

Special Report

A Family Affair

An Investigation into Dual USM Incomes within the CoB's Administrative Structure

The Dotys

Readers of usmpride.com are aware that CoB Dean Harold Doty has employed his wife, Susan, as the lead economics education provider within the CoB's Bureau of Business and Economic Research (BBER). Harold Doty (shown below) currently earns a salary of **\$153,924** as Dean of the CoB.



D. Harold Doty



Researchers at usmpride.com do not currently have information on Susan Doty's Center for Economics Education income, which is possibly paid through the Mississippi Council on Economics Education (Susan Doty shown below).



Susan Doty, lead educator for the Mississippi Council on Economics Education, conducts an economics workshop for more than 60 Mississippi teachers in Hattiesburg during March.

The Niroomands

CoB Associate Dean Farhang Niroomand (shown below) has held his current position since the late 1990s, when William Gunther became Dean of the CBA.



Farhang Niroomand

According to the USM Budget Books for 2006-07, Niroomand currently earns an annual salary of **\$142,938**. Niroomand received by far the largest “merit” raise in the CoB in the spring of 2006. Sources tell usmpride.com investigators that Niroomand’s wife, Farnaz Zand, is on faculty in USM’s CoST. A search of USM’s Directory revealed that Farnaz Zand is an Assistant Professor of Computer Science at USM (see below).

Name: **Farnaz Zand**
Department: **GC Science and Technology**
Title: **Asst. Prof.- Comp Sci**

Sources also tell usmpride.com investigators that Zand did her graduate work at USM. A Google search turned up Zand’s salary at USM for 2005-2006 --- **\$65,000**. That salary does not account for the 5% raise given to USM faculty during spring of 2006. Even without that raise, the Niroomands’ collective USM salary is approximately **\$208,000**.

The Babins

Management & Marketing Chairman Barry Babin, and his wife Laurie, are also among the ranks of dual income earners among the CoB’s administration. As Chair of Management & Marketing, Barry Babin (shown below) earns a salary of **\$127,116**.



Babin's wife Laurie (shown below) is also a professor of marketing in USM's CoB.



In that position, Laurie Babin earns a salary of **\$90,430**. Her salary brings the Babins' total USM salary to about **\$217,500**.