Ana Lucia Gazzola is Titular Professor of Literature and Rector of the Federal University of Minas Gerais, one of the finest universities in Brazil. The position of rector at Brazilian universities is comparable to that of chancellor or president of American universities in its responsibilities. Dr. Gazzola received her M.A. (1974) and Ph.D. (1978) degrees in Comparative Literature from Carolina. She returned to Brazil where she has distinguished herself as a publishing scholar, a dynamic and caring teacher, and a strong and tireless faculty leader. Today, she is a prominent figure in Brazilian higher education. She has been honored with the Medal of Honor from the Juscelino Kubitschek Institute and the academic Order of the Palms from the French government. Dr. Gazzola has maintained contact with her faculty mentors at Carolina, has encouraged many of her best students to pursue graduate studies here, and has facilitated faculty exchanges between our two nations. Dr. Gazzola has been a pioneer in the study of travel writing, particularly the works of women from the United States and Europe who wrote about their travels in Brazil in the 19th and early 20th centuries.

As Carolina begins to implement a new general education curriculum that incorporates global connections, it is indeed fitting that we honor Ana Lucia Almeida Gazzola with this Distinguished Alumna Award for outstanding contributions to humanity as a scholar of international reputation and influence.
Thomas Forrest Kelly

Thomas Forrest Kelly, A.B. *cum laude* 1964, is Morton B. Knafel Professor Music and Chair of the Department of Music of Harvard University. Professor Kelly’s roots in the Carolina and Chapel Hill communities run deep. His grandfather, Archibald Henderson, Kenan Professor of Mathematics, served on our faculty for four decades, as did his cousin, Lyman Cotton, Professor of English. After attending Groton School, Kelly was admitted to Carolina in 1960, studying music history and performance with Glen Haydon, William S. Newman, and others. He was awarded a Fulbright Fellowship in 1964, which was renewed for the following year. Residing in the Cité Université in Paris, Kelly was accepted as a student of the renowned organist and composer Jean Langlais, and did work at the Institut de Musicologie, the Institut Grégorien, and the Schola Cantorum where he earned the Diplôme de Virtuosité. He also studied at the Royal Academy of Music in London. Kelly received his M.A. (1971) and Ph.D. (1973) degrees from Harvard University. A distinguished career of scholarship ensued. He has authored seven books. *The Beneventan Chant* (1989) was awarded the Otto Kinkeldey Prize of the American Musicological Society, and *First Nights: Five Musical Premiers* (2000) was named a New York Times “Notable Book of the Year.” His most recent book is *First Nights at the Opera* (2004). Kelly has contributed over 30 essays to musicological volumes and journals published in the United States, England, Italy, Germany, France, Hungary and Croatia. He has held faculty positions at Wellesley, Smith, Amherst, and Oberlin, was appointed to the Harvard faculty in 1994, served as Professeur Invité at the École Pratique des Hautes Études at the Sorbonne (1998), and has served as chair of Harvard’s Department of Music since 1999. His honors include Harvard’s Everett Mendelssohn Excellence in Mentoring Award (2004) and many distinguished fellowships.

In recognition of outstanding contributions to humanity as a scholar of international reputation and influence, Carolina is pleased to confer on Thomas Forrest Kelly this Distinguished Alumnus Award.
JAMES ARTHUR MERCHANT

Dr. James Merchant is dean of the University of Iowa College of Public Health. He received his doctorate in public health at Carolina in 1973, after completing undergraduate studies at Iowa State and the M.D. at the University of Iowa. Dr. Merchant served on the Carolina faculty for two years and then became Director of the Division of Respiratory Disease at the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health when he remained until 1981. He returned to the University of Iowa where he served in a number of positions culminating in appointment in 1999 as the first dean of its College of Public Health. Respected by his colleagues as a leader in the field of public health, Dr. Merchant is best known for his work as a scientist and advocate for workplace safety and health standards. His early research in North Carolina on byssinosis helped define the problem of brown lung disease emanating from exposure to cotton dust. In more recent years, his work to increase attention to hazards in rural and agricultural settings has been at the forefront of the injury control field. His longitudinal study of rural health in Keokuk County, Iowa, forms a great resource for studying respiratory disease, injury, musculoskeletal diseases, and psychiatric conditions in rural communities that will endure for many years to come. Dr. Merchant’s pioneering work on the respiratory effects of cotton dust led to OSHA’s issuance of the cotton dust standard which in turn resulted in a dramatic decrease in brown lung disease.

In recognition of outstanding contributions to humanity through research and teaching in the field of public health, Carolina is pleased to confer on James Arthur Merchant this Distinguished Alumnus Award.
Roy Hampton Park, Jr.

Roy H. Park, Jr., Class of 1961, is a philanthropist and business leader whose generosity has greatly enhanced the academic experience of many students at Carolina and other institutions. Park’s roots in North Carolina run deep. His father, Roy Park, Sr., was a native of Dobson and began his journalism career in North Carolina. Although Roy, Jr., has lived in Ithaca, New York, from an early age, he was born in Raleigh, married in Chapel Hill, and began his career in Charlotte with the J. Walter Thompson Company and the Kincaid Advertising Agency. He attended Lawrenceville Preparatory School in New Jersey before entering Carolina and earned his M.B.A. from Cornell. Roy Park’s second career has been philanthropy. In 1997, Park and his family created the Roy H. Park Fellowships for graduate students in Carolina’s School of Journalism and Mass Communication. These fellowships enable Carolina to attract the nation’s top journalism and mass communication students for graduate study. Through the family’s Triad Foundation, Carolina receives annual support for the School of Journalism and Mass Communication equivalent to a $40 million endowment. Park and his family’s foundation gave our School a major gift to name the 5,000 square-foot Park Library in 1999. Carolina also benefits from the Roy H. Park Distinguished Visiting Professor Program, and the Roy H. Park Lecture Series. Park is president and CEO of Park Outdoor Advertising in Ithaca, New York. In addition to his active interest in and involvement with Carolina, Park is an active supporter of the Cornell Graduate School of Management and a leader in his community.

In recognition to outstanding service to humanity through leadership in the business community and philanthropic work for the wider community, Carolina is pleased to confer on Roy Hampton Park, Jr., this Distinguished Alumnus Award.