COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARLY HONORS AND AWARDS
ANNUAL REPORT
2022-2023

To the Irvine Divisional Senate Assembly:
The Committee on Scholarly Honors and Awards (SH&A) respectfully submits its report of activities for the 2022-23 academic year.

COMMITTEE OPERATIONS
The Committee solicits candidates for each of the Academic Senate Faculty Award categories and selects Academic Senate members for each category. The Committee’s duties and membership are described in Irvine Bylaw 127. Professor Peter Krapp, Humanities, chaired the Committee in 2022-23. The Committee met twice during the academic year.

I. Academic Senate Distinguished Faculty Awards
The Committee reviewed 79 nominations for the Academic Senate Distinguished Faculty Awards for Research, Teaching, Service, Mentorship, and the Academic Senate – Better World Award. Members selected the recipients listed below to be honored during the 2023-24 academic year. Two faculty members received the 2023-24 Academic Senate – Better World Award.

Distinguished Senior Faculty Award for Research
Professor Krzysztof Palczewski
Department of Ophthalmology

Distinguished Mid-Career Faculty Award for Research
Professor Kristin Turney
Department of Sociology

Distinguished Early-Career Faculty Award for Research
Assistant Professor Stephanie Sallum
Department of Physics and Astronomy

Distinguished Faculty Award for Teaching
Professor Jayne Lewis
Department of English

Distinguished Early-Career Faculty Award for Teaching
Assistant Professor of Teaching Joel Lanning
Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

Daniel G. Aldrich, Jr. Distinguished University Service Award
Professor Julia Lupton
Department of English

Distinguished Mid-Career Faculty Award for Service
Professor Stephanie Reich
School of Education
Distinguished Faculty Award for Mentorship  
Professor Michael Yassa  
Department of Neurobiology and Behavior

Academic Senate – Better World Award  
Professor in Residence Philip Felgner  
Department of Physiology and Biophysics

Academic Senate – Better World Award  
Dean Frank LaFerla  
School of Biological Sciences

The recipients are to be honored at the Distinguished Faculty Awards Event scheduled to take place in Winter 2024.

II. **Proposed Revisions to Irvine Bylaw 127. Scholarly Honors and Awards, Committee on**  
SH&A approved making changes to IBL 127 at its June 8 meeting with the intention of enhancing campus representation. The changes remove the ex officio members (the Vice Chancellor for Research and a representative from the Office of the Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning) whose presence at meetings did not substantially add to the Committee discussions. Additionally, these members rarely attend meetings. There is flexibility for the Committee to invite individuals, including these members, as consultants should their expertise be needed. The Committee also proposed that consideration be given also to previous Council on Academic Personnel (CAP) members for service on the Committee. An integral part of SH&A work is reviewing an average of more than 60 nomination files and selecting the recipients for the Senate Awards; past CAP members would be ideal candidates for SH&A service since they have relevant expertise reviewing and evaluating files.

III. **Increasing Campus Outreach and Participation in the Senate Awards**  
During the past awards cycle, the Committee made additional efforts to increase campus participation and raise awareness of the awards. In addition to sending the call for nominations to the Senate Membership, School Deans, and Department Chairs, the Committee also contacted Associate Deans, School Faculty Executive Committee Chairs, and School Faculty Awards Committees. Chair Krapp also met with faculty members who approached him with questions regarding the nomination requirements and submission of awards. As a result, SH&A is pleased to report that the number of nominations submitted increased from the previous award cycle. SH&A hopes to further increase campus participation in future years and has discussed potentially attending meetings on campus to further spread awareness.

IV. **Committee Membership**  
**Senate Members (voting)**  
Peter Krapp, Humanities, Chair  
Diane Campbell, Biological Sciences (Fall 2022 and Winter 2023)  
Tryphon Georgiou, Engineering  
John Lowengrub, Physical Sciences  
Candice Odgers, Social Ecology

**Ex Officio (non-voting)**  
Pramod Khargonekar, Vice Chancellor for Research  
Brian Sato, Associate Dean for the Division of Teaching Excellence and Innovation
Committee Analyst:
Christine Aguilar, SH&A Analyst