

**COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES****DEAN MCHENRY AWARD  
FOR DISTINGUISHED LEADERSHIP IN THE ACADEMIC SENATE****To the Academic Senate, Santa Cruz Division:**

After wide consultation, the Committee on Committees has selected Carolyn Martin Shaw, Professor of Anthropology, as the nominee for the Dean McHenry Award for Distinguished Leadership in the Academic Senate and for the UC Oliver Johnson Award. The Dean McHenry Award is awarded every two years in conjunction with UCSC's nomination of a Senate member for the systemwide Oliver Johnson Award.

In selecting Professor Martin Shaw, we salute an on-going, thirty-two year record of service and leadership characterized above all by Professor Martin Shaw's intelligent, imaginative, indefatigable, and principled work to create, at UCSC in particular and throughout the University of California, communities of scholarship and learning characterized by openness, fairness, and respect.

Professor Martin Shaw joined UCSC's faculty in 1972. Her distinguished career as an anthropologist and Africanist has included *Colonial Inscriptions: Race, Sex and Class in Kenya*, a book that has been characterized as being "one of the most important works to emerge in recent African scholarship." In 2002, she was the recipient of the Association for Africanist Anthropology's annual Distinguished Lecturer Award. Professor Martin Shaw served as Chair of Anthropology from 1993-96 and has just finished a two-year term as director of its undergraduate program. As a teacher of courses ranging from the Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (a general education staple for freshmen) to advanced seminars on the anthropology of sexuality, and as a mentor to students from a wide variety of backgrounds, she has received accolades for outstanding teaching, including awards from the Social Sciences Division, the African American Alumni, the Re-Entry Program, and the African-American Community at UCSC.

After years of contributing as a fellow of Kresge College to the intellectual life of the college, Professor Martin Shaw became Provost of Kresge in 1991 and served until 1996. As Provost, she reinvigorated the college as a community that included students, staff, and the faculty; she reinvented the freshman core course; she provided vision and leadership on the Council of Provosts, and she is remembered at Kresge for "the way she treated people, all people, with respect and openness." To this day, Professor Martin Shaw continues to give college commencement addresses (most recently at Kresge and Merrill) and core course lectures in various colleges, to participate on college panels, and to facilitate discussions – all significant acts of service that have contributed to the character and the quality of the UCSC undergraduate experience.

Professor Martin Shaw began her Academic Senate service in 1979 on what was then known as the Instructional Improvement Committee. From 1980 to 1983 she served on the Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid and various subcommittees, then in 1985 on the Faculty Affirmative Action Committee, and in 1986, the Committee on Planning and Budget.

Since 1990, when she became chair of CPB, Professor Martin Shaw has chaired five standing committees of the Academic Senate and two officially established special committees, in each instance providing leadership that her colleagues describe as “superb.” As Chair of the Committee on Planning and Budget during a period when the campus was reassessing the effectiveness of its administrative structure in the face of new initiatives and challenges, Professor Martin Shaw led the study of and recommendation for the formation of the position of Executive Vice Chancellor. She also served as co-chair of the Joint Committee on Planning and Budget and Committee on Educational Policy Subcommittee on the Intellectual Life of the Colleges. Under Professor Martin Shaw’s energetic, strategically effective leadership, and infused with the spirit of her insistence that all view points be carefully heard, the CPB/CEP Joint Subcommittee succeeded in setting a standard for involving the entire campus in a focused discussion of an issue and produced in one year a report whose sagacity and prescience remain relevant and unsurpassed.

After serving as the Chair of the Committee on Narrative Evaluations in 1995-96, Professor Shaw became the Vice Chair of the Committee on Privilege and Tenure in 1997 and has served as Chair of P&T since 2001. This academic year (2003-04) she became Chair of the University-wide Committee on Privilege and Tenure. Her work on P&T has included working with a committee to draft sexual harassment policy and last year to write revisions to the system-wide Faculty Code of Conduct so as to include ethical principles regarding romantic relations between faculty members and students. Perhaps, however, Professor Martin Shaw’s most important contribution to the Committee on Privilege and Tenure has been to present a model of fairness and probity that her colleagues have found both instructive and inspiring.

Professor Martin Shaw’s leadership of the Special Committee on Non-Senate Teaching Faculty this last year reveals the same concern for process intelligently observed, for fairness (the balancing of justice and equity), and for the values that create an academic community which achieves its excellence in part because it respects and makes the most of all its members. Her voice for three years on the Senate Executive Committee (formerly the Senate Advisory Committee) has been the voice of passionate reason in the service of the same reasonable ideals.

In selecting Professor Carolyn Martin Shaw for the Dean McHenry Award and nominating her for the Oliver Johnson Award, we depart from the practice in the last two awards of honoring an outstanding member of the emeriti faculty. Instead, we have chosen to honor – and show our gratitude for – the excellent, unfinished work of someone who is still in the trenches. We are pleased to present Professor Martin Shaw -- distinguished scholar, outstanding teacher, valued mentor, and exemplary leader of the

work of the Academic Senate for the Dean McHenry Award for Distinguished Leadership in the Academic Senate and as UCSC's nominee for the Oliver Johnson Award.

Respectfully Submitted:  
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