

## AWARDS FOR UNIVERSITY TEACHING NEWSLETTER #2

Since the formal announcement about the return of the 2018 Australian Awards for University Teaching (AAUT) at the end of August 18, we have received many queries. Here in this issue, we are addressing the following:

- I. UA is funded to run the AAUT until 2021
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I: The Commonwealth Government has provided Universities Australia (UA) with some funding to run the Australian Awards for University Teaching (AAUT) each year until 2021.

### II: 2018 AAUT Awards Information Summary

Award Types	Categories	No. of Awards per Category	No. of Awards	Max Submissions per Institution	Prize Money	Key Changes
1. Citations for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning (Citations)	4	15	Up to 60	6	NIL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Recipients of Citations will receive a certificate.</li> <li>▪ Ceremonies will be at the discretion of the recipients' institution.</li> <li>▪ Maximum <i>three citations</i> will be awarded to each participating institution.</li> </ul>
2. Awards for Program that Enhance Learning (Program Awards)	6	1	6	2	NIL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Recipients of Program Awards will receive a certificate .</li> <li>▪ Ceremonies will be at the discretion of the recipients' institution.</li> </ul>
3. Awards for Teaching Excellence (Teaching Awards)	7	1	7	3	TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Award recipients will be announced at the UA Higher Education Conference on 27 Feb to 1 Mar 19.</li> </ul>
4. Award for Australian University Teacher of the Year	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Award recipient will be announced at the UA Higher Education Conference on 27 Feb to 1 Mar 19</li> </ul>

This year, all award categories will remain unchanged along with the assessment criteria.

#### 1. Citations for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning (Citations)

Citations for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning recognise and reward the diverse contributions made by individuals and teams to the quality of student learning.

In 2018, up to 60 Citations will be granted, including the Early Career category.

Maximum of six Citation submissions per institution across all categories.

Please note that no more than three Citations will be awarded to each participating institution.

## **2. Awards for Programs that Enhance Learning (Program Awards)**

Awards for Programs that Enhance Learning recognise learning and teaching support programs and services that make an outstanding contribution to the quality of student learning and the quality of the student experience of higher education.

The six categories for 2018 Programs that Enhance Learning are:

- Widening participation
- Educational partnerships and collaborations with other organisations
- Innovation in curriculum design and pedagogy practice
- Postgraduate education
- Student experiences and learning support services
- Global citizenship and internationalisation

In 2018, six Program Awards will be granted across all categories, and there will be one Award per category.

Maximum of two Program Awards submissions per institution across all categories.

## **3. Awards for Teaching Excellence (Teaching Awards)**

Teaching Awards celebrate a group of the nation's most outstanding university teachers in their fields. Teaching Awards give recognition to teachers (individuals and teams) renowned for the excellence of their teaching, who have outstanding presentation skills and who have made a broad and deep contribution to enhancing the quality of learning and teaching in higher education.

The seven categories for 2018 Awards for Teaching Excellence are:

- Biological Sciences, Health and Related Studies (including Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, Medical Sciences and Nursing, etc.)
- Early Career (for teachers less than five years cumulative experience teaching in higher education institutions)
- Humanities and the Arts
- Law, Economics, Business and Related Studies
- Neville Bonner Award for Indigenous Education (individuals who must demonstrate their contribution to Indigenous education; Indigenous and non-Indigenous teaches may nominate)
- Physical Sciences and Related Studies (including Architecture, Building and Planning, Engineering, Computing and Information Science)
- Social and Behavioural Sciences (including Psychology and Education)

In 2018, seven Teaching Awards will be granted across all categories, and there will be one Award per category.

Maximum of three Teaching Awards submissions per institution across all categories.

## **4. Award for Australian University Teacher of the Year**

The Award for Australian University Teacher of the Year is the premier university teaching award and is presented to one of the recipients of the Awards for Teaching Excellence. The award is made to an academic with an exceptional record of advancing student learning, educational leadership and scholarly contribution to teaching and learning. The recipient is selected from among those who have received an Award for Teaching Excellence in the same year.

### III: 2018 Nomination Process Outline



More information on the nomination process will be provided in October.

#### IV: Extension of online submission closing date

Due to numerous requests for online submission date extension, the closing date is now changed from Sunday, 9 Dec to **Monday, 10 Dec at 11.59pm**. Please note that no late submission is accepted.

#### V: AAUT-UA website coming soon

There will be a new AAUT- UA website coming soon.

#### VI: Next 2018 AAUT issue#3 (Beginning October 18)

- 2018 AAUT Program Information coming soon in October
- 2018 AAUT Nomination Process coming soon in October
- Introduce AAUT- UA website link
- Introduce AAUTN website [aautn.org](http://aautn.org)
- Introduce AAUTN mentor support

Please send your queries to [aaut@swin.edu.au](mailto:aaut@swin.edu.au)

Regards,  
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