The Mathematical Association Of America
Regulations Governing the Association’s
Deborah and Franklin Tepper Haimo Award
for Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics

1. The awards are to be made to college or university teachers of mathematics who have been widely recognized as extraordinarily successful. Their teaching effectiveness must be documented and, in particular, shown to have influence beyond their own institutions. Teaching is to be interpreted in its broadest sense, not necessarily limited to classroom instruction.

2. Recipients must be members of the Association (teaching in the U.S. or Canada).

3. No more than three awards should be made each year.

4. Each award is to consist of $1,000 and a certificate.

5. The awards should be made at the annual meeting of the Association. The Secretary of the Association shall arrange for publicity concerning the awards and inform the head of each recipient’s institution of the honor to be received. MAA program committees shall be encouraged to invite recipients to make presentations at one of the national meetings.

6. The recipients of the award are to be recommended by a standing committee appointed by the President of the Association. This committee is to consist of eight members, each appointed for a non-renewable term of four years. The terms are staggered (i.e., two new members each year). Former members of the committee are eligible for reappointment after an interim of four years, except that members appointed to fulfill an unexpired term of one year may be reappointed, immediately thereafter, for a full term.

7. The standing committee shall prepare, and later revise as necessary, guidelines for selecting award recipients, describing in detail the information to be submitted by nominators, specifying both content and format, and listing ways of documenting extraordinary accomplishment in teaching mathematics in college or university.

8. At the beginning of the academic year, each Section of the Association shall be invited to nominate one of its members for The Deborah and Franklin Tepper Haimo Award for Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics. Nominations should be sent to the Secretary of the MAA together with the documentation determined by the committee (see 7) by March 1. The section nominee may be the current recipient of the Section Award for Distinguished Teaching or a previous recipient of such an award. (The previous award may have been awarded by a section other than the one submitting the current nomination.)

9. Additional nominations for the Award shall be solicited through an announcement appearing in MAA FOCUS and on the MAA website. These nominations are also due by March 1.

10. In addition, each year the Committee may designate one of the nominees, who is a non-recipient, as a nominee for the Award in the following year. In this case, the nominator should be contacted by the chair of the Haimo Committee and invited to update the nomination.

11. At least one of the Award recipients must be a current Section nominee.

12. At most one of the Award recipients may be other than a current or past recipient of a Section Award for Distinguished Teaching.

13. The standing committee shall send its recommendations to the Secretary by May 1 for presentation to the Board of Governors at MAA MathFest.