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To: Physics Community

From: Marjorie Shapiro, Faculty Advisor for GSI Affairs Mayore Shipiro

Re: 2017-2018 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Awards

The Physics Department is fortunate to have an academic staff that is enthusiastic, dedicated and talented. It is appropriate at this time of the academic year to express our appreciation.

During the 2017-2018 academic year 152 Graduate Student Instructors (GSIs) taught over 5000 students in discussion and laboratory sections. Based upon student evaluations and nominations from students and faculty, fourteen GSIs have been identified for recognition with the Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor (OGSI) Award.

The GSI Teaching and Resource Center will host a reception to honor the 2017-2018 recipients from all departments on May 1. The award certificates will be presented to the Physics OGSIs as part of the Physics, Astronomy, and Engineering Physics Graduation Ceremony to be held on May 15, 2018, at Zellerbach Auditorium.

The following fourteen Physics GSIs were selected to receive the 2017-2018 OGSI Award in recognition of excellence in teaching:

Unpil Baek
Nicholas Cinko
David Dunsky
Yen-Ta Huang
Hadar Lazar
Yik Lok Laurence Leung
Francisco Machado
Michael McManus
Vikram Nagarajan
Zachary Pagel
Eric Parsonnet
Christian Schmid
Winston Yin
Jiaxi Zhao

Besides a certificate of commendation from Graduate Division, each OGSI receives a cash award plus a membership in the American Association of Physics Teachers and a subscription to the AAPT Journal. Professor Robert Karplus established the tradition of the AAPT GIFT memberships, which the Physics Department continues in his honor.