

Excellence in Stewardship Awards

call for nominations 2021



The Campaign For
UC San Diego

tradition

Together, we
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To Our Distinguished UC San Diego Faculty, Staff, Alumni, Volunteers, and Foundation Board Trustees

The UC San Diego community has come together in so many exceptional ways this year to create a safe and healthy home for our students, care for our patients in the fight against a global pandemic, and commit to an environment of inclusion, innovation and the constant pursuit to do and be better.

There are countless people working to make this happen throughout the University, many of whom have also exceeded expectations by maintaining and nurturing the relationships and connections that make this great institution greater. The Excellence in Stewardship Awards are an opportunity for us all to recognize these efforts and accomplishments.

Exemplary stewardship is about going above and beyond, taking the extra steps to ensure that donors, volunteers, and corporate or foundation partners see and feel the impact of their philanthropic investment, as well as our sincere appreciation for their support for UC San Diego.

Please consider the notable leadership and efforts of the faculty and staff members you know, and take a moment to tell us about the meaningful ways in which they are stewarding our friends and helping us realize our goals in research and patient care, innovation, and the success of all our students.

Members of the UC San Diego Foundation's Donor Relations and Stewardship Committee will review the submitted materials for each nominee and will select awardees in the staff and faculty categories.

Thank you for joining us in our ongoing effort to achieve and recognize the very best practices in donor stewardship at UC San Diego.

Sincerely,



Phyllis Epstein
Chair, Donor Relations and Stewardship Committee
Trustee, UC San Diego Foundation

2020 Excellence in Stewardship Award Winners

Faculty:

Dr. Robert Naviaux

Professor of Medicine, Pediatrics, and Pathology
Founder and co-director of the
Mitochondrial and Metabolic Disease Center

Dr. Stuart Sandin

Professor, Marine Biology Research Division
Scripps Institution of Oceanography

Staff:

Edward Abeyta

Associate Dean, UC San Diego Extension
Director, Pre-College Programs

Outline of the Awards

Award Objective and Criteria

The UC San Diego Foundation's Donor Relations and 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 do not include donor stewardship, are demonstrating excellent results in engaging with and acknowledging our supporters. When you nominate such an outstanding individual, the Excellence in Stewardship Award recognizes that employee for exemplary efforts that demonstrate the impact of philanthropy and significantly strengthen donor relationships with the university.

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, high-quality stewardship efforts

Who May Nominate, and Who May Qualify

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 staff, senior administrators (including vice chancellors, deans, and other campus leaders whose job description intrinsically includes the stewardship of donors), and University Communications and Public Affairs employees are not eligible.

Award Categories

- Faculty Member (excluding vice chancellors, deans, or other campus leaders whose job descriptions intrinsically includes the stewardship of donors).
- Staff Member (excluding Advancement staff and other employees whose job description intrinsically includes the stewardship of donors).

Nomination Form

Nominee Information:

Name

Department

E-mail

Phone

Please check the award for which you are nominating:

Faculty

Staff

Please list two references who support this nomination:

1. Name

2. Name

E-mail

E-mail

Phone

Phone

About You:

Name

Department/Affiliation

E-mail

Phone

Address

Relationship to Nominee

Nomination Statement

Please give examples of and describe the following:

- 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 . . .”
- How this nominee strengthened the relationship between the donor(s) and UC San Diego.
- The ways in which this nominee personalized these activities to the donor(s).
- How this nominee’s stewardship efforts are innovative, cost-effective, and replicable.
- The results or outcomes of these activities (how the donor(s) continued to be engaged, gave another gift, connected another supporter to UC San Diego, etc.).

**Please submit your Nomination Form and Statement
by February 5, 2021 to:**

**Christy Bliss, Executive Director of Donor Experience and Engagement
cdbliss@ucsd.edu.**