

## **Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee Winter 2014 Report**

The Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee completed its main charge for the year in winter quarter 2014: selecting two awardees from the nominations solicited in fall 2013 and notifying the president with our recommendations.

The committee met twice in winter quarter: January 10 and February 18.

At the January 10 meeting the committee selected finalists from the original pool of nominees who had been solicited for initial materials, and chose a timeline for soliciting and reviewing finalist materials.

During the February 18 meeting the committee deliberated on the merits of the finalists, and selected two awardees. On February 24, the chair sent a letter recommending the awardees to the president, cc-ing the Academic Senate Office.

Unusually this year, due to the unanticipated unavailability of last year's two awardees, the belated Interdisciplinary Colloquium was held on Tuesday, February 4, in the Performing Arts Center Lobby. In addition to interested faculty from across the campus, many DSA committee members also attended. The committee is working closely with members of the provost's staff to select a venue and provide further promotion for the upcoming Award event in May.

During this quarter the committee also authored minor revisions to the committee procedures that reflect the increase of the number of awards from two to three as per AS -772-13, and the change in committee make-up due to recent, high-level administrative changes at the level of Research and Graduate Education. It is hoped these can be reviewed and accepted by the Academic Senate Executive Committee in Spring 2014.

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