The 2014-2015 Academic Senate Distinction In TEACHING Awards

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Since 1951, the San Francisco Division has annually recognized exceptional Senate faculty members who have shown distinction in teaching. Beginning in 2002, eligibility for this award was expanded to include faculty in the Health Sciences Clinical and Adjunct series. UCSF faculty in the Ladder Rank, In Residence, Clinical X, Health Sciences Clinical and Adjunct series who have appointments at 50% or greater time (at UCSF or its affiliates) are now eligible for the Distinction in Teaching Award in two categories: Category One is for faculty at UCSF for five years or fewer and Category Two is for UCSF faculty at UCSF more than five years.

UCSF students (including residents or fellows) or faculty may nominate UCSF faculty for the Academic Senate Distinction in Teaching Awards and are strongly encouraged to do so.

Recipients of this award will receive an award plaque, an honorarium and will be recognized by the Senate in a ceremony to be held in Spring 2015 and by the Chancellor during the annual Founders Day Banquet.

Nominators must complete the Academic Senate Distinction in Teaching Awards Nomination Form and submit this form with the required documentation to the nominee’s Department Chair. Department Chairs and nominators should coordinate and transmit complete nomination packets electronically to Alison Cleaver in the Office of the Academic Senate no later than 4:00 p.m. FRIDAY, December 5, 2014.

The Academic Senate Distinction in Teaching (DIT) Awards Nomination Form is attached hereto, and also available via the Academic Senate website at senate.ucsf.edu.

Nomination packets should include the following:

- The Academic Senate Distinction in Teaching Awards Nomination Form
- Letter of nomination from the nominator
- Nominee’s current CV
- Letters of support from UCSF faculty (no more than three)
- Letters of support from UCSF students, residents, or fellows (no more than six; at least three of the letters must be from current students)
- Student, resident or fellow teaching evaluations in the format customary to the department
- Letter of support from the Department Chair, which summarizes the nominee’s teaching hours, courses and types of teaching, versatility, effectiveness, mentoring, and personal contact with students, residents, or fellows. All letters may be addressed to “The DIT Award Selection Committee.”

A list of prior DIT Award Winners can be found here.

Electronic nomination packets must be no more than 20 pages. The CV does not count in this limit. Letters of support from faculty and students should emphasize the nominee’s outstanding qualities, and address the nominee’s effectiveness as a teacher, relevance to the professional or academic needs of the students, mentoring, availability, versatility, outstanding teaching style and/or outstanding teaching aids.

Additional questions may be addressed to Alison Cleaver, Senior Analyst for the Academic Senate Committee on Academic Personnel, at 476-3808 or alison.cleaver@ucsf.edu.

The deadline for nominations is 4:00 p.m., FRIDAY, December 5, 2014 to Alison Cleaver (alison.cleaver@ucsf.edu)