

## 22nd ANNUAL CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

### Academic Federation Award for EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

All members of the University community (students, faculty, staff, and alumni) are invited to nominate a member of the Academic Federation for the ACADEMIC FEDERATION AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING. Students especially are encouraged to submit nominations.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** This award for Excellence in Teaching is given annually to a non-Senate faculty member for demonstrated teaching excellence at UC Davis. Nominees must hold at least a fifty percent teaching appointment.

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 an Excellence in Teaching candidate and may draw upon a wide range of comments. Previous committees on Excellence in Teaching Awards have found the following characteristics to be important:

*(Nominators should view this as a suggestive, rather than exhaustive, list.)*

- Clear and organized lectures/presentations
- 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
- Innovative methods to assess students
- 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 important career decisions
- Accomplishments as measured by the success of students in subsequent academic and career activities

**NOMINATIONS:** Nominations should be in the form of a letter describing the attributes and accomplishments of the nominee. The letter should include specific examples related to the qualification criteria, but be no longer than three double-spaced typewritten pages. It should describe the characteristics that set the nominee apart from his or her colleagues as an excellent teacher.

***The following additional materials are to be submitted with the letter of nomination:***

- Minimum of **three** support letters, at least one of which should be from a student, one from a colleague and possibly the department chair
- Three sets (or summaries) of student evaluations including students' comments (These may be obtained by contacting the nominee's department)
- A **nomination form** which can be downloaded at:  
<http://academicfederation.ucdavis.edu/awards.cfm>

**Nominators should ensure that additional documentary evidence to support the nomination will be available if requested by the Committee.**

**The recipient of the award will be honored at an awards reception on Wednesday, May 2, 2012.**

**DEADLINE for Nominations: 5:00 p.m. Friday, January 27, 2012**

**All nominations must be submitted as one all-inclusive electronic packet to Academic Senate Analyst Debbie Stacionis ([dstacionis@ucdavis.edu](mailto:dstacionis@ucdavis.edu)). Questions concerning nominations may be addressed to Debbie via email or phone (754-4791).**

List of Past Excellence in Teaching Recipients

**2011**

Sam Nichols  
Music

Ali Daddel  
Mathematics

**2008**

Elizabeth Davis  
University Writing Program

James Shaffrath  
Neurobiology, Physiology & Behavior

**2005**

Ellen Lange  
Linguistics

John Stenzel  
University Writing Program

**2002**

Raquel Scherr Salgado  
English

Dana Van Liew  
Animal Science

**1999**

Charlayne Allen  
Classics

Randy Harris  
Physics

**1996**

Thomas Adamson  
Neurobiology

Liz Applegate  
Nutrition

**1993**

Rodney Cole  
physics

**2010**

Brian Enderle  
Chemistry

Mardena Creek  
University Writing Program

**2007**

Erwin Bautista  
Neurobiology, Physiology & Behavior

Janet Lane  
Linguistics

**2004**

Dorothy Fraser  
Family & Community Medicine

Jared Haynes  
University Writing Program

**2001**

Brenda Schildgen  
Comparative Literature

Victor Squitieri  
English

**1998**

Deborah Cannington  
Plant Biology

Alida Morzenti  
Animal Science

**1995**

Kevin Roddy  
Medieval Studies

**1992**

Timothy Donnelly  
Chemistry

Janet Papale  
English

**2009**

Marlene Clarke  
University Writing Program

Norma Lopez Burton  
Spanish & Classics

**2006**

Aliki Dragona  
University Writing Program

Susan Keen  
Evolution & Ecology

**2003**

Donald Johns  
English

Donna Reed  
Comparative Literature

**2000**

Michael Guinan  
VM Anatomy, Physiology & Cell  
Biology

Donna Nincic  
Political Science

**1997**

Eric Schroeder  
English

**1994**

Carole Hom  
Evolution & Ecology

**1991**

John Boe  
English