

## **Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee Spring 2015 Report**

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In winter quarter 2015, the Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee completed its review of the DSA nominees and recommended three candidates to the President's Office for the award (Wyatt Brown, Horticulture & Crop Science; Philip Costanzo, Chemistry and Biochemistry; and Lars Tomanek, Biological Sciences).

For spring quarter, the DSA Committee worked on two tasks: revising the DSA guidelines and criteria; and beginning preparation for the DSA Colloquium to be held in fall 2015. The committee did not meet during spring quarter, communicating by email instead.

The committee finalized new guidelines and criteria for the DSA, and submitted them as part of a resolution to the Academic Senate Executive Committee. With no objections from the Executive Committee, the resolution proceeded to a first reading in the Academic Senate. At the first reading, there were no comments or objections, so the resolution was placed on the agenda for a second reading at the final Academic Senate meeting of the year on June 2. Unfortunately, the committee chair was forced to miss this meeting because of a last-minute development, so no one was able to speak to the resolution. It has been placed on the agenda for the first Academic Senate Executive Committee meeting for fall 2015.

Preparation for the Distinguished Scholarship Awards Colloquium, which is hosted by the Provost's Office, is underway. Although this event usually is held in the spring quarter, the Provost's Office decided to move it to fall this year; it is scheduled for Wednesday, September 30, in the Advanced Technology Labs.

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