## Professor receives honor from YSU groups

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Africana studies, the office of Equal Opportunity Disabilities, the Center for Student Progress and Multicultural Student Services recognized Sarah Brown-Clark for her contributions to the community and this campus.

Brown-Clark, associate professor, English, and Municipal Clerk of Courts was presented with a framed certificate noon Wednesday at a ceremony in the Debartolo Stadium Club as part of Women's History Month. Dorothy Collins, coordinator, Center for Student Progress/Multicultural Student Services, said the theme was "Challenges facing African-American women" and Brown-Clark was recognized as being a role model.

Brown-Clark said the honor was "a positive statement for me and for other women on campus who feel that their struggles on campus with sexism and racism are continuing."

Dr. Victor Wan-Tatah, associate professor, philosophy and religious studies, and director of Africana studies, said, "This is our way of saying we appreciate her and encourage her to keep doing what she's been doing. As she said in her speech, we recognize that she's turned a new page in her life."

Brown-Clark's speech was titled "Turning the Pages of Our Lives: A Perspective on African-American Women."

Collins said, "It was an honor well deserved, for she wasn't only my professor, she was my mentor."



**BROWN-CLARK AND WAN-TATAH** 

when she was a student, Brown-Clark was her mentor.

Brown-Clark said she is always glad to see former students like Collins succeed. "I wanted to do more than present information -In fact, Collins noted that I wanted to touch lives," she said.