Excellence in Stewardship Awards

Call for Nominations
To Our Distinguished UC San Diego Foundation Board Trustees, Faculty, Staff, Alumni and Friends

What drives your relationship with this remarkable university? For many, it’s passion.

Some of us care deeply for the power of education and want to expand access to the educational excellence at UC San Diego. Others may be fascinated with the human capacity to unravel meaningful puzzles, such as the complexities of political relationships, the synergy between individual cells, or the effect of music and language on children. Some of us want to contribute to the impact of UC San Diego on our community, our health and our planet.

Passion for such work is what you honor when you nominate someone for an Exemplary Stewardship Award. It might be someone whose job title may be professor, director or assistant, but it is someone who goes above and beyond to nurture relationships and connect to people who make this great institution greater.

Exemplary stewardship is about taking the extra steps to ensure that donors, volunteers, and corporate or foundation partners know the importance of their investments, and understand that they are appreciated for their involvement with UC San Diego.

Please take time to consider the notable leadership and efforts of faculty, staff members and campus leaders you know. Write and tell us about the meaningful ways they are stewarding our supporters and friends.

Members of the UC San Diego Foundation’s Stewardship Committee will review the submitted materials on each candidate and select a nominee in each category. Winners will be notified in February, and awards will be presented at the UC San Diego Foundation Dinner in June 2017.

Our goal is to achieve the very best practices in continual and consistent donor stewardship. Thank you for joining us.

Sincerely,

Sandra S. Timmons ’81
Chair, Donor Relations and Stewardship Committee
Trustee, UC San Diego Foundation
2016 Excellence in Stewardship Award Winners

Faculty Member or Campus Leadership:
Catriona Jamieson, M.D., Ph.D.
Chief, Division of Regenerative Medicine
Associate Professor, Department of Medicine
Director, Moores Cancer Center Stem Cell Research Program
Deputy Director, Sanford Stem Cell Clinical Center

Staff Members:
Mary Beebe
Director, The Stuart Collection

Lynda Claassen
Director, of Special Collections and Archives
UC San Diego Library
Outline of the Awards

Award Objective and Criteria
The UC San Diego Foundation’s Stewardship Committee oversees an annual Excellence in Stewardship Awards program to promote the outstanding stewardship of our donors. The awards recognize UC San Diego employees who, although their job descriptions may not include donor stewardship, are demonstrating excellent results in engaging with and acknowledging our donors and supporters. When you nominate such an outstanding individual, the Excellence in Stewardship Award encourages and recognizes that employee for exemplary efforts that demonstrate the impact of philanthropy and significantly strengthen a donor’s relationship with the university.

The 2015–16 Excellence in Stewardship Awards recognized faculty member Catriona Jamieson, M.D., Ph.D., for her holistic approach to her patients’ cancer therapies, including listening thoughtfully and empowering their contributions to cancer care and research. Two staff members were recognized last year: Mary Beebe, Director of the Stuart Collection, for nurturing strong relationships that have built a remarkable body of contemporary sculpture across campus; and Lynda Claassen, Director of Special Collections and Archives in the UC San Diego Library, who has built tremendous trust with families that have in turn made the Library a permanent home for culturally priceless artifacts and files.

Our colleagues demonstrate excellence in stewardship through meaningful activities that:

- Demonstrate the impact of a donor’s philanthropy
- Are personalized and meaningful to the donor
- Strengthen the relationship between UC San Diego and the donor
- Are innovative, original and cost-effective
- Show persistence and a long-term commitment to consistent and high-quality stewardship efforts

Who May Nominate
Any UC San Diego employee, UC San Diego Foundation Board Trustee, or campus volunteer who is familiar with the individual may nominate. Individuals may not self-nominate and are not eligible to win more than one award in a five year period. Because this award is intended to recognize employees who are working beyond the scope of their job descriptions to engage and inform our donors, Advancement and University Communications and Public Affairs employees are not eligible.

Award Categories
- Faculty Member or Campus Leadership
- Staff Member
Nomination Form

Nominee Information

Name of Nominee _____________________________________________
Department _________________________________________________
E-mail _______________________________________________________
Phone _______________________________________________________

Please check the award for which you are nominating:

☐ Faculty or Campus Leadership
☐ Staff

Please include the following information in your statement of nomination:

About the Nominee
- Describe and give an example of how this Nominee effectively communicated the impact of a donation or other support to the donor(s). In other words, in what ways did the Nominee convey, “Because of your support, we were able to . . .”
- Describe and give an example of how this Nominee strengthened the relationship between the supporter(s) and UC San Diego.
- Describe the ways in which this Nominee personalized these activities to the donor(s) and/or made them feel more included, engaged and appreciated.
- Explain how this Nominee’s stewardship efforts are innovative, cost-effective and replicable.
- Describe the results or outcomes of these activities (how the donor continued to be engaged, gave another gift, connected another supporter with UC San Diego, etc.).

About You
- Name
- Department or UC San Diego affiliation
- Relationship to Nominee, if any
- Address, e-mail and phone

References
Please list two individuals who support this nomination.
- Reference name, e-mail and phone
- Reference name, e-mail and phone
Submission

Please submit this nomination form and your statement by January 15, 2017, to Christy Bliss, Director of Donor Relations, at cmbliss@ucsd.edu or mail to 9500 Gilman Drive # 0937, La Jolla, CA 92093-0937.