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

## **2013-14 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 will review all of the nominations and select a slate of final candidates for a second round of evaluation. For the second round, a more complete dossier for each of these finalists will be requested for review by the Committee. 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 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. **For Graduate/Professional Teaching category nominations only:** A list of students for whom the nominee has served as major professor.
4. **The CV of the nominee**, including a list of classes taught.

**Send your nomination packet electronically to Debbie Stacionis in the Academic Senate Office:  
dstacionis@ucdavis.edu**

In their letters, the nominators should identify excellence in a broad range of teaching activities, including mentoring. The letters 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 #1-4 (above) **should not** be submitted with the original nomination; however, the nominators should ensure that documentary evidence to support the nomination will be available if requested by the Committee. The Committee relies heavily upon the letters of nomination. Therefore, it is important that the letters make the best case possible within the space limitation.

For your information, if your nominee is selected for a second round of evaluation, additional materials will be requested such as additional letters of support, summaries of teaching evaluations, and examples of teaching material. The additional material will be due in late January.

**Deadline for Nominations: 5:00 p.m., Friday, November 15, 2013.** All nominations must be submitted **electronically** to the Academic Senate Office in one packet as an email attachment to Senate Analyst Debbie Stacionis: dstacionis@ucdavis.edu. Questions concerning nominations may be addressed to Debbie Stacionis

Sincerely,

Charles Walker, Chair

Academic Senate Committee on Distinguished Teaching Awards

# Past DTA Recipients

## 2013

### DTA – Undergraduate:

Matthew Augustine  
Manuel Calderon de le Barca Sanchez  
Catherine Chin  
Thomas Gordon

### DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Elizabeth Freeman  
Sharon Strauss

## 2010

### DTA – Undergraduate:

M. Saif Islam  
Eric Rauchway  
Mark Schwartz

### DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Lynne Isbell  
Abigail Thompson

## 2007

### DTA – Undergraduate:

John Harada  
David Van Leer

### DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Gail Finney  
Kent Pinkerton  
Subhash Risbud  
Michael Wilkes

## 2004

### DTA – Undergraduate:

Krishnan Nambiar  
Biswanath Mukherjee, DGMA  
James Wilen, DGMA

## 2001

Shirley Chiang  
Christopher Reynolds  
Peter S. Rodman

## 2012

### DTA – Undergraduate:

Francis Dolan  
Ari Kelman  
David Osleger  
John Stachowicz

### DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Richard Sexton  
Richard Tucker

## 2009

### DTA – Undergraduate:

Liz Applegate  
Judy Callis  
Motohico Mulase

### DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Marc Blanchard  
Ines Hernandez-Avila  
Mark Lee

## 2006

### DTA – Undergraduate:

William Fink  
Charles Gasser  
Tonya Kuhl  
Norman Matloff

### DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Ezra Amsterdam  
Gary Anderson

## 2003

Chris Calvert  
James McClain  
James Shackelford  
Susan Tucker  
Adel Kader, DGMA  
Karen Watson-Gegeo, DGMA

## 2000

Thomas E. Adams  
Patricia L. Moran  
Dean Keith Simonton

## 2011

### DTA – Undergraduate:

Jay Rosenheim  
Dean Tantillo  
Charles Walker  
Gergely Zimanyi

### DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Carol Erickson  
John Scott

## 2008

### DTA – Undergraduate:

David Block  
Randy Dahlgren  
Peter Wainwright

### DTA-Graduate/ Professional:

Roi Doy  
Bruce Hammock

## 2005

### DTA – Undergraduate:

Douglas Gross  
Naomi Janowitz  
Kathryn Olmsted  
Wendell Potter  
Susan Kauzlarich, DGMA  
Amiya Mukherjee, DGMA

## 2002

Richard K. Grosberg  
Douglas McColm  
Anita M. Oberbauer  
Francisco J. Samaniego  
Charles R. Goldman, DGMA  
Jerry L. Hedrick, DGMA  
Janet Momsen, DGMA

## 1999

Thomas R. Famula  
Edward Inwinkelreid  
Mark Rashid  
Michael Saler

**1998**

Edward DePeters  
Vijaya Kumari  
Debra Long

**1995**

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

**1992**

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

**1989**

Michael Lewis  
James J. Murphy  
Neil Schore

**1986**

Robert Cardiff  
Ingeborg Henderson  
Leonard Herrmann  
Stylianos Spyridakis

**1984**

Gary Ford  
Jessica Utts

**1981**

Richard G. Swift

**1978**

Arthur L. Black  
Robert Grey  
Charles Nash

**1974**

Eric E. Conn  
Milton Hildebrand

**1997**

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

**1994**

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

**1991**

Gary B. Anderson  
Edward Schroeder  
Stephen Whitaker

**1988**

Michael Barbour  
John Horowitz  
Kenneth Verosub

**1986 (Second)**

Richard Freedland  
Ernest M. Gifford  
D. Kern Holoman

**1983**

Gary Hamilton  
Ruth Rosen

**1980**

W. Eric Gustafson

**1977**

Henry L. Alder  
G. Donald Chakerian

**1973**

Lois O'Grady

**1996**

James Baughn  
Jeannie L. Darby  
Theodore Foin  
Ron Olsson

**1993**

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

**1990**

Dennis Dingemans  
Karl Romstad  
Arthur Shapiro  
Evelyn Silvia

**1987**

Lawrence Coleman  
David G. Mead  
Vernon L. Singleton

**1985**

Cornelia Schulz

**1982**

Harvey Himelfarb  
Barbara Horwitz

**1979**

Richard Levin  
Amiya Mukherjee  
David Robertson  
Jane N. Welker

**1975 (No 1976 Recipient)**

Richard W. Harris  
E.O. Milton  
Sherman Stein  
Robert Thornton