

Timothy Crack

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Sent: Monday, October 01, 2007 4:35 PM
To: Timothy Crack
Subject: Congratulations on your nomination for the teachers awards

Dear Teacher

Congratulations! Students have voted you as one of the Top Twenty Teachers at Otago University for 2007. This was judged on a number of criteria including lecture delivery, accessibility to students, and developing student interest in your chosen field. All twenty recipients will be acknowledged at the Teaching Awards Ceremony on the 10th of October from 5:00pm at the Gallery Restaurant in the Staff Club. Complimentary drinks and finger food will also be provided.

A formal invitation will be sent out shortly and so please regard this e-mail as an early notification of your award. At the ceremony we will also present the overall Winner of the Teaching Awards for 2007. This usually entails a short speech and Critic magazine often interviews the winner.

OUSA sincerely hopes you are pleased to hear your good work has been recognised and that you are able to attend next week.

Yours Faithfully

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The OUSA Education Officer
Caroline Haffey invites

Tim Crack

To the 2007 OUSA Teaching Awards

at 5pm on Wednesday the 10th of October

at the Gallery Restaurant

University of Otago Staff Club, 10 Union Place West

For

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Your Students' Association

For web news?

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Students decide lecturer class act

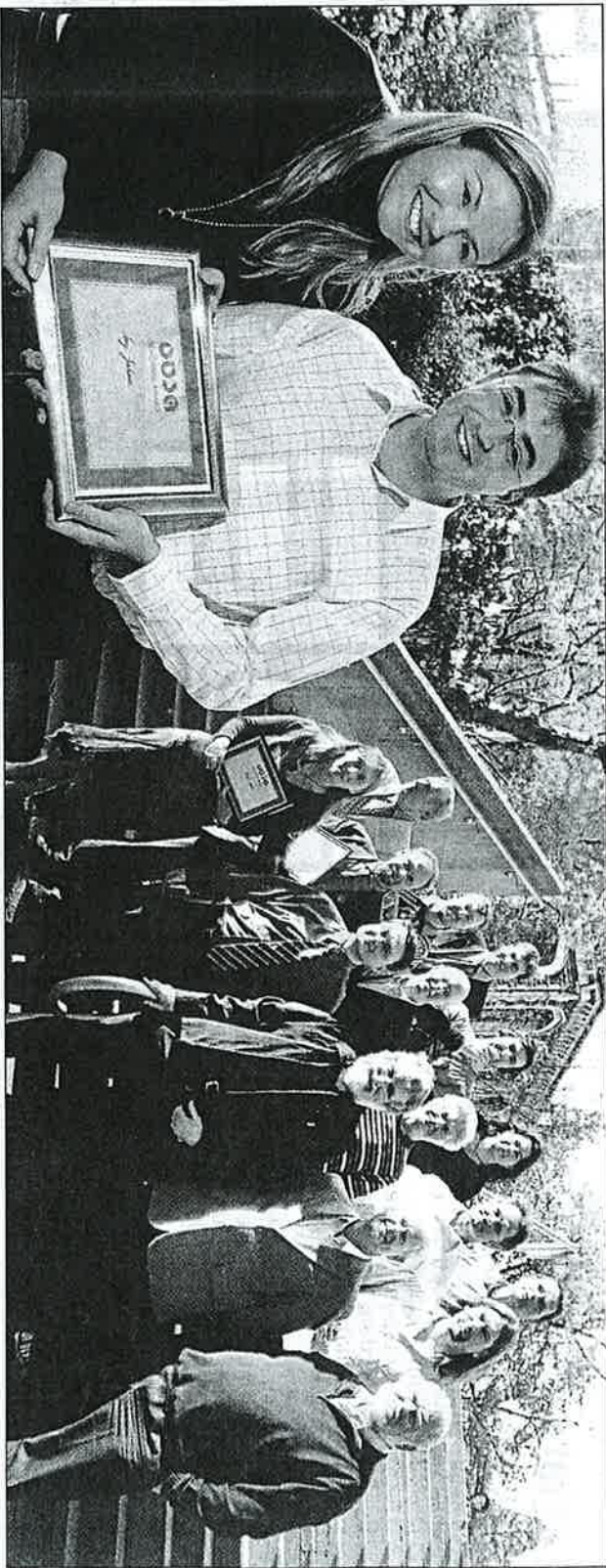
By ALLISON RUDD

LECTURERS make their living by talking and teaching, but Tony Zaharic admitted he was "short for a word" when he was told students had voted him the University of Otago's top teacher for 2007.

"I am sure my students will be surprised to know that I can't think of a word to say," Mr Zaharic, a microbiology lecturer, joked.

The Otago University Students Association has been running the top teacher awards since 2002 to recognise and celebrate teaching excellence. Students are asked to rate lecturers on whether they deliver information enthusiastically, inspire students to learn, have a good sense of humour, are available for help students if needed and are well organised. Students are also encouraged to comment on their favourite lecturers.

USA education officer Caroline Batley said she had been "flooded with votes" this year. There were so many it was decided to honour the top 20 rather than the usual top 10. Mr Zaharic said it was hum-



Leading lecturers . . . USA education officer Caroline Batley congratulates microbiology lecturer Tony Zaharic, who was this week voted by students as the University of Otago's top teacher for 2007. Behind him are most of the other 19 top teacher finalists. PHOTO: PETER MCINTOSH

bling to receive the award. "It is humbling to know that my students, most of whom are first-year health sciences students, have taken the time to vote for me." The 19 finalists were Colin

Campbell-Hunt (management), Paul Hansen (economics), Stephen Smith (law), Anna Carr (tourism), John Smilie (law), Steve Jackson (physical education), Robert Patman (political studies), Timothy Crack (finance

and quantitative analysis), Andrew Long (information science), John Dawson (law), Tom Brooking (history), Stuart McDougall (economics), Shelagh Ferguson (marketing), John Gar- twaine (classics), Jackie Hunter

(psychology), Nigel Stanger (information science), John Tagg (microbiology), Phil Osbourne (marketing), Rob Aitken (marketing). All 20 received certificates and gifts.



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Dear Professor Timothy Crack,

Congratulations!

As you may already know, the Quality Advancement Unit runs a Student and a Graduate Opinion Survey every year. While answering these surveys students and graduates are given the opportunity to comment on several aspects of their University experience. Many respondents spontaneously use this opportunity to commend some members of our academic and general staff. This year your name has been mentioned by at least one of our respondents. To put the comment(s) into context, the survey name and respondent's prospective or completed qualification are provided in parentheses.

The comment(s) is (are):

Prof. Crack has been extremely helpful in BSNS 108, he always explains things well and shows an enthusiasm for the subject. I believe Enthusiasm is the most valuable quality a lecturer can have. [Student Survey comment; BCom in Finance]

Professor Crack is the best lecturer I have had because he focuses more on real life examples rather than just theory. [Student Survey comment; BCom(Hons) in Finance]

Sincerely,

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