Elliot Cohen honored with IRSC excellence award

FORT PIERCE -- Elliot Cohen, Professor of Philosophy at Indian River State College, has been honored with the Anne R. Snyder Department Chair Excellence Award.

Serving as chair of the Humanities Department for over two decades, Cohen was recognized for his many contributions as an outstanding departmental leader.

"Dr. Cohen has an impressive record of promoting student success, as a constant source of wisdom, mentoring faculty, designing new courses and customizing curriculum," said Edwin Massey, IRSC president. "A forward thinker, Dr. Cohen has very positively influenced the College as we see it today."

Cohen is responsible for overseeing curriculum, scheduling course offerings, guiding faculty development, assisting in hiring new faculty, setting departmental goals, conducting meetings, responding to student concerns and addressing faculty issues.

He is highly-regarded for his contributions in the field of applied and professional ethics, as well as philosophical counseling.

The Port St. Lucie resident is author of over 22 books and 150 articles. He is Executive Director and Founder of the National Philosophical Counseling Association, serves on the Indian River Medical Center Ethics Committee and teaches clinical ethics at Florida State University College of Medicine.

He joined IRSC in 1980 and holds a Ph.D. in Philosophy from Brown University.