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## **UC San Diego Awards Campus Champions of Integrity**

On April 18, UC San Diego community members were recognized at the 8th Annual Integrity Awards
Ceremony for their contributions to academic, research and professional integrity on campus. The awards honor our university's commitment to uphold the six pillars of integrity—responsibility, honesty, fairness, respect, trustworthiness and courage.

One of UC San Diego's key contributors to campus integrity is the <u>Academic Integrity Office</u>, which promotes and supports a culture of integrity in order to reinforce quality teaching and learning, teaching students ethical decision-making skills that can be applied in all aspects of life.



Front row, left to right: Lisa Porter, Naomi Lin, Lisa Kellogg and Cesar Figueroa. Middle row, left to right: Cecilia Bonaduce Leggett, Luke Lindgren, James Posakony, Sheryl Gerbracht. Back row, left to right: Eric Mah and Robert Heaton

This year, the Integrity Peer Educator Program was also recognized at the ceremony. Peer Educators are the daily integrity champions on the campus, volunteering to help educate students, advise students and promote an integrity of culture across campus. Over the last ten years, the program has grown to 45 peers, and boasts over 70 alumni who have served in the program. The Integrity Peer Educator Program is recognized around the globe for both its contributions to the integrity culture at UC San Diego as well as for the leadership development it provides to students.

In 2011, in partnership with the Integrity Peer Educator Program, the Academic Integrity Office established the first award ceremony to celebrate members of the UC San Diego who uphold integrity in new and inspiring ways. The ceremony was expanded in later years to include awards for research and professional integrity, recognizing individuals who embody integrity in areas other than academics.

"I am delighted to announce the 2018 UC San Diego Integrity Awardees," said UC San Diego Executive Vice Chancellor Elizabeth Simmons. "These individuals, departments, organizational units and students have made outstanding contributions in support of UC San Diego's commitment to integrity."

## Winners of this year's UC San Diego Integrity Awards:

**Cesar Figueroa** (Assistant Director, Residence Life, Warren College) **Sheryl Gerbracht** (Director, Business Office, Information Technology Services)

Robert Heaton (Professor, Psychiatry, School of Medicine)

**Lisa Kellogg** (Director, Alumni Relatio ns/Academic Divisions and Graduate/Professional Schools, Alumni)

Cecilia Bonaduce Leggett (Medical Student, Class of 2019)

**Naomi Lin** (Undergraduate, Cognitive & Behavioral Neuroscience and Music, Roosevelt College)

**Luke Lindgren** (Undergraduate, NanoEngineering, Revelle College)

Eric Mah (Assist ant Dean for Clinical & Translational Research, Health Sciences)

**Lisa Porter** (Professor, Theatre & Dance)

**James Posakony** (Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology)

Recipients for this year's award were chosen by a review committee comprised of faculty, staff and alum based upon their demonstration of six criteria. These included conducting research on, promoting and mentoring others in, volunteering time in service of, institutionalizing and/or exhibiting courage in defense of integrity.

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