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Faculty honored for research, service, teaching

August 24, 2009 -- At SF State's opening faculty meeting today, three faculty members received Distinguished Faculty Awards in recognition of their outstanding contributions in research, service and teaching. The awards were presented by Provost Sue Rosser.

Honorees receive a \$4,000 stipend from the Academic Senate for the Excellence in Professional Achievement award and the Excellence in Service award and a \$5,000 stipend for the Sarlo Excellence in Teaching award, which is sponsored by the Sarlo Foundation.



Professor Andrea Boyle

School of Nursing from 2006-07 and she serves on numerous committees, the Academic Senate and the CSU Academic Senate.

"During her 20 years at San Francisco State, Dr. Boyle has initiated, developed and provided leadership for a number of new nursing courses," Provost Rosser said. "Dr. Boyle's expansive community and professional service is impressive at the local, national and international level."



Professor David Matsumoto

received a \$1.9 million grant from the U.S. Department of Defense to conduct a five-year study on the role of emotions in

Excellence in Service Award

The Distinguished Faculty Award for Excellence in Service was awarded to Andrea Boyle, associate professor of nursing. Boyle has played a critical role in shaping the School of Nursing curricula. She has developed two new family nurse practitioner programs and co-developed the master's cohort program, which provides flexible graduate study for working nurses. Boyle served as the interim director of the

Excellence in Professional Achievement Award

The award for Excellence in Professional Achievement was awarded to Professor of Psychology David Matsumoto, whose research on culture, emotion and facial expressions has attracted international attention and is being applied in such fields as national defense, immigration, athletics and business. In 2009, Matsumoto

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ideologically-based groups.

"Dr. Matsumoto is a worldwide leader in the field of facial analysis," Rosser said. "One distinctive aspect of Dr. Matsumoto's accomplishments in research is the pedagogic structure of his lab. There is a continuous flow of published research from his students, sometimes in collaboration with him, sometimes not, and many go on to top flight institutions."



Professor Linda Wanek

Sarlo Excellence in Teaching Award

Professor and Chair of Physical Therapy Linda Wanek received the Sarlo Excellence in Teaching Award. Since she joined SF State in 1993, Wanek's instruction has consistently received the highest ratings from colleagues and students, particularly her "theory to practice" approach, which translates scientific theory into clinical applications for patients.

Wanek's oversight of the physical therapy curriculum has guided the program through professional accreditation and ensures students achieve an exceptional pass rate in the physical therapy licensing exam.

"Practitioners, students and faculty cite the orthopedic component as the best aspect of our physical therapy program which is due to Dr. Wanek's teaching excellence," Rosser said. "There has been nothing but compliments from the orthopedic community about our students' training in orthopedic physical therapy."

The Sarlo Excellence in Teaching Award was established in 1997 by George Sarlo and his wife Sejong Sarlo, an SF State alum. Sponsored by the Sarlo Foundation of the Jewish Community Endowment Fund, the award honors outstanding Northern California professors.

Initiated by the Academic Senate, the Faculty Honors and Awards Committee was appointed by the Academic Senate and former Provost John Gemello to promote, select and recognize SF State faculty with a distinguished track record of teaching, professional development and service. Chaired by Darlene Yee, professor of gerontology, the executive committee included Nancy Hayes, dean of the College of Business, Genie Stowers, professor of public administration, Rashmi Gupta, assistant professor of social work, Dorothy Tsuruta, chair and professor of Africana studies, Shawn Whalen, chair of Academic Senate and coach specialist in communication studies and Wanda Lee, dean of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development.

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