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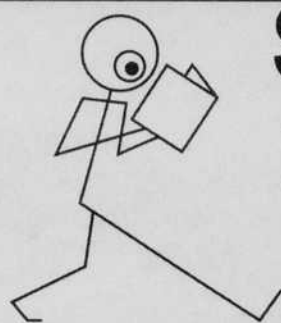
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Scholarships award excellent library resources application

The University libraries will distribute the four awards, which total \$3,000, for spring 2005 tuition

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The University libraries announced last week the creation of four new scholarships aimed at students who "demonstrate extraordinary skill and creativity in the application of library and information resources to original research and scholarship," according to the University libraries' Web site.

The libraries will allocate \$3,000 for the awards — two \$1,000 scholarships will be given as well as two \$500 honorable mention awards. The scholarship money will be valid for the winners' 2005 spring term tuition.

University librarians Deb Carver and Andrew Bonamici said the scholarships, formally called the Undergraduate Library Research Awards, are a step toward preserving and distributing exemplary undergraduate research that has extensively utilized the libraries' collections, resources and services.

"I think what's important about a good university education is that all undergraduate students have the opportunity to do research, whether it's in the lab, in the library or out in the field," Carver said.

"So much excellent student work never makes it past the grading," said Bonamici, chair of the scholarship's selection committee. "After the grades are in nobody reads it anymore."

Undergraduate students create and

complete noteworthy research every year, Bonamici said. Some projects "can be of such excellence that they should be preserved and get broader distribution."

Carver and colleague Mark Watson said that winning projects will be placed in the University of Oregon Scholars' Bank, which Carver described as an electronic bank for intellectual output. Watson said that the winning projects will be available to use as academic resources.

Besides placement of winning projects in the Scholars' Bank, the relatively light amount of extra work needed to apply is the award's other attraction.

"I know how busy students are," Bonamici said. "We don't want to create extra assignments for people."

The research projects, which must have been assigned in 300 or 400 level UO classes during winter, spring or fall of 2004, are already done, or will be, by the end of this academic term. Students that utilized any of the University of Oregon libraries to create excellent research projects are encouraged to apply after discussing it with their professors, library representatives said.

"The scholarship committee is hoping to see 'A plus-type projects,'

Bonamici said.

The awards will be considered on a merit based evaluation, Carver said. The scholarship selection committee will not discriminate against research projects completed by individuals or teams, said Bonamici, but the \$3,000 allocated will only be distributed amongst four winning projects. If a team wins an award, the \$1,000 or \$500 must be divided among the team.

Bonamici, Carver and Watson said part of the funding for this year's award comes from money appropriated for two library freshman seminar classes. The rest of the support comes from leftover funds from a freshman seminar class taught by Vice President for Student Affairs Anne Leavitt.

Bonamici and Carver said they are excited about the libraries' ability to self-fund the 2005 awards.

"I am confident that we will find support for this," Bonamici said.

"We have it out there as one of our campaign priorities," Carver said. "We are trying to raise one hundred thousand dollars."

Carver said that the inaugural self-funding of the research awards was a strategy designed to make the Undergraduate Library Research Awards more marketable to future donors.

"We wanted to go ahead and do this because we'd have a demonstration. We'd have something to show to a donor," Carver said.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Interested in applying for the Undergraduate Library Research Awards? The application deadline is Jan. 14, 2005. For more information, visit www.libweb.uoregon.edu.

IN BRIEF

Oregon senate confirms education board nominees

The Oregon Senate recently confirmed two of Gov. Ted Kulongoski's nominations for the State Board of Higher Education. Tony Van Vliet, a retired Oregon State University professor and former state senator, and Adriana Mendoza, an Eastern Oregon University student, were confirmed Nov. 17. Their terms will continue through June.

Van Vliet served as the District 35 state senator from 1975 to 1995. During his tenure in the state legislature, he served on the Emergency Board, according to an Oregon University System press release. He also served on Education and Human Resources Subcommittees, and was on the

state's Environmental Quality Commission for eight years, according to the Oregon University System Web site. During the 1991 legislative session, he was co-chair of the Ways and Means Committee.

State Board of Higher Education President Henry Lorenzen said Van Vliet will serve as a vital link between the state board and the legislature.

"He'll be a good conduit for (the board) in relaying the feelings of the legislature back to the board and the Chancellor's Office," Lorenzen said.

Additionally, Van Vliet was a professor of forestry at OSU for more than 30 years before retiring in 1991. He also served as director of the Career Planning and Placement Center, according to the OUS Web site, and received a number of awards for his teaching while at OSU.

Mendoza is a business administration major at Eastern Oregon Uni-

versity in La Grande, minoring in Spanish. Mendoza is now one of two board members to hail from eastern Oregon — Lorenzen is from Pendleton.

"Adriana brings a important viewpoint which is that of a student in a Eastern Oregon regional college," Lorenzen said.

More importantly, added Lorenzen, was the perspective that Mendoza will bring as a regional college student. Regional colleges are the smaller OUS campuses in more rural areas such as Oregon Institute of Technology, Southern Oregon University and Western Oregon University.

"(Mendoza's) perspective is important because the strength of the board is that it draws from various backgrounds and various points of view," Lorenzen said.

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