CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: Deadline is Friday, March 12, 2021

DESCRIPTION

The Martin Meyerson Berkeley Faculty Research Lectureship is the highest honor accorded to its members by the Berkeley Division of the Academic Senate. The purpose of this award is twofold: to recognize representatives from our distinguished faculty whose research has changed the shape of their discipline, and to share their innovative work with the broader campus community and the public. The Berkeley Division of the Academic Senate selects two Faculty Research Lecturers per year—usually one in the sciences and one in the arts, humanities or social sciences. Each will give a public lecture hosted by the Chancellor.

The selection committee, which is the Committee on Faculty Research Lecture (FRL), considers the academic quality of established research, the active and ongoing contributions of the nominees, especially those who have established new directions for scholarship, as well as the ability to translate their research into an accessible, engaging lecture. FRL seeks nominations from every discipline, including the arts, humanities, social sciences, and sciences, as well as the professional schools. The Committee solicits your help in obtaining nominations for this prestigious recognition of exceptional scholarship.

A list of previous recipients is accessible from the following link:

https://facultylectures.berkeley.edu/history/

The 2021 Martin Meyerson Berkeley Faculty Research Lecturers are Professor K. Birgitta Whaley from the College of Chemistry and Professor Franklin Zimring from the School of Law.
CRITERIA

Nominees should be outstanding individuals, recognized as such among leaders of their respective disciplines both within the United States and internationally. FRL is committed to generating a fresh pool of nominees whose work reflects the range of scholarship so important to Berkeley’s academic profile. FRL therefore strongly encourages you to include in your considerations possible nominees from departments that have not proposed candidates in recent years, and from new and non-traditional, multidisciplinary fields. It is especially important that the pool of nominees reflect the full diversity and strength of the Berkeley faculty, so we encourage you to consider the nomination of women and underrepresented scholars from every field.

Please submit nominations by March 12, 2021, at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfOVyyN37fovxkvhOKi0plub-gxiUTguZ8WrLE8fwWDTjG8w/viewform

The nomination must include the following materials. Please adhere to stated limits, and DO NOT submit additional letters of support:

• Cover letter of two pages maximum describing the nominee's qualifications;
• Current curriculum vitae;
• Brief bibliography (10 items maximum);  
• Two to three letters (a maximum of 2 pages each) from experts in the nominee’s field; and
• One or two examples of the nominee's work (book, article, etc.) to illustrate its distinctive quality

In the cover letter, please furnish information on originality, creativity, and specific evidence of the nominee’s influence on research in their field, including its impact on the directions of their discipline, on graduate students, and on the broader public.

The committee will choose from among candidates of widely varying disciplines. The clearer and more complete the profiles of the nominees—with special emphasis on how their contributions have made a difference—the easier, or at least less formidable, our task. Nominees
remain in consideration for three years. If appropriate, such submissions should be updated with any new or pertinent information since the original submission.

Your help with this important work is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

Pamela Samuelson, Chair
Committee on Faculty Research Lecture