2023 Gold Shield Faculty Prize
At-a-Glance

About the Prize
The Faculty Prize, offered by Gold Shield Alumnae of UCLA, provides an unrestricted $30,000 award each year to an exceptional mid-career full professor who has a distinguished record of undergraduate teaching, research, and university service.

Who is Eligible
In 2023, the recipient will be selected from south campus disciplines (College of Letters and Sciences: Life Sciences and Physical Sciences Divisions, Fielding School of Public Health, School of Nursing, Samueli School of Engineering).

- Nominees must hold the rank of Full Professor and must have held that academic title for at least one year. He/she/they may currently teach students at the graduate or undergraduate level.
- Preference will be given to nominees who are in the middle years of their academic careers, typically Professor Step I through V, inclusively.
- Preference will be given to nominees who have received a terminal degree in their field at least 10 years prior to being nominated for the Faculty Prize.
- Exceptions to the preferred criteria may be considered in view of the increased diversity among UCLA Faculty.
- Self-nominations are not accepted.

Nomination Requirements
1. NOMINATION LETTER
   A letter no longer than five pages from a department or university colleague that describes what makes the candidate’s teaching, research, and creative activity truly outstanding.

2. CURRICULUM VITAE
   A concise presentation of the nominee’s degrees earned, career advancement, teaching experience, other teaching awards, publications, service, and other creative work. Priority should be given to activities, achievements and service that focus on undergraduate education.

3. SUMMARY OF PROFESSOR’S TEACHING RECORD
   A summary of course titles, years taught, approximate enrollment, and student evaluations for the last five years. Please include numerical ratings for the nominee along with average department ratings for comparison.

4. STUDENT COMMENTS
   Please provide student commentary for no more than the last five undergraduate courses taught. Student comments are given substantial weight in the evaluation process.

5. LETTERS OF SUPPORT
   Please provide no fewer than three and no more than five letters of support
written by faculty who are in the nominee’s field and/or are familiar with his/her/their field of work. While other letters also may be submitted, letters from faculty colleagues will carry the greatest weight in the evaluation process. The letters should discuss the professor’s success in, and dedication to teaching and research and give specific examples of how the nominee fulfills the criteria for the Faculty Prize.

Award Timeline
- The nominating period opens on November 30, 2022, and nominations will be accepted until **January 31, 2023, at 5:00 pm. All nominations must be digital and submitted via email; paper nominations will not be accepted.**
- One recipient of the Faculty Prize will be selected by April 30, 2023
- The Faculty Prize recipient will be announced in May 2023
- $30,000 award will be distributed in two annual installments of $15,000 (one following the prize announcement and the second in the subsequent year)
- The recipient will be honored at Gold Shield’s fall event (October 2023) and will receive a plaque memorializing the award.
- It is customary for the UCLA Faculty Prize recipient to be the guest speaker at a subsequent Gold Shield program and to Chair the following year’s Faculty Prize Selection Committee.

Additional Information
A Gold Shield Faculty Prize information/nomination packet may be downloaded by clicking here: [https://alumni.ucla.edu/alumni-networks/gold-shield-alumnae-network/gold-shield-faculty-prize/](https://alumni.ucla.edu/alumni-networks/gold-shield-alumnae-network/gold-shield-faculty-prize/).

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