



**MEMORANDUM**

**Date:** February 14, 2020

**To:** USC Faculty

**Cc:** Academic Senate Executive Board Members

**From:** Professor Julie Nyquist, Chair  
USC Academic Senate Award Committee

**Subject:** **Reminder:** Call for Nominations: Distinguished Faculty Service and Walter Wolf Awards

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Dear Colleagues,

The purpose of the Distinguished Faculty Service Award is to honor faculty service to the University that is beyond normal research, administrative, clinical and teaching responsibilities. The nominee must have contributed by service to the Senate or other university initiatives in relation to faculty governance in some exceptional manner. These contributions could include leadership on a Senate Committee, Joint-Appointed University Committee, or on a school Faculty Council.

The Walter Wolf Award is to be bestowed on a USC faculty member for defense and advocacy of academic freedom or for other manifestations of social conscience, through distinguished faculty service, teaching, and scholarship or activity as a public intellectual.

Nominations can be initiated by any member of the Faculty Assembly (full-time tenure- and non-tenure-track faculty and full-time librarians) and can be supported by other faculty or staff members. Nominations can be submitted via email and should include:

- Name and title of individual making the nomination and how you know the nominee
- Name and title of individual being nominated; faculty and administrative title, if relevant
- Bullet listing of university service that includes Senate work, University initiatives, or faculty governance contributions
- Explanation of reasons that the service is distinguished and deserving of recognition for the Distinguished Faculty Service Award; explanation of reasons that the nominee's record of defense of academic freedom (or other manifestation of social conscience) is deserving of the Walter Wolf Award.

A list of previous awardees can be found on the Academic Senate website at:

<https://academicsenate.usc.edu/files/2019/05/Distinguished-Faculty-Service-Awardees-as-of-May-2019.pdf>

Emails should be sent to the chair of the task force, Julie Nyquist (nyquist@usc.edu) and copied to Connie Roque (croque@usc.edu). We must receive your nomination and full documentation by 5pm on March 2, 2020 in order for the task force to consider your nomination.

These awards will be presented at the Senate meeting on the afternoon of May 10. Please remember: it is in your interest to honor those who have provided extraordinary service on your behalf!

Call for Nominations: Distinguished Faculty Service and Walter Wolf Awards

Thank you in advance for your thoughtful suggestions.

Sincerely,

Julie Nyquist  
Chair, Senate Awards Committee  
Keck School

Members:  
Alex Capron, Gould and Keck Schools  
Ginger Clark, Rossier School and CET Department  
Robert Labaree, USC Libraries  
Jessica Parr, Dornsife College