Davis Division of the Academic Senate
Distinguished Teaching Awards
2016-17 Call for Nominations

October 12, 2016

The Davis Division of the Academic Senate invites nominations of candidates for the

2016-17 Distinguished Teaching Awards.

Please note there are two separate categories:

- **Distinguished Teaching Award for Undergraduate Teaching**
- **Distinguished Teaching Award for Graduate and Professional Teaching**

Nomination process: Nominations are sought from any member of the academic community: students, student organizations, faculty, staff, alumni, departments or units. The nomination must clearly designate the appropriate category and identify excellence in a broad range of teaching activities and mentoring. Successful nominations provide the perspective of both students and faculty. The evaluation committee is normally composed of five faculty representatives, one graduate student representative and two undergraduate student representatives. The committee is permitted to select up to six awardees.

Eligibility: All members of the Academic Senate, including Lecturers (100 percent) with Security of Employment, Assistant, Associate, Full Professors, and Emeriti who have not previously won the award are eligible. Previous nominees who have not received the award may be nominated again. Normally a candidate must have taught at UC Davis for at least four years to be considered. Awardees receive monetary awards which may be used in any manner to improve teaching on the Davis campus.

Nomination package: Nominations must be submitted electronically as one packet and include the following:

1. **A nomination form that can be downloaded here:** http://academicsenate.ucdavis.edu/committees/committee-list/dta.cfm

2. **Two nomination letters, each containing no more than 1200 words.**

   - **One letter is written by a student(s) or alumnus who has been a direct beneficiary of the candidate's teaching.** This letter should contain the student perspective and reference excellence in terms of lecture/presentation, course organization, innovation, student advising, mentoring, etc. This letter may be written by one or more current or former students.

   - **The other letter is written by a faculty member** (the nominee's department (unit) Chair or a colleague who is familiar with the nominee's qualifications for the award). This letter should document a long-term perspective of excellence and high standards in all aspects of the nominee's contributions to the teaching program.

3. **Student evaluation summaries (appropriate to the relevant award category)** (no more than 8 (total) and no more than 2 for each of the past four years).

4. **For Graduate/Professional Teaching category nominations only:** A list of students for whom the nominee has served as major professor.

5. **The CV of the nominee**, including a list of classes taught.

Send your nomination packet electronically to Bryan Rodman in the Academic Senate Office: bdrodman@ucdavis.edu

In their letters, the nominators should identify excellence in a broad range of teaching activities, including mentoring. These letters and the student letters of support should provide a reasonably comprehensive account of the special qualities and accomplishments that warrant the candidate's consideration as a Distinguished Teacher and may draw upon a wide range of comments. Previous Committees on Distinguished Teaching Awards have found the following characteristics to be important, although nominators should view this as a suggestive, rather than exhaustive, list.

- The objectives, philosophy, and principles associated with the selection of course content.
- The organization, clarity of lectures/presentations, and integration of lectures with class work.
- Significant contributions to improved and innovative teaching.
- The command of subject matter and the ability to relate the subject to current developments, to historical precedents, and to future research.
- The ability to stimulate thought and involvement in the educational process, and the ability to teach students how to learn so that they can develop an independent program of sustained learning.
- The use of innovative evaluation methods.
- Responsiveness and concern for the education and welfare of students.
- Advising and mentoring in terms of the academic activities, career objectives, and personal welfare of students.
- The ability to inspire students to make important career decisions.
- Accomplishments as measured by the success of students in subsequent academic and career activities.

Additional materials besides #1-5 (above) **should not** be submitted with the original nomination. Nominators should ensure that documentary evidence to support the nomination is available upon request by the Committee. The Committee relies heavily upon the letters of nomination.

Deadline for Nominations: 5:00 p.m., Friday, December 2, 2016. All nominations must be submitted **electronically** to the Academic Senate Office in one packet as an email attachment to Senate Analyst Bryan Rodman: bdrodman@ucdavis.edu. Questions concerning nominations may be addressed to Bryan Rodman. Nominators should make sure that they receive an acknowledgment that their nomination was received.

Sincerely,

James Bremer, Chair

Academic Senate Committee on Distinguished Teaching Awards

Past DTA Recipients

2016

DTA – Undergraduate:

Nael H. El-Farra

Alessa Johns

Eric Sanford

DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Lavjay Butani

Julie E. Dechant

Dean J. Tantillo

2015

DTA – Undergraduate:

Russell Hovey

Kristin Lagattuta

Clarence Walker

DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Margaret Ferguson

John Labavitch

Truman Young

2014

DTA – Undergraduate:

Emily Albu

James Carey

Seeta Chaganti

Susan Keen

DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Munashe Chigerwe

Faith Fitzgerald

2013

DTA – Undergraduate:

Matthew Augustine

Manuel Calderon de le Barca Sanchez

Catherine Chin

Thomas Gordon

DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Elizabeth Freeman

Sharon Strauss

2012

DTA – Undergraduate:

Francis Dolan

Ari Kelman

David Osleger

John Stachowicz

DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Richard Sexton

Richard Tucker

2011

DTA – Undergraduate:

Jay Rosenheim

Dean Tantillo

Charles Walker

Gergely Zimanyi

DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Carol Erickson

John Scott

2010

DTA – Undergraduate:

M. Saif Islam

Eric Rauchway

Mark Schwartz

DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Lynne Isbell

Abigail Thompson

2009

DTA – Undergraduate:

Liz Applegate

Judy Callis

Motohico Mulase

DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Marc Blanchard

Ines Hernandez-Avila

Mark Lee

2008

DTA – Undergraduate:

David Block

Randy Dahlgren

Peter Wainwright

DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Roi Doy

Bruce Hammock

2007

DTA – Undergraduate:

John Harada

David Van Leer

DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Gail Finney

Kent Pinkerton

Subhash Risbud

Michael Wilkes

2006

DTA – Undergraduate:

William Fink

Charles Gasser

Tonya Kuhl

Norman Matloff

DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Ezra Amsterdam

Gary Anderson

2005

DTA – Undergraduate:

Douglas Gross

Naomi Janowitz

Kathryn Olmsted

Wendell Potter

Susan Kauzlarich, DGMA

Amiya Mukherjee, DGMA

2004

DTA – Undergraduate:

Krishnan Nambiar

Biswanath Mukherjee, DGMA

James Wilen, DGMA

2003

Chris Calvert

James McClain

James Shackelford

Susan Tucker

Adel Kader, DGMA

Karen Watson-Gegeo, DGMA

2002

Richard K. Grosberg

Douglas McColm

Anita M. Oberbauer

Francisco J. Samaniego

Charles R. Goldman, DGMA

Jerry L. Hedrick, DGMA

Janet Momsen, DGMA

2001
Shirley Chiang
Christopher Reynolds
Peter S. Rodman

2000
Thomas E. Adams
Patricia L. Moran
Dean Keith Simonton

1999
Thomas R. Famula
Edward Inwinkelreid
Mark Rashid
Michael Saler

1998
Edward DePeters
Vijaya Kumari
Debra Long

1997
Paul G. Fitzgerald
Kenneth L. Joy
Thomas L. Rost

1996
James Baughn
Jeannie L. Darby
Theodore Foin
Ron Olsson

1995
Peter H. Lindert
Seymour I. Schwartz
Arnold J. Sillman
Pieter Stroeve

1994
Dwight C. Hirsh
G. Thomas Sallee
Richard F. Walters
Geoffrey Wandesforde-Smith

1993
Richard Cowen
Mohamed M. Hafez
James E. Hogan
Jay Mechling

1992
Linda Acredolo
F. William Blaisdell
Donald McQuarrie
Michael L. Smith

1991
Gary B. Anderson
Edward Schroeder
Stephen Whitaker

1990
Dennis Dingemans
Karl Romstad
Arthur Shapiro
Evelyn Silvia

1989
Michael Lewis
James J. Murphy
Neil Schore

1988
Michael Barbour
John Horowitz
Kenneth Verosub

1987
Lawrence Coleman
David G. Mead
Vernon L. Singleton

1986
Robert Cardiff
Ingeborg Henderson
Leonard Herrmann
Stylianos Spyridakis

1986 (Second)
Richard Freedland
Ernest M. Gifford
D. Kern Holoman

1985
Cornelia Schulz

1984
Gary Ford
Jessica Utts

1983
Gary Hamilton
Ruth Rosen

1982
Harvey Himelfarb
Barbara Horwitz

1981
Richard G. Swift

1980
W. Eric Gustafson

1979
Richard Levin
Amiya Mukherjee
David Robertson
Jane N. Welker

1978

Arthur L. Black

Robert Grey

Charles Nash

1977

Henry L. Alder

G. Donald Chakerian

1975 (No 1976 Recipient)

Richard W. Harris

E.O. Milton

Sherman Stein

Robert Thornton

1974

Eric E. Conn

Milton Hildebrand

1973

Lois O'Grady