



AUSTRALIAN AWARDS
FOR UNIVERSITY TEACHING

2022 AAUT PD SESSION: WRITING A SUCCESSFUL TEACHING AWARD APPLICATION

Host by:

Prof. Angela Carbone, RMIT University

Guest Speakers:

Prof. Pip Pattison, University of Sydney

Dr Diana Tolmie, Griffith University

Dr Bonnie McBain, University of Newcastle

30 June 2022

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY



On behalf of those present, I acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we now meet. I pay my respects to their Elders: past, present and emerging.

I also pay my respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of Australia and hope that the path towards reconciliation continues to be shared and embraced.

AAUT AWARDS TEAM



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AGENDA

Welcome & Purpose

Guest presenters:

- Prof. Pip Pattison, University of Sydney
- Dr Diana Tolmie, Griffith University
- Dr Bonnie McBain, University of Newcastle

Nomination key dates

Q&A



GUEST PANALISTS



Prof. Pip Pattison

Teaching Awards Committee Chair
University of Sydney



Dr Diana Tolmie

2021 Teaching Award recipient
Griffith University



Dr Bonnie McBain

2021 Teaching Award recipient
University of Newcastle

2021 TEACHING AWARD COMMITTEE CHAIR



Professor Pip Pattison
University of Sydney



KEY FACTORS FOR A SUCCESSFUL TEACHING AWARD APPLICATION



A coherent narrative that:

- Captures *you* and your contribution as an outstanding educator – your philosophy, your aspirations, your approach to reflection and learning, your achievements
- Addresses *all* of the subcategories well and with compelling evidence against each assessment criterion
- Demonstrates *sustained* commitment and excellence

TIPS FOR SUCCESS



- Start early on honing your reflection/feedback approach
- Gain experience, success with internal award programs
- Reflect early and openly, and start writing early
- Use the process for other purposes (future teaching plans, promotion, this and other awards, scholarly contributions)
- Seek feedback, support, mentoring through your ICO and from colleagues – they will be thrilled to help

TEACHING AWARD CATEGORIES



Discipline Categories

- Natural and Physical Science, Agriculture, Environmental and Related Studies
- Engineering, Information Technology, Architecture and Building
- Health
- Education
- Business, Management and Commerce
- Society and Culture
- Creative Arts

Nomination Categories

- Early Career
- Neville Bonner Award for Indigenous Education

**Up to nine AAUT
Awards for Teaching
Excellence**



**One award for
Australian University
Teacher of the Year**

TEACHING AWARD SUBCATEGORIES



Address all four subcategories:

- Approaches to teaching and/or the support of learning that influence, motivate and inspire students to learn.
- Development of curricula, resources or services that reflect a command of the field.
- Effective assessment practices that bring about improvements in student teaching, focus on academic integrity or digital solutions, or any assessment strategies that bring about change.
- Innovation or leadership that has influenced and enhanced learning and teaching and/or the student experience.

TEACHING AWARD ASSESSMENT CRITERIA



- A. Positively impacted on student learning, student engagement or the overall student experience for a period of no less than three years.
- B. Gained recognition from colleagues, the institution, and/or the broader community.
- C. Shown creativity, imagination and/or innovation.
- D. Drawn on the scholarly literature on teaching and learning to inform the development of initiatives, programs and/or practice.

EFFECTIVELY ADDRESSING ASSESSMENT CRITERIA, I



- It may help in preparing your narrative to summarise what evidence you *could* provide for each subcategory and assessment criterion
- Evidence is most compelling when it:
 - is consistent, coherent and aligned with the narrative
 - Is drawn from multiple and, ideally, some independent sources
 - provides an accurate view that collectively covers all of the assessment criteria for each subcategory

EFFECTIVELY ADDRESSING ASSESSMENT CRITERIA, II



- Graphs can be succinct and compelling
- A mix of quantitative and qualitative often works well
- Some applications are weaker on subcategory D (“drawing on scholarly literature”) – address *all*
- Seek feedback from colleagues

FINAL THINGS TO BE AWARE OF



- Panels attend to the coherence of narrative and evidence
- Success often comes on a second or later attempt
- Most applicants – including you – ARE excellent teachers: the challenge is to communicate excellence in 8 pages!
- The resources on the AAUT website are excellent
- The process has been honed over some years by the AAUT Awards Team and now yields a high consistency of judgment

Good Luck!



ANY
QUESTIONS



GUEST PANALISTS: 2021 TEACHING AWARD RECIPIENTS



- Share your experience in preparing a teaching award application
- Overcome any challenges
- Tips for writing a successful teaching award
- Words of wisdom



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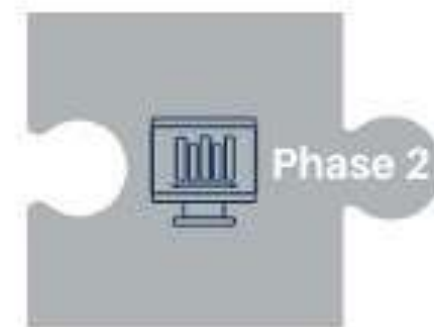
NOMINATION PROCESS/KEY DATES



ICO Account ID
Awards Portal
Nomination Instructions
Friday 12 Aug



**Nominee
Registration**
Open: Monday 15 Aug
8.00am AEST
**Close: Friday 26 Aug
11.59pm AEST**



**Submission
Upload**
Open: Monday 5 Sept
8.00am AEST
**Close: Friday 16 Sept
11.59pm AEST**

2022 AAUT BRIEFING/ PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS (APRIL to JULY)



28 APR

Introduction to Neville Bonner Award for Indigenous Education

5 MAY

Institutional Contact Officers (ICOs) Briefing Session

19 MAY

Meet the 2018 to 2021 Australian University Teacher of the Year recipients

2 JUN

Writing a successful AAUT Citation application

16 JUN

Writing a successful AAUT Program Award application

30 JUN

Writing a successful AAUT Teaching Award application

14 JUL

Applying for a Neville Bonner Award for Indigenous Education

28 JUL

Applying for an Early Career application

Q&A



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