

**COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARLY HONORS AND AWARDS
ANNUAL REPORT
2021-2022**

To the Irvine Divisional Senate Assembly:

The Committee on Scholarly Honors and Awards (SH&A) respectfully submits its report of activities for the 2021-22 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 Donald Saari, Social Sciences, chaired the Committee in 2021-22. The Committee met twice during the academic year. Attending regular meetings were five appointed members, the Vice Chancellor for Research, and a representative from the Office of the Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning.

I. Academic Senate Distinguished Faculty Awards

The Committee reviewed 68 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 2022-23 academic year. Two faculty members received the 2022-23 Distinguished Early-Career Faculty Award for Research.

Distinguished Senior Faculty Award for Research
Distinguished Professor Roxane Cohen Silver
Department of Psychological Science

Distinguished Mid-Career Faculty Award for Research
Professor John Chaput
Department of Pharmaceutical Science

Distinguished Early-Career Faculty Award for Research
Professor of Law Swethaa Ballakrishnen
School of Law

Distinguished Early-Career Faculty Award for Research
Assistant Professor Asaf Ferber
Department of Mathematics

Distinguished Faculty Award for Teaching
Professor Michael Dessen
Department of Music

Distinguished Early-Career Faculty Award for Teaching
Assistant Professor Celia Faiola
Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology



Daniel G. Aldrich, Jr. Distinguished University Service Award
Professor Dan Cooper
Department of Pediatrics

Distinguished Mid-Career Faculty Award for Service
Associate Professor Long Bui
Department of Global & International Studies

Distinguished Faculty Award for Mentorship
Professor of Teaching Renee Link
Department of Chemistry

Academic Senate – Better World Award
Chancellor’s Professor Christopher Hughes
Department of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry

The recipients are to be honored at the Distinguished Faculty Awards Event scheduled to take place on March 1, 2023, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Newkirk Alumni Center (or remotely if needed).

II. Committee Membership

Senate Members (voting)

Donald Saari, Social Sciences, Chair
Diane Campbell, Biological Sciences
Tryphon Georgiou, Engineering
Peter Krapp, Humanities
Sandra Irani, ICS

Ex Officio (non-voting)

Pramod Khargonekar, Vice Chancellor of Research
Brian Sato, Associate Dean for the Division of Teaching Excellence and Innovation

Committee Analyst:

Christine Aguilar, SH&A Analyst