

# UNIVERSITY OF HARTFORD

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Date: November 20, 2023  
To: University of Hartford Faculty and Collegiate Deans  
From: Carrie Koffman, Chair, Awards and Nominations Committee  
Subject: Calls for Nominations: Tonkin, Larsen and Trachtenberg Awards  
**Due: February 16, 2024**

The Tonkin, Larsen, and Trachtenberg Awards are among the most prestigious awards given to faculty by the University and as such reflect the contributions made by exceptional individuals from the various colleges that make up the University of Hartford. The three awards are intended to honor full-time University of Hartford faculty members at commencement each year. Each recipient will receive a University medal, citation, and recognition in the commencement program.

Please take a few minutes upon receipt of this memorandum to review the requirements closely. To be eligible for one of the awards, the nominee must:

- be a full-time faculty member who has been awarded tenure
- a faculty member on an extended temporary contract who has been through a tenure-like review
- a full-time faculty member with a non-tenure track contract with at least six consecutive years of employment

Faculty who were nominated in prior years may be re-nominated. A new nomination, complete with all supporting up-to-date materials, must be submitted.

**Nominations may come from a Dean, Department Chair, colleagues or self.** While it is feasible for a single individual to nominate and organize the necessary supporting materials for a nominee, a small group of individuals who support the same nominee may work together in the collection and presentation of supporting materials. Criteria for each award and a description of requested supporting documents is included in this packet, and also available at the Faculty Senate website [Senate Business and Resources - University of Hartford](#)

Officers of the Faculty Senate cannot be nominated for the awards while they are serving in office.

Nominators are required to submit a complete set of materials for each nominee. Packets will be submitted to the committee exactly as they are received. For all awards, letters from nominators should clearly describe the most significant accomplishments of the nominee, as related to the specific award criteria.

Nomination forms are attached to this memorandum. Completed nomination packets for each of the three awards must be hand-delivered to the Faculty Senate Office, CC 314 (Attention: Awards & Nominations Committee) or emailed as one complete PDF file to the Faculty Senate Office ([facsenate@hartford.edu](mailto:facsenate@hartford.edu)) by **4 p.m., Friday, February 16, 2024**. Please call the office x4789, or email [facsenate@hartford.edu](mailto:facsenate@hartford.edu), if you are in need of assistance.

Below is a list of the members of the Committee. We look forward to receiving your nominations.

Breda, Karen	ENHP	Senator	<a href="mailto:Breda@hartford.edu">Breda@hartford.edu</a>	4477
Grantham, Susan	A&S	Senator	<a href="mailto:Grantham@hartford.edu">Grantham@hartford.edu</a>	4016
Koffman, Carrie	Hartt	Chair	<a href="mailto:koffman@hartford.edu">koffman@hartford.edu</a>	4806
Viswanathan, Rashmi	HAS	Senator	<a href="mailto:Viswanath@hartford.edu">Viswanath@hartford.edu</a>	4741
Shertukde, Hemchandra	CETA	Senator	<a href="mailto:shertukde@hartford.edu">shertukde@hartford.edu</a>	4847
Rassekh, Farhad	Barney	Non-Senator	<a href="mailto:Rassekh@hartford.edu">Rassekh@hartford.edu</a>	5007
Pence, Laura	A&S	Trachtenberg	<a href="mailto:Lpence@hartford.edu">Lpence@hartford.edu</a>	4356
Zhu, Bin	A&S	Tonkin	<a href="mailto:Zhu@hartford.edu">Zhu@hartford.edu</a>	4367
		Larsen		

**The Humphrey Tonkin Award** honors a full-time University of Hartford faculty member for scholarly and/or artistic creativity. This award is named for former President of the University of Hartford and Director of the President’s College: Humphrey Tonkin. It succeeds the Bent award and is given each year to a faculty member who has displayed unusual creativity and innovation in the pursuit of scholarship.

The following documentation must be submitted to the committee for review:

- Nomination form (see attached)
- The candidate’s curriculum vitae
- Up to four letters of support from colleagues within the University, and up to four from external colleagues. These letters should address how the nominee’s scholarship or creative works have contributed to the discipline or field of study and speak specifically to the work(s) that are considered the most important. All letters must address the intent of the award; letters written for other purposes (i.e. promotion and tenure) are not appropriate
- Documentation of quality

Obtain from the nominee, or ask the nominee to include documentation in her/his CV, the indicators of quality noted in the call (e.g., peer reviewed publications, acceptance rejection rates, jury information for exhibits/competitions, commissioned works, copies of reviews for performances, invited presentations, reviews of the nominee’s book or monograph, etc.).

The committee will invite one nominator per candidate to attend a meeting and support the nomination with a 10-to15-minute presentation and brief question/discussion period.

**The Roy E. Larsen Award** honors a full-time University of Hartford faculty member for excellence in teaching and contributions to University life. The award was established in 1979 in memory of the late Roy E. Larsen, former president of Time, Inc., who was a passionate environmentalist and education advocate.

The criteria include excellence in the classroom, interest in/impact on the academic success of students, and contributions to University life. The following documents must be provided for consideration of the nominee:

- Nomination form (see attached)
- The candidate's curriculum vitae
- Up to four letters of support from colleagues within the University, and up to four from external colleagues\*
- Up to six letters of support from alumni or former students (who no longer attend the University)\*
- Evidence of Teaching Effectiveness as outlined in the FPM and Faculty Data Sheet:
  1. Teaching Philosophy
  2. Summary Statement: Use this statement to help the reader understand how the following multiple points of evidence connect to your teaching philosophy and/or important aspects of your teaching.
  3. Multiple points of evidence — these must support teaching effectiveness and must include some or all of the following:
    - a. Artifacts of teaching (syllabi, assignments, instructional materials)
    - b. Outside perspectives (student course evaluations, peer observations, chair observations)
    - c. Student outcomes (examples of student work, evidence of students' accomplishments, assessment data)
    - d. Example of utilizing feedback to make improvements in teaching
    - e. Teaching awards
    - f. Evidence of innovation
    - g. Other evidence
  4. Professional development related to teaching (optional)
  5. Other activities related to teaching (optional)

\*Note: All letters must address the intent of the award; letters written for other purposes (i.e. promotion and tenure) are not appropriate.

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**The Oscar and Shoshana Trachtenberg Award** honors a full-time University of Hartford faculty member for sustained service to the University. It is given in memory of Oscar and Shoshana Trachtenberg and is intended to recognize exemplary service and dedication to the concerns of the University, and a willingness to participate fully in University life.

Nominations must include:

- Nomination form (see attached)
- The candidate's curriculum vitae
- Documentation of nominee's sustained service to the University (i.e. Description of service, official role and significant accomplishments)
- Up to four letters of support from colleagues within the University, and up to four from external colleagues. Note: All letters must address the intent of the award; letters written for other purposes (i.e. promotion and tenure) are not appropriate

The committee will invite one nominator per candidate to attend a meeting and support the nomination with a 10-to 15-minute presentation and brief question/discussion period.

## **Humphrey Tonkin Award**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Department/Program</b>	<b>School/College</b>
2023	Bin Zhu	Biology	A&S
2022	Lynn Kelly	Communication	A&S
2022	Robert Duran	Communication	A&S
2021	Benjamin S. Grossberg	English	A&S
2021	Javon Jackson	Jazz Studies	Hartt
2020	Andrew Craft	Chemistry	A&S
2019	Michele Troy	English	Hillyer
2018	Alan Rust	Theatre	Hartt
2017	David Macbride	Composition and Music Theory	Hartt
2016	Susan Coleman	Finance	Barney

## **James E. and Francis W. Bent Award (now called the Humphrey Tonkin Award)**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Department/Program</b>	<b>School/College</b>
2015	Nat Reeves	Jazz Bass	Hartt
2014	Ivana Milanovic	Mechanical Engineering	CETA
2013	Robert Davis	Theatre	Hartt
2012	Susan Wahab Machuga	Accounting	Barney
2011	Timothy Black	Sociology	A&S
2010	John Feierabend	Music Education	Hartt
2009	Katie Stevinson-Nollet	Dance	Hartt
2008	Chittaranjan Sahay	Mechanical Engineering	CETA
2007	Farhad Rassekh	Economics	Barney
2006	Warren Goldstein	History	A&S
2005	Robert Carl	Composition & Theory	Hartt
2004	Bharat Kolluri	Economics	Barney
2003	Richard Freund	Jewish History	A&S
2002	Stephen Gryc	Composition & Theory	Hartt
2001	Yvonne Jehenson	Modern Languages	A&S
2000	Michael J. Panik	Economics	Barney
1999	Donald G. Ellis	Communication	A&S
1998	Kathleen McCormick	Rhetoric, Language & Culture	A&S
1997	Hemchandra Shertukde	Electrical & Computer Engineering	CETA
1996	Donald J. Leone	Civil Engineering	CETA
1995	Mary Frey	Photography	HAS
1994	Devdas Shetty	Mechanical Engineering	CETA
1993	Ellen Carey	Photography	HAS
1992	Peter McLean	Experimental Studio	HAS
1991	Richard Cohn	Finance	Barney
1990	Jackie McLean	Jazz Saxophone	Hartt
1989	Lloyd Glasson	Sculpture	HAS

1988	Rudolph Zallinger	Painting	HAS
1987	Tracy Simpson	Biology	A&S

### **Roy E. Larsen Award**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Department/Program</b>	<b>School/College</b>
2022	Ivana Milanovic	Mechanical Engineering	CETA
2021	Ben Toth	Instrumental Studies	Hartt
2020	Nicholas Ealy	English/Modern Languages	A&S
2019	Mala Matacin	Psychology	A&S
2018	Lillian Kamal	Economics	Barney
2017	Warren Haston	Music Education	Hartt
2017	Cy Yavuzturk	Mechanical Engineering	CETA
2015	Roger Desmond	Communication	A&S
2014	Monica Hardesty	Sociology & Criminal Justice	A&S
2014	Glen Adsit	Music Performance	Hartt
2013	Susan Diehl	Health Sciences & Nursing	ENHP
2012	Ken Steen	Academic & Contemporary Studies	Hartt
2011	Jack L. Powell	Psychology	A&S
2010	Robert Duran	Communication	A&S
2009	David Pines	Civil/Environ/Biomedical Engineering	CETA
2008	Charles R. Canedy III	Marketing	Barney
2007	Regina Miller	Early Childhood Education	ENHP
2006	Laura E. Pence	Chemistry	A&S
2005	Harald Sandstrom	Politics & Government	A&S
2004	J. Holden Camp	History	Hillyer
2003	Raymond McGivney	Mathematics	A&S
2002	A. Richard Brayer	Psychology	A&S
2001	Ralph M. Aloisi	Biology & Health Sciences	A&S
2000	Harry J. Workman	Chemistry	A&S
1999	Lynne Kelly	Communication	A&S
1999	H. Frederick Sweitzer	Education	ENHP
1998	Sherry Buckberrough	Art History	HAS
1997	Christopher N. Horton	Experimental Studio	HAS
1996	John M. Roderick	English; Communication	Hillyer; A&S
1995	Robert D. Celmer	Acoustics	CETA
1994	Paul Mihalek	Accounting	Barney
1993	Bernard D. den Ouden	Philosophy	A&S
1992	Melvin Goldstein	English	A&S
1991	Alexander Lepak	Percussion	Hartt
1990	Arthur L. Herrmann	Finance	Barney
1989	Malcolm P. Stevens	Chemistry	A&S
1988	Elizabeth McDaniel	Education	ENHP
1987	Walter Banzhaf	Electrical/Computer Engineering	Ward

1986	Bill B. Brayfield	History	A&S
1985	S. Edward Weinswig	Education	Education
1984	William Katz	Mathematics	Basic Studies
1983	Edward Diemente	Composition & Theory	Hartt
1982	Elizabeth Swain	Biology	A&S
1981	Peter K. Breit	Politics & Government	A&S
1980	Cecilia Welna	Mathematics	A&S

### **The Oscar and Shoshana Trachtenberg**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Department/Program</b>	<b>School/College</b>
2023	Laura Pence	Chemistry	A&S
2022	Maria Esposito Frank	Italian & Renaissance Studies	A&S
2021	Sundeep Muppidi	Communication	A&S
2020	Donald Jones	English/Modern Languages	A&S
2019	Barbara Crane	Rehabilitation Sciences	ENHP
2018	Deborah Kidder	Management/Marketing	Barney
2017	Catherine Certo	Rehabilitation Sciences	ENHP
2017	Jane Horvath	Economics	A&S
2016	Mark Blackwell	English & Modern Languages	A&S
2015	Joan Pedro	Education	ENHP
2014	Hisham Alnajjar	Electrical & Computer Engineering	ENHP
2013	Donn Weinholtz	Nursing & Health Professions	ENHP
2012	Katherine A. Black	Psychology	A&S
2011	Jerome Katrichis	Marketing	Barney
2010	Susan Coleman	Finance	Barney
2009	Karen Lucas Breda	Nursing	ENHP
2008	John A. (Jay) Stewart	Sociology	A&S
2007	Harry Workman	Chemistry	A&S
2006	Walter Banzhaf	Electrical & Computer Engineering	CETA
2005	Raymond McGivney	Mathematics	A&S
2004	Leo T. Smith	Mechanical Engineering	CETA
2003	Mary Carsky	Marketing	Barney
2002	Catherine Stevenson	English & Drama	A&S
2001	Richard H. Lugli	Government	Hillyer
2000	Karen Barrett	Clinical Lab Science	ENHP
1999	J. Holden Camp	History	Hillyer
1998	Regina Miller	Education	ENHP
1997	Mary W. Schulze	Nursing	ENHP
1996	Carl S. Smith	Accounting	Barney
1995	Bill B. Brayfield	History	A&S
1994	Richard Dalphin	Civil Engineering	Engineering
1993	Virginia S. Hale	English	A&S

1992	Phyllis S. Katz	Technical Communication	Ward
1991	Daniel R. Maycock	Engineering Technology	Ward
1990	S. Edward Weinswig	Education	ENHP
1989	Peter K. Breit	Politics & Government	A&S
1988	Frank J. Chiarenza	English	A&S



**The Roy E. Larsen Award 2024**

**Nomination Form**

**Honoring a Full-Time University of Hartford Faculty Member for Excellence in Teaching and Contribution to University Life**

Please provide information below for the faculty member being nominated:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

School/department \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

REASONS FOR NOMINATION – Please be sure to follow guidelines in the Call for Nominations. Use narrative form to provide details, attaching additional sheets if needed.

Hand deliver to the Faculty Senate Office, CC 314, or email the completed nomination packet as one PDF file to the Faculty Senate Office ([facsenate@hartford.edu](mailto:facsenate@hartford.edu)) by 4:00 p.m., **Friday, February 16, 2024.**

Name of nominating party (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Campus Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Humphrey Tonkin Award 2024**

**Nomination Form**

**Honoring a Full-Time University of Hartford Faculty Member for Scholarly and/or Artistic Creativity**

Please provide information below for the faculty member being nominated:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

School/department \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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Campus Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**The Oscar & Shoshana Trachtenberg Award 2024**

**Nomination Form**

**Honoring a Full-Time University of Hartford Faculty Member for Sustained Service to the University**

Please provide information below for the faculty member being nominated:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

School/department \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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