AAUT Awards Team Director

Dear Colleagues,

I am thrilled with the support we have received from the community this month. The rise in numbers of attendees at our briefing sessions reiterate the value of the AAUT awards and the interest that Teaching and Learning academics and researchers have in applying for awards this year.

For example, there were over 120 attendees for the 'Creating Winning Applications' session. If you missed this or any of the other briefings, videos, slides and a creating winning applications checklist are provided under Resources For Nominees section on AAUT-UA website.

We are hopeful that the rise in attendance is translated into an increase in the number of high quality applications for Teaching Awards, Program Awards and Citations.

I would like to extend my thanks the PVCs Indigenous and DVCAs for sending through the names of potential Neville Bonner Award nominees’ details. There have been 28 nominees registered across 18 institutions. We have also connected all nominees with a suggested mentor who is a previous AAUT award winner, to assist in the writing, finalising and finessing of their award applications. With this rise in interest in the awards we are reasonably sure that we will need a bigger pool of Assessors, so we have commenced recruitment and we are also setting up a new indigenous assessment panel for the Neville Bonner Award. See the Assessor Recruitment section below.

I remain committed to the AAUT awards program and hold hope that the DVCAC Committee Chairman will find a way of continuing these awards. Many academics in many institutions have benefited from receiving a Citation or Award since their inception in the mid 1990s. In analysing the Teacher of the Year Awards over this time, it is interesting to note that this award has gone to academics from Queensland (11) almost twice as often as from any other state (17), with the University of Queensland academics receiving this award 5 times! There have been 6 Teachers of the Year in South Australian universities, 4 from New South Wales and only 3 or less from each of the other states. I am not sure why the southern states are falling behind, and in the spirit of geographical balance I encourage DVCAs from all institutions to promote the award widely. Recipients of the awards can help build a culture of excellence in teaching and learning, as they appear to be doing in Queensland.

Professor Angela Carbone
AAUT Awards Team Director

For regular updates about the AAUT awards
Follow Angela Carbone
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AAUT Channel
Note: Awards Team is currently working from home, please email us and we’ll get back to you.
Key Dates
Monday 16 to Friday 27 August: Registration of nominee's details
Monday 6 to Friday 17 September: Upload submission online
Click here for the 2021 AAUT Key dates.

AAUT Briefing Sessions

These sessions were well received by the participants. Some comments below:

- "A very information-packed session for both potential applicants and university-ICOs and ADTLs."
- "Thank you to the panel, and to you, Angela. Also, thanks to Angeline and team."
- "Thank you everyone for sharing your valuable insights."
- "This has been both informative and entertaining - thank you."
- "Thank you Shelley and Angela very informative! so great to have these sessions."
- "The session has been most enlightening. Thank you so much."

If you have missed any of the sessions, check out the recordings. We encourage all nominees applying to watch these briefing sessions that are a best fit for their own application, regardless of discipline. They are a unique source of information and will help applicants craft a concise and focused submission.

Our final briefing session is on 'Applying for the Neville Bonner Award for Indigenous Education' (Thursday, 8 July 11.30am to 12.30pm AEST). The meeting details have now been sent to all ICOs (for dissemination to any potential applicants in your institution) and potential Neville Bonner nominees.

ICOs Network

We encourage ICOs to build their network and collaborate with their colleagues from different institutions. In the ICOs Cuppa session, it was great to see the willingness to share knowledge and exchange of information.
We welcome Professor Elizabeth Johnson as the Chair of the Citation Awards Committee. Together with Professor David Sadler (Chair of the Program Awards) and Professor Pip Pattison (Chair of the Teaching Awards), they will be leading their committee in providing recommendations and endorsement of award recipients to the Universities Australia Board.

Assessor Recruitment

The assessor recruitment is under way. Your institution DVCA has received an invite to recommend up to 10 potential assessors.

As the recommendation list may vary from year to year, we encourage your institution to provide the names for this year (previously recommended and new recommendation); and if possible to include some Indigenous assessors recommendation for the new Neville Bonner Award assessment panel.

If you are interested in being involved, please contact your DVCA office by Wednesday 14 July 2021.

2020 Australian University Teacher of Year Acceptance Video

Watch Associate Professor Jack Wang’s acceptance video speech at the 2021 UA Conference.

State-Based Ceremony Update

Check out the WA, SA and QLD Ceremony photos; and the NSW/ACT Ceremony video link. Due to the recent lockdown in Melbourne, the VIC/TAS state based ceremony is now a virtual event.

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(Joint ceremony for 2019 and 2020 recipients)
Universities Australia has mailed out the 2019/2020 certificates and Awards Ceremony booklets to the respective ICOs for dissemination. Certificates and booklets to the recipients and booklets to the VC, DVCA and L&T office.

Promotional Resources

We encourage institutions to use the AAUT promotional resources to promote the awards internally.

- AAUT Brochures
  - AAUT Overview
  - Citations Categories
  - Program Awards Categories
  - Teaching Awards Categories
  - 2021 AAUT Neville Bonner Award for Indigenous Education
- 2020 AAUT Video Series
- 2020 UA Recipients Announcement video
- 2020 AAUT Recipients List
- 1997–2018 Teachers of the Year booklet
- AAUT Video Series
  - 2018 Early Career Teaching Award Recipient - Associate Professor Christian Moro. Read the Transcript
  - 2019 Early Career Teaching Award Recipient - Dr Demelze Ireland. Read the Transcript
  - 2018 Neville Bonner Award Recipient - Professor Susan Page. Read the Transcript

Click on the images for details

AAUT-UA website

Institutional Contact Officer (ICO)

Learning and Teaching Repository

Micro Credentials Spotlight

Good forms of evidence examples
Tips to writing a successful application

Creating Winning Applications – Presentation Slides

Creating Winning Applications – Checklist Handout

AAUTN Mentor Scheme