

**To Students and Alumni,  
Call for Nominations for  
2009 BARBOUR AND COHEN AWARDS**

Each year, an award for furthering good faculty-student relations (the George B. Barbour Award) and two awards for excellence in teaching (the A.B. [Dolly] Cohen Awards) are given to UC faculty members. We are presently seeking nominations for these awards. All nominations for the award must come from students or alumni.

The President's faculty awards committee has a website ([www.uc.edu/facultyawards/awards.htm](http://www.uc.edu/facultyawards/awards.htm)), which provides all the necessary guidelines for these awards.

The **George B. Barbour Award** is given annually "to the professor at the University who has contributed most to the furtherance of good student-faculty relations." The award honors that individual who has stimulated and participated in such relations over a sustained period of time.

The **A.B. (Dolly) Cohen Awards** are given each year to faculty members who have demonstrated superior ability as teachers, and who have maintained a high quality of teaching over a sustained period of time.

In addition to public recognition, award winners receive a plaque and a check for \$2000.

**Only students and alumni may nominate faculty members for these awards**, since students and alumni are in the unique position of knowing which faculty members deserve the honors.

To nominate a candidate either of the awards, simply **write a brief note** to the Chair of the Barbour-Cohen Awards Committee. **Give the name and department** (if you know it) of the person you are nominating, and be sure to designate the award for which you are nominating the candidate. Please add brief information which you think makes your nominee worthy of this award. Only nominations sent via the United States or University Postal System, or via email will be processed. Nominations sent via fax or voice mail will not be accepted. Nominations must be in by **Monday, December 1, 2008**.

Nominations should be sent to:

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Mail Location: 0631, Room 240C Van Wormer Hall  
Email: [Wayne.Hall@uc.edu](mailto:Wayne.Hall@uc.edu)

Questions should be directed to the Chair of the 2009 Barbour-Cohen Committee:

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## **SUGGESTED CRITERIA FOR THE AWARDS**

Although there are no absolute criteria as to what constitutes excellence in teaching or the furtherance of good student-faculty relations, the following lists are suggested.

### **Qualities apt to be exhibited by a Barbour awardee:**

1. Demonstrates a willingness to be involved with students in and out of class
2. Demonstrates a willingness to be involved with student groups and activities, and has a history of doing so
3. Demonstrates a genuine concern about students' current and long-range development
4. Demonstrates a sensitivity to individual differences and to multicultural needs of students
5. Demonstrates a working knowledge of information related to advising, course requirements, registration, etc.
6. Demonstrates a commitment to mentoring, even after the student graduates
7. Has the respect and trust of students and is genuinely concerned with individuals.

### **Qualities apt to be exhibited by a Cohen awardee:**

1. Is committed to teaching and regards it as a primary function of the university
2. Has successfully taught a variety of courses
3. Demonstrates creative approaches to teaching
4. Shows respect for diversity of opinions and experiences of students
5. Demonstrates sensitivity to individual differences and multicultural needs of students
6. Maintains high but attainable standards of performance
7. Stimulates independent work by students, which leads them to be creative, self-directed learners
8. Establishes a classroom atmosphere that fosters self-confidence, a positive self-concept, and mutual respect.