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SUBJECT: Proposed Policy Deletion: Selection Committee for Innovative Instruction Awards, Faculty Handbook, Chapter II

The Innovative Instruction Awards have not been granted in several years. We have existing policy that covers Outstanding Professor Awards, Outstanding Lecturer Awards, the Presidential Distinguished Professor Awards, and External Awards (such as the Wang Family Awards). Since this award appears to have been replaced by one or more of these other awards, and since this committee has not met for several years to grant an award, we recommend this policy be removed from the Faculty Handbook.

Selection Committee for Innovative Instruction Awards

(Senate: 6/25/96; President: 10/7/96; Editorial Amendment: 9/00; 09/03)

Charge. The Selection Committee for Innovative Instruction Awards, convened annually by the Chair of the Academic Senate and the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, reviews proposals, makes awards, and ranks alternates based on criteria established by the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate in consultation with the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Awards shall be announced to applicants before the end of the spring quarter.

The record of applications and awards for each cycle will be kept in the Center for Effective Teaching and Learning.

Members of the Innovative Instruction Awards Selection Committee are ineligible to apply for these awards during their service on the Committee.

The expenditure ceiling will be established annually by the President in consultation with the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and the Chair of the Academic Senate. Subject to approval by the President, unexpended funds for any given year will be rolled over to be used for Innovative Instruction Awards for the following year.

Membership. The membership of this committee shall be composed of the following:

1. Five faculty members from different colleges will be appointed annually during the winter quarter by the Nominations Committee. The term of membership for faculty is one award cycle. Elections will take place in the winter quarter.
2. The Director of the Center for Innovative Excellence in Teaching and Learning who serves ex officio as executive secretary, non-voting.

Quorum. All members of the committee must be present during deliberations and voting.

Officers and Duties.

1. At the first meeting, convened by the Chair of the Academic Senate, the committee shall elect its chair from among committee members.
2. The chair shall call meetings of the committee and set the agenda.
3. The chair shall report the committee's decisions to the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate for review before awards are announced.