UC San Diego Mathematics Professor Elected to Prestigious National Academy of Sciences

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Harold M. Stark, a professor of mathematics at the University of California, San Diego, has been elected to the National Academy of Sciences, one of the highest honors bestowed on American scientists and scholars, the academy announced today.

Stark joins 64 current members of the UCSD faculty who had been named to membership in the academy, established by Congress in 1863 to serve as an official adviser to the federal government on matters of science and technology.

Stark, who was also elected to the prestigious American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 1983, has been a professor at UCSD since 1980 and served as the chair of UCSD's Department of Mathematics from 1990 to 1994. He was a faculty member at MIT from 1969 to 1980 and at the University of Michigan from 1964 to 1968. He received his bachelor's degree from Caltech in 1961 and his doctorate from UC Berkeley in 1964.

Stark was one of 72 new members and 18 foreign associates from 12 countries elected this morning during the business session of the 144th annual meeting of the academy in recognition of their distinguished and continuing achievements in original research.

Those elected today bring the total number of active academy members to 2,025. Foreign associates are nonvoting members of the academy, with citizenship outside the United States. Today's election brings the total number of foreign associates to 387. More information on the new members can be obtained at: http://www.nas.edu/

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