



**University Policy Statement
California State University, Fullerton**

UPS 293.000

THE CAROL BARNES EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AWARD

The Carol Barnes Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award is designed to acknowledge publicly faculty who demonstrate academic rigor in teaching consistent with the University Mission and Goals and the mission of the CSU. The individual selected each year shall be honored by the President at the mini-commencement where students are graduating from the department in which the Barnes' honoree has tenure or is tenure-track. The recipient's name will be engraved on a permanent plaque.

ELIGIBILITY

All full-time tenure and tenure-track faculty members are eligible.

NOMINATIONS

- a. A request for nominations for this award shall be initiated by the Chair of the Academic Senate during the month of January.
- b. Nominations for this award may be made by a tenure or tenure-track faculty member.
- c. Deadline for nominations shall be the second Monday of February.
- d. Only one candidate may be nominated by any individual in each cycle.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Each individual nominee for this award shall be notified by the Chair of the Academic Senate during the second week of February and invited to submit by the first Monday of March an application that shall include a vitae and a narrative, not to exceed 2500 words, which contains evidence of excellence in teaching. The application must include five letters of support. One letter must be from his/her Department/Program Chair. An appendix presenting evidence of excellence in teaching must be presented with the application.

CRITERIA

- a. Excellence in teaching shall be determined by considerations of the academic rigor, scope of the work, and creativity of the teaching, not by simply measuring average student ratings of instruction or number of different courses taught.
- b. A nominee is expected to have a sustained record of superior teaching across multiple terms.
- c. Nominees shall have contributed to a collegial focus on teaching excellence through their work on committees, in curriculum development efforts, and/or mentoring of colleagues.
- d. The nominee's record of excellence in teaching to be evaluated shall have been accomplished while a faculty member of this University.
- e. Candidates shall provide a maximum of ten items as evidence of their teaching excellence. For example, candidates may include documentation such as course syllabi; exams and tests; teaching materials such as electronic presentations, media, compilations of course materials; assignments including written assignments; peer observation and comments on teaching; and curriculum/degree development efforts.

EVALUATION PROCESS

Candidates will be evaluated by the Outstanding Professor Committee. Faculty members who have received this award will be invited to serve on the committee. The committee shall recommend one candidate to the President by the first Monday of April.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 12, 2006
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