



AUSTRALIAN AWARDS
FOR UNIVERSITY TEACHING

NEWSLETTER #1

7 APRIL 2020

Welcome to 2020 AAUT

Dear Colleagues,

We have entered unprecedented times.

The Government recently announced the closure of non-essential services with the intent of these measures to stem the spread of COVID-19.

Nevertheless, the government recognises the vital role of universities in our communities: educating our students, developing the workforce for the future, and continuing to develop new knowledge through our research.

Although, universities are being drastically affected by the global situation, many have rapidly transitioned their delivery to learning online, making significant adjustments to how they conduct their teaching and research.

To recognise the extraordinary work of our academics who are making major adjustments to their courses and taking on tasks beyond normal duties, Universities Australia (UA) have decided to continue to offer its awards scheme in 2020. This will ensure that the incredible efforts of our academics will not go unnoticed.

We acknowledge the difficult circumstances the sector is facing, but encourage you to support your academics to reflect on their creativity, innovation and leadership under this period of uncertainty.

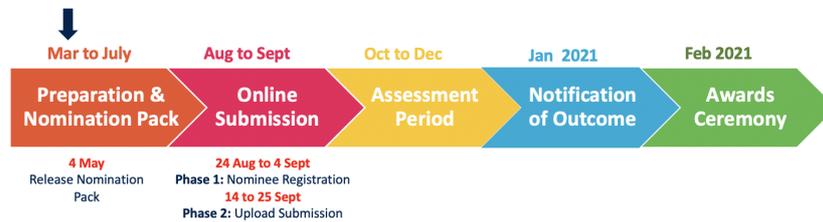
We appreciated your institution's continuous support for this prestigious award to recognise the outstanding efforts of in learning and teaching.

We look forward to receiving your institution's nominations.

Stay home, stay safe!

Professor Angela Carbone
AAUT Awards Team Director





NOTE: The submission dates were delayed by two weeks to ensure academics can have enough time to frame an application.

Click [here](#) for the 2020 AAUT Key dates.

AAUT UPDATE

2019 AAUT Nominees' Feedback

All 2019 AAUT official letters and individual feedback were emailed to all respective institution ICO for distribution to the nominees. Please contact the awards team if you have not received it.

2019 AAUT Assessment Report



The Assessment report is divided into two sections: Section one comprises of assessment summary, general comments from assessors and awards committees on nominations and key recommendations to the sector. And section two contains the summary of the awards nomination and outcome.

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2019 AAUT Evaluation Results Summary



Thanks to everyone who completed the evaluation survey for 2019. Your feedback has been invaluable and we are working hard to improve the scheme based on your suggestions.

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AAUT State-based Ceremony

Western Australia: Hosted by The University of Western Australia

[View WA Ceremony photos](#)

Please note: Due to the escalation of the Covid-19 situation, the events listed below are now postponed/cancelled until further notice.

- **New South Wales/Australian Capital Territory:** Australian Catholic University regrets that this event is now cancelled. Citation certificate will be sent to their ICO later on.
- **South Australia/Northern Territory:** Host by SANTPEN (South Australia and Northern Territory Promoting Excellence Network)
- **Queensland:** Host by The University of Queensland
- **Victoria/Tasmania:** Host by Swinburne University of Technology

2019 AAUT Teacher of the Year: The Psychology of Criminal Justice



From left: Mike Lansing (General Manager of UniBank), Associate Professor Blake McKimmie (The University of Queensland), Professor Barbara Masser (The University of Queensland) and Professor Deborah Terry AD (Chair of Universities Australia). Photo: Damian McDonald/Eventry.

UQ School of Psychology Professor [Blake McKimmie](#), Professor [Barbara Masser](#) and Professor [Mark Horswill](#) transforms student learning by using a novel dramatic narrative to engage and motivate students to engage in evidence-based learning practices throughout the semester.



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AAUT Resources



UA-AAUT website
We are currently updating the website.

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See [here](#) for the updated ICO list. Please let us know of changes.

2020 AAUT OVERVIEW

The Australian Awards for University Teaching (AAUT) were established in 1997 by the Australian Government to celebrate and reward excellence in university teaching and has been administered by Universities Australia since 2018.

2020 TIMELINE

- MAR - JUL** Preparation for Submission
- 4 MAY** Award Announcement
- AUG - SEP** Online submission
- OCT - DEC** Assessment Period
- JAN 2021** Notification of Outcomes
- FEB 2021** Award Ceremony

AWARD TYPES

- Citation:** A similar scale award that recognize and reward the diversity of contributions made by individuals and teams to the quality of student learning.
- Outstanding Teaching Excellence:** Recognize teaching programs or services that make innovative and outstanding contributions to student learning and/or the quality of the student experience.
- Teaching Awards:** Recognize Australia's most outstanding university teachers or teaching teams who have demonstrated leadership, leadership and sustained commitment to teaching and learning in higher education.
- University Teacher of the Year:** Awarded to one Teaching Award recipient, who has an exceptional record of advancing student learning, excellence leadership and industry contribution to learning and teaching.

HOW TO NOMINATE

Each university is required to prepare a submission consisting of a written statement and relevant supporting documentation. This submission is referred to as 'Nomination'. Once completed, the Individual Contact Officer (ICO) is responsible for the online submission of all nominations for their institution (ICOs are a good point of contact if you are interested in applying for an Award. Details of your ICO can be found here).

ICO DUTIES

- Monday 4 - May: Nomination Information Pack released
- Monday 2nd Aug to Friday 4th Sept: Phase 1: Registration of nominator's details
- Monday 7th Sept to Friday 25th Sept: Phase 2: Unpaid submission online

REGISTRATION OF YOUR SUBMISSION

- Nomination Form
- Claims Approval Assessment Criteria
- Curriculum Vitae (CV) - Teaching Awards Only
- Teach Statement of Contributions - For Teach Nomination Only
- Teach Letters of Reference
- Supporting Materials - Program and Teaching Awards Only
- Digital Photograph

2020 AAUT Nomination Pack (coming soon)

AAUT's Award Selection Criteria is available to assist in nomination preparation. Call us on 1800 7 2018 Australian University Teachers of the Year (AAUTY) booklet. Award Year: aautevents.org.au

CONTACT DETAILS

Award Year: aautevents.org.au

Award Types	Competition	No. of entries	Max submissions per institution	Prize money
1. Citation for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning (Citation)	4	Up to 100	5	N/A
2. Awards for Programs that Enhance Learning (Program Awards)	8	Up to 5	2	TBC
3. Awards for Teaching Excellence (Teaching Awards)	7	Up to 7	3	TBC
4. Award for Australian University Teacher of the Year	N/A	1	N/A	TBC



Learning and Teaching Repository

It contains a collection of higher education learning and teaching materials flowing from projects funded by the Australian Government from 1994 to 2018.

2020 AAUT Brochure
Use the AAUT brochure to promote the awards in your institution. Click on the image to download.

SUGGESTIONS ON WRITING A SUCCESSFUL AWARD APPLICATION

When you are applying for an award, you should be aware of the following suggestions:

- 1. Preparation:**
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Tips on writing a successful award application

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