

April 24, 2019

I'm pleased to announce that Associate Professor of Feminist Studies, Gina Dent, has been selected as the 2018-19 recipient of the Dizikes Faculty Teaching Award in Humanities.

Named in honor of Professor Emeritus John Dizikes, the award recognizes the pedagogical expertise and exceptional mentorship of faculty and supports students' commitments to academic excellence and serious inquiry.

Students and colleagues offered high praise for Associate Professor Dent's ability to inspire and engage students since her appointment in 2002, and for creating an inclusive learning environment that both challenges and encourages all students. Having taught essential graduate and undergraduate courses in departments across the Humanities and Social Sciences Divisions, Associate Professor Dent's teaching is characterized as "life changing" and rigorous. One student speaks of having written the paper "I am most proud of in my academic career," for a course taken with Associate Professor Dent. Another comment, "This was one of the most influential classes I took at UCSC."

Associate Professor Dent will be presented with the Dizikes Faculty Teaching Award during our Celebrating the Humanities/Spring Awards event on Wednesday, June 5th at the Cowell Ranch Hay Barn. The awards ceremony takes place from 4:00-5:00 pm; the celebration continues until 7:00 pm. I look forward to seeing you there.

Best,
Karen

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Bassi". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial 'K'.

Karen Bassi
Acting Dean of Humanities