

Teaching Awards

Anne Shiu's office hours are regularly packed. Her rapport with her students is very good; it is clear that she deeply cares about them and that she is passionate about seeing them succeed. Some have described her as “the best professor for this class” and write that she is “clear, easy to understand” and “easy to approach with questions”. Anne Shiu also does excellent work with the REU program, both as co-PI and as research mentor for numerous students. This work has resulted in several refereed publications with undergraduate co-authors. In addition, she co-supervises a Ph.D. student and mentors a post-doc.

Kathryn Bollinger cares deeply about her students and what they learn. Even though she teaches hundreds of students each semester, she can call an amazing number of students by name, and regularly hosts so many students in her office hours that she has to reserve a larger room. She creates and posts partial notes to help her students focus on the important concepts during class. Her dedication to our teaching mission and her organizational skills are indispensable beyond the classroom, for example, the common exam retests last fall were extremely well organized and were carried off without a hitch. Kathryn Bollinger spends an enormous amount of time and energy helping students learn; we are pleased to present her with this Teaching Award.

Service Awards

Tamara Carter has assumed a critical leadership role in the Department's outreach efforts as the coordinator for the Texas A&M Mathematics and Statistics Fair, which provides an engaging, educational, and enjoyable mathematical experience for school-age children and the general public. She has undertaken a massive curriculum revamp in the Math 365-366 sequence for future teachers, which will impact many thousands of schoolchildren in the near future. In addition, Tamara Carter serves on the Department's Outreach Committee and on the Academic Professional Track Committee. This award expresses the Department's appreciation for her extensive service efforts.

As Director of Undergraduate Research, **Michael Anshelevich** has worked tirelessly on re-invigorating and significantly expanding our undergraduate research program. Among the main features one can mention significant expansion of mentored undergraduate research, active participation in REU programs around the USA (and at A&M), research presentations at the departmental annual Mathematics Undergraduate Research Expo, the university-wide Student Research Week, MAA MathFest, Nebraska Conference for Undergraduate Women in Mathematics, and AMS Joint Meetings, with students winning awards at each of these. Regionally, the department participates in the rotating LA-TX Undergraduate Mathematics Conference. Finally, Michael Anshelevich has initiated our Undergraduate Research Lecture, now aptly named the Sue Geller Undergraduate Lecture.