Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee Fall 2012 Report

The Distinguished Scholarship Awards (DSA) Committee met once in fall quarter (October 8). The committee had two goals this quarter: to establish a timeline for nominations and for the solicitation, receipt and evaluation of materials from eligible nominees in order to select the two awardees for 2012-13; and to set the process in motion according to that timeline. Both these goals were met. This year the committee had a full complement, with William Hendricks serving to represent CAFES, and Don Choi representing CAED, and ASI adding its representative in November.

With the help of the Academic Senate Office, and through the personal outreach of DSA committee members, 80 total nominations were received. 7 nominees received more than 1 nomination, while 28 nominations failed to address the criteria sufficiently to merit further consideration. Excluding duplicates, a list of the remaining 38 unique nominees was submitted to Academic Personnel to determine eligibility according to the required parameters of length and intensity of employment. 35 eligible candidates were solicited for short statements and short curriculum vitas. All submitted materials were made available to the members of the committee on Dec 7th so they might commence the first round of review over the quarter break.

In winter quarter the committee will select finalists from the original nominations, solicit more extensive materials from the finalists, and begin evaluation to select the two awardees for 2012-13.

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