory science. The organization’s Nominations and Elections Committee nominates active members for the award.

In her relatively short tenure at Armstrong and ASCLS-GA, Michelle has established herself as an outstanding scholar in the field of medical technology with a number of publications, national presentations, and invited lectures,” said Hassan Aziz, AASU head of the Department of Medical Technology in the College of Health Professions.

Butina, who joined AASU in 2004, has been on the board of directors for ASCLS-GA since 2004. In 2009, she completed the ASCLS Leadership Academy, a yearlong national program to prepare future leaders within ASCLS. She is slated to become president of ASCLS-GA in the summer of 2011. She holds a bachelor’s from Winston-Salem State University and a master’s from Michigan State University.

Also at the annual meeting, Charlotte Bates, AASU assistant professor of medical technology, and Chad Guilliams, AASU instructor, received the distinguished Omicron Sigma Award. AASU medical technology student Katrina Jackson was selected as president of the ASCLS-GA Student Forum.