

David Geffen School of Medicine Faculty Awards

The coveted **Sherman M. Mellinkoff Faculty Award** is bestowed annually upon a faculty member whose teaching exemplifies the art of medicine and the finest in doctor-patient relationships. The solicitation for this award begins in February and official presentation is given at the Hippocratic Oath Ceremony.

The **Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award**, presented by the Arnold P. Gold Foundation, is bestowed annually upon a junior faculty member who exemplifies outstanding humanism in medicine, along with scientific excellence. The awardee receives a monetary prize. The solicitation for this award begins in February and official presentation is given at the White Coat Ceremony.

Excellence in Education and the Serge & Yvette Dadone Clinical Teaching Award in Honor of Saleh Salehmoghaddam, M.D. (both awards hold their reception in May)

These peer-reviewed awards were established to recognize outstanding dedication, innovation, and sustained excellence in clinical and classroom teaching. The recipients have distinguished themselves as exceptional educators. The David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA is particularly pleased and grateful for their contributions. We could not be successful without the enthusiastic devotion to our most basic responsibility – the education of future physicians.

The **Excellence in Education Award** is focused on medical student education and designed for faculty who meet at least three of the following four criteria:

- Carried an exceptional teaching load, including medical school teaching, with sustained excellence over the years
- Created educational innovations
- Managed an educational component with skill, innovation, enthusiasm, and success
- Played a key role in interdepartmental educational activities

The awardee receives a monetary prize.

The **Serge & Yvette Dadone Clinical Teaching Award in Honor of Saleh Salehmoghaddam, M.D.** is focused on medical student and resident teaching in the clinical setting, and designated for associate or full professors in any series who meet three of the following four criteria:

- Carried an exceptional clinical teaching load for students and/or residents
- Sustained excellence as a clinical teacher, with at least 10 years on faculty at UCLA
- Demonstrated evidence of a scholarly approach to clinical teaching and clinical work
- Noted by peers for the value of his/her clinical teaching and clinical care

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The **Lucien B. Guze Golden Apple Awards for Excellence in Teaching** are given out each year to two pre-clinical and two clinical faculty members. The recipients are selected by the second-year and fourth-year medical students and the awards are presented to the faculty at the medical student banquets.

The **John H. Walsh Young Investigator Research Prize** is awarded every three years to a young investigator for outstanding research accomplishment and includes a monetary prize. A lecture by the same name is given by the recipient.

Solicitation for nominations for these awards (except the Golden Apple Awards) is distributed by email at the appropriate times. Nominate a colleague or have someone nominate you!