Annual Report – Distinguished Teaching Award Committee 2009-2010

In Compliance with article 6.1.1 of the Senate Bylaws, please accept this e-mail report as official record of the Distinguished Teaching Award Committee’s activity.

Membership

The Distinguished Teaching Award Committee consisted of the following members:

Daniel Pope
Gina Psaki
Daniel Close
Leah Middlebrook
Linda Kintz
Andrew Moreland
Gwen Steigelman (ex oficio)
Russ Tomlin (ex officio)

Summary of Committee Activities

The committee met in January to review the charge and responsibility of selecting 2009-2010 recipients of the Thomas F. Herman and Ersted Awards. Criteria were reviewed and an announcement was distributed to the university community through electronic mail, notifications to deans and department heads, and advertisements in the Emerald. Deadline for nominations were posted.

All nominations were reviewed for relevance and the deans or department heads of faculty who met nomination eligibility criteria were then notified of the nomination. Deans or department heads constructed nomination files for their respective faulty.

Members of the Distinguished Teaching Award Committee (DTA-C) reviewed all files using the Dean/Dept. Head Letter of Recommendation, Quantitative Summaries of Courses, Curriculum Vita, and Teaching Assignment information. A short list for the Herman and Ersted awards was constructed and respective deans/department heads provided further information including written student comments for committee selected course syllabi.

The DTA Committee reviewed and discussed all final candidates and decided to honor the following individuals with the Herman Award:

Kenneth Calhoon
Mark T. Unno
Richard Philip Taylor