

## Nine teachers awarded citations

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**Nine faculty members from the University of Sydney have been named amongst the country's top teachers.**

The prestigious [Australian Learning and Teaching Council](#) Citations are awarded to academic and professional staff for long-standing contributions to the quality of student learning and improving the overall student experience.

University of Sydney winners include [Associate Professor Maureen Boughton](#), Lesley Halliday and Lynn Brown for a "tailored programme for nursing students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds that significantly enhances participation, learning and clinical competence."

[Associate Professor David Easdown](#) was named for "sustained excellence in nurturing discovery and fulfilling potential in mathematics learning, along the spectrum from novice undergraduates to accomplished masters and doctoral students."

[Dr Merran Govendir](#), from the Faculty of Veterinary Science, was recognised for "commitment in creating learning cultures that encourage undergraduate students to be active learners and encourage postgraduate students to optimise learning throughout their candidatures".

[Associate Professor Frank Seebacher's](#) citation was for "novel and effective approaches to leading biology students from learning about science to becoming creative scientists."

[Ms Kristine Sodersten](#) and Susan Rice were named for "an innovative approach that establishes effective, collaborative studio learning enabling previously failing architecture students to excel in design which is crucial to their professional success."

[Dr Catherine Sutton-Brady](#), a senior lecturer in marketing, was named alongside her colleague at the University of Western Sydney, Ms Nicole Stegemann, for "enhancing student learning in marketing through innovative assessments and holistic curriculum development."

Professor Richard Johnstone, ALTC Executive Director, said the citations reveal the tremendous commitment in the higher education sector to improving the student experience. "The quality and quantity of applications received represent the incredible effort made by university staff Australia-wide to contribute to a positive learning experience for every student," Professor Johnstone said.

The citations, worth \$10,000, will be formally presented at a ceremony at the NSW Art Gallery at 4pm, Tuesday, 11 August.

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