

UCSD placed 115th on the list of Guggenheim Fellowship winners with 85 winners during 1964 to 1981

February 7, 1983

The University of California, San Diego has placed among the leading American campuses in the number of faculty who have won prestigious Guggenheim Fellowships over the last 18 years, according to a report released by the foundation.

UCSD, with 85 Guggenheim winners during the years from 1964 through 1981, placed 15th on the list of all universities and colleges in the United States. The University of California, Berkeley led all other campuses with 331 Guggenheim fellows; Harvard University was second with 229, and Columbia University was third with 206. Other University of California campuses in the top 25 were UCLA, ranked 6th with 143 fellows and UC Davis, ranked 24th with 44 fellows.

The high ranking of UCSD is especially impressive given its age and the size of its faculty. The campus was established as a general campus in 1959 and the majority of the academic departments were formed during the early 1960s. There are currently 862 members of the UCSD academic senate.

In releasing the figures, Gordon N. Ray, president of the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation, described the fellowship as being the "authoritative validation of professional distinction." He added that a listing of recipients reads like an honor roll of American artists, scientists and scholars.

The Guggenheim awards provide funds for a year of independent study and work and are considered outstanding recognition among academics and artists. About 1 applicant in 11 is a winner.

For more information contact: Paul W. West, 452-3120

(February 7, 1983)