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## **Hillsdale College Accounting Professor Receives Prestigious Teaching Excellence Award**

HILLSDALE, Mich. — Hillsdale College congratulates accounting professor Dr. Michael Sweeney, who has been named the recipient of the 2016 Michigan Association of CPA's (MICPA) Accounting Teaching Excellence Award.

“Michael Sweeney’s excellence as an accounting educator has long been known to those of us who work alongside him,” said Dr. David Whalen, provost at Hillsdale College. “We are honored and delighted that this excellence has been recognized by the MICPA, and we heartily congratulate Dr. Sweeney on this prestigious award.”

Sweeney holds the Evert McCabe/UPS Memorial Endowed Chair of Economics at Hillsdale College, where he has taught for the past 20 years. In addition, Sweeney serves as chairman for the Hillsdale Hospital Authority Finance Committee and teaches “Decision Making for Managers” as an adjunct professor at the University of Maryland. Sweeney also coordinates the College’s Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), an IRS-sponsored program that pairs students with local community members in need of tax-preparation support. Throughout his career, Sweeney has accentuated the importance of an accounting education.

The Accounting Teaching Excellence Award “recognizes educators who excel in teaching accounting and promoting the CPA profession.” It also “emphasizes the importance of accounting education to the profession [and] exemplifies the role professors play in supporting the CPA profession.”

Sweeney will formally accept the Teaching Excellence Award at the annual MICPA Awards Dinner on October 5 at the Shenandoah Country Club in West Bloomfield, Michigan.

### **About Hillsdale College**

Hillsdale College, founded in 1844, has built a national reputation through its classical liberal arts core curriculum and its principled refusal to accept federal or state taxpayer subsidies, even indirectly in the form of student grants or loans. It also conducts an educational outreach effort promoting civil and religious liberty, including a free monthly speech digest, *Imprimis*, with a circulation of more than 3.5 million.

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