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## UMMC PROFESSOR ELECTED TO THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNECOLOGISTS

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JACKSON, Miss. – Dr. James N. Martin Jr., professor of obstetrics and gynecology and director of maternal fetal medicine, has been unanimously elected to the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists in London as an ad eundem, or honorary, fellow.

He will receive the award at the organization's World Congress meeting in Liverpool later this month. "This award recognizes the major contributions that you have made to our specialty and the well-being of women," said Dr. Anthony Falconer, president of the Royal College.

The RCOG encourages the study, advancement and practice of obstetrics and gynecology through postgraduate medical education, training and publication of clinical guidelines and reports. Its international office works with other international organizations to lower maternal morbidity and mortality in under-resourced countries.

Martin, professor of obstetrics and gynecology, earned his M.D. from the University of North Carolina School of Medicine, trained in obstetrics and gynecology at North Carolina Memorial Hospital, completed a clinical research fellowship with the World Health Organization at Karolinska Hospital in Stockholm, and a maternal fetal medicine fellowship at University of Texas Science Center at Dallas.

He joined UMMC in 1981 to practice and teach maternal fetal medicine. He has more than 500 scientific publications to his credit, many focusing on pregnancy-related complications including HELLP syndrome, placental ischemia and preeclampsia.

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