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### Celebrating the Woman of the Year



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UIC's Woman of the Year [Cynthia Jameson](#) (left) is congratulated Friday by [Mrinalini Rao](#), vice president for academic affairs, who won the award in [2004](#).

Jameson's colleagues and friends honored her at a reception where she was presented with bound volumes of her scholarly work (below).

Jameson, professor emerita of chemistry and chemical engineering, was honored for her efforts in support of women in science, especially in academia.

"Many women are choosing not to go that route because they can see how difficult it is," Jameson said in an [interview](#) published in the [Nov. 5 UIC News](#).

But the rewards are great, she said.

“The thing about a research career in science is that it’s the kind of thing that you would do whether you get paid or not,” she said.

“The doing of science is sufficiently interesting and exciting, and you go from one day to the next with a lot of expectations.”

The Woman of the Year Award is sponsored by the [Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Women](#).

