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The San Diego Division of the Academic Senate of the University of California will present five Distinguished Teaching Awards at a 4:30 p.m. reception May 6 in the Ida and Cecil Green Faculty Club at UCSD.

Recipients of the 1999 teaching awards are Robert Hessler, Scripps Institution of Oceanography; Barbara Jones, physics; Laurence Milstein, engineering; David Perlmutter, linguistics, and Pamela Radcliff, history.

In nominating remarks for the award, colleagues note that Hessler has enticed students with world-class teaching and advised graduate students for the past 27 years. They add that his contributions have shaped, perpetuated and invigorated the field of deep-sea biology.

Jones, whose physics colleagues say presents course material with humor, enthusiasm and clarity, also demonstrates a strong commitment to education research. In addition to her concern for her students, she is involved in improving science instruction in grades K-12 through participation in UCSD's summer science institutes for teachers.

Milstein is lauded by colleagues as a precise and thoughtful instructor who exemplifies the epitome of being an engineering professor, inspiring students with enthusiasm and a unique style of teaching. He is called one of the most admired faculty in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Colleagues say Perlmutter has been instrumental in changing the approach to teaching linguistics and argumentation and has left a mark on numerous prominent linguists. His meticulous style is said to awaken students' interest in linguistics and teach them how to think critically.

Radcliff is called a model for undergraduate teaching who has brought imagination and energy to the Department of History's teaching mission. She is praised as a team player with excellent instincts for responsible leadership and mentorship.

Biology professor Paul D. Saltman is chair of the Committee on Distinguished Teaching, San Diego Division of the Academic Senate of the University of California, and physics professor John M. Goodkind is chair of the San Diego Division of the Academic Senate.

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