Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee Fall 2013 Report

The Distinguished Scholarship Awards (DSA) Committee met once in fall quarter (October 3). The committee membership had a full complement and worked towards three goals this quarter: 1) 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 2013-14; 2) set that process in motion according to that timeline; and 3) submit a resolution to the Provost and the Academic Senate increasing the number of annual awards from two to three beginning in AY 14-15. All of these goals were met, with the resolution being passed by the Academic Senate on November 19.

With the help of the Academic Senate Office, and through the personal outreach of DSA committee members, 72 total nominations were received. 15 nominations represented multiple nominations for 7 nominees. Excluding duplicates and nominations that did not meet the Award criteria or eligibility requirements, 50 candidates were solicited for short statements and short curriculum vitas to be due by Dec 6, so the committee can 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 2013-14.

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