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## MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE, IRVINE DIVISION

### RE: Call for Nominations – 2025-26 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 to recognize the outstanding achievements of our colleagues and showcase their contributions to the UCI community and beyond.

Please consider the following awards that are open for nominations during the 2024-2025 academic year. A list of previous Senate Awards recipients is available [here](#), and award criteria can be found at: <https://senate.uci.edu/distinguished-faculty-awards/>.

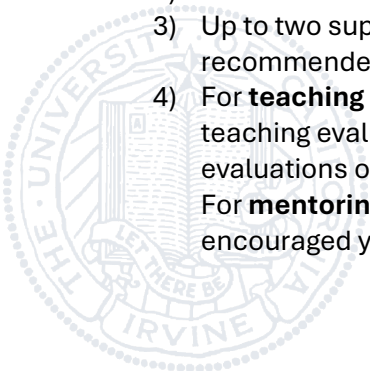
- 1) Distinguished Senior Faculty Award for Research
- 2) Distinguished Mid-Career Faculty Award for Research
- 3) Distinguished Early-Career Faculty Award for Research
- 4) Distinguished Faculty Award for Teaching
- 5) Distinguished Early-Career Faculty Award for Teaching
- 6) Daniel G. Aldrich, Jr.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

As you consider who to nominate for what award, keep in mind that previous award recipients are eligible to receive awards in different categories and that [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.

### Nomination Deadline and Requirements

Nominations are due by Thursday, May 1, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. PT. In addition to completing the application questions, please be sure to submit all required materials at <https://dms.senate.uci.edu/~awards/>. Incomplete nomination packets will not be considered.

- 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)
- 4) For **teaching award nominations**, documentation of extraordinary teaching and a summary of teaching evaluation results are also required in addition to items 1-3. Do not upload teaching evaluations or letters of support from students.  
For **mentoring award nominations**, please state how their mentoring has changed or encouraged your academic or career plans if applicable (optional, max 250 words).



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. 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 ([cmaguil1@uci.edu](mailto:cmaguil1@uci.edu)).

The recipients of the Senate Awards will be honored the following academic year at an annual event, which includes presentation of the awards and a reception, and they will be known as the Academic Senate Distinguished Faculty Award recipients for 2025-26. The Distinguished Senior Faculty Award for Research recipient will also be invited to present a short lecture at the annual event. In addition, winners of the Senate Awards each receive a monetary award of \$5000\* that will be transferred to a departmental account.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the submission process, please contact Christine Aguilar at [cmaguil1@uci.edu](mailto:cmaguil1@uci.edu).



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*\*In the event of multiple recipients in any given category, the monetary award will be equally divided among the recipients in the same category.*