



University of California
Larry L. Sautter Award
for
Innovation in Information Technology

As UCR's Associate Vice Chancellor for Computing and Communications, Larry Sautter led the Riverside campus in technological innovation through entrepreneurial, effective, and efficient use of the resources at his disposal.

The Joint Operations Group (JOG), the individuals on all campuses with overall information technology management responsibility, has instituted an award in his memory to encourage and recognize innovators in the deployment of information technology to conduct the University's business. In so doing, we wish to perpetuate Larry's contribution to a climate in which user departments and information technology units welcome innovation and change.

Award Program

The Larry L. Sautter Award for Innovation in Information Technology honors employees at any of the ten campuses of the University of California, the Office of the President, and the three UC-managed national laboratories for

- **Best IT Practices in Business Processes and Services**

or

- **Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Information Technology**

Up to two awards and two honorable mentions will be presented each year.

Award Goals

The award is intended to

- Highlight best practices in information technology in the University by identifying exemplary innovations that are feasible, make good use of resources, and can be adopted by other University departments or campuses.
- Promote innovation that has the potential to change the way the University conducts its business even when the impact of the innovation will not be felt immediately.
- Define criteria for assessing innovative projects and set high standards for information technology deployment.
- Recognize innovative deployments of information technology without regard to the resources available to the initiating department or campus.
- Offer rewards for risk taking.

Eligibility

Innovations developed by faculty and staff in any department at any of the ten UC campuses, UCOP, and the three UC-managed national laboratories are eligible to compete for the award. Submissions should meet these criteria:

- The innovation uses information technology to improve business or administrative processes or to deliver academic or programmatic material; it involves the deployment of information technology rather than research on new technologies.
- The innovation advances the University's mission and its supporting information technology goals; it does not represent change for its own sake.
- The innovation is already operational at a UC campus; it has been implemented within the past three years and still offers current value to other UC departments.
- The innovation is portable; it can be used by other UC departments or campuses.

Application Procedure

The deadline for submission of applications is **May 1**. Submissions may be made by the individual(s) who worked on the project or by others and should include the following:

- an abstract of the project (750 words or less)
- a project description (not to exceed 5 pages)
- objective customer satisfaction data (not to exceed 2 pages)
- benchmarking data, if available (not required)

Submissions that have been prepared for EDUCAUSE or NACUBO awards may be entered in those formats. For information, contact Yvonne Tevis at (510) 987-0638.

Please submit applications to

Sautter Award

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Selection

Selection Criteria

The selection committee will evaluate submissions based on the following criteria, and supporting documents should contain evidence of the following:

Scope:

- improved access to critical IT-based business or academic services, or
- improved delivery of IT services
- at the department, campus, or Universitywide level

Criteria:

- faster, friendlier, cheaper, simpler
- portable, scaleable, readily implementable
- assessable (measurable and measured) return on investment
- collaborative
- unique, new, different, not obvious

Selection Process

The Joint Operations Group will sponsor the competition. The Office of the President, Information Resources and Communications (IR&C), will gather and compile the submissions. A selection committee appointed by JOG will determine the award winners on the basis of submitted materials, and additional interviews if necessary. Members of the selection committee will be drawn from at least three campuses and the Office of the President.

Recognition

Awards will be announced and the recipients honored at the **UC Computing Services Conference to be held July 28 – 30, 2002, at UC Berkeley**. Award recipients will receive a commemorative wall plaque for permanent local display. In addition, recipients will be recognized in Universitywide media, press releases, and meetings.

