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MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE, IRVINE DIVISION

RE: Call for Nominations – 2024 Academic Senate Distinguished Faculty Awards

The UCI Academic Senate's Committee on Scholarly Honors and Awards (SH&A) invites you to nominate colleagues who, in your opinion, have achieved excellence and who have brought significant distinction to UCI through their research, teaching, mentorship, or service to the University and the community. These Senate Awards provide the opportunity for the faculty to recognize the outstanding achievements of our colleagues and, by bestowing these awards upon them, make them and their contributions better known to the UCI community and beyond.

The complete list of awards that are open for nominations during the 2023-2024 academic year follows. Award criteria can be found at: <https://senate.uci.edu/distinguished-faculty-awards/>.

- 1) Distinguished Senior Faculty Award for Research
- 2) Distinguished Mid-Career Faculty Award for Research
- 3) Distinguished Early-Career Faculty Award for Research
- 4) Distinguished Faculty Award for Teaching
- 5) Distinguished Early-Career Faculty Award for Teaching
- 6) Daniel G. Aldrich, Jr., Distinguished University Service Award
- 7) Distinguished Mid-Career Faculty Award for Service
- 8) Distinguished Faculty Award for Mentorship
- 9) Academic Senate Better World Award

Nomination deadline: Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. PT

Nominations may be submitted at <https://dms.senate.uci.edu/~awards/>.

Please adhere to the nomination letter and word limit requirements. Incomplete nomination packets will not be reviewed by the Committee.

In addition to completing the application questions, all nominations must include:

- 1) One nomination letter (required, maximum length – 2 pages)
- 2) A current curriculum vitae (required)
- 3) Up to two supporting letters specifically solicited for this nomination (optional/highly recommended, maximum length – 2 pages each)

For **teaching award nominations**, please include documentation of relevant extraordinary teaching and a summary of teaching evaluation results. Do not upload teaching evaluation questionnaires or letters of support from students.

For **mentoring award nominations**, if you are nominating your mentor, please state how their mentoring has changed or encouraged your academic or career plans (max 250 words).




If you wish to re-nominate a Senate member who was nominated last year, please send a brief memo to that effect, including any updated materials, to the SH&A Analyst, Christine Aguilar (cmaguill@uci.edu).

SH&A encourages every faculty member to participate in the celebration of excellence at UCI by identifying outstanding Senate colleagues for these awards. If you have a nomination that was unsuccessful in the past, you can also consider re-submitting it. We welcome and encourage re-submissions. Please note that SH&A reserves the right to not grant awards in all categories in a given year.

The recipients of the Senate Awards will be honored during the following academic year at an annual event, and they will be known as the Academic Senate Distinguished Faculty Award recipients for 2024-25. The Distinguished Senior Faculty Award for Research recipient will be invited to present a short lecture at the annual event, which includes presentation of the awards and a reception. In addition, winners of the Senate Awards each receive a monetary award of \$5000 that will be transferred to a departmental account.

A list of previous Senate Awards recipients can be found [here](#). Previous award recipients are not precluded from receiving future awards in other categories. Members of SH&A, the Academic Senate Chair, and the Academic Senate Chair Elect are precluded from receiving Senate Awards during their terms of service. The Committee membership can be found at [SH&A Membership](#). Information on the current Senate leadership can be found [here](#).

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the submission process, please contact Christine Aguilar at cmaguill@uci.edu.



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