

2014 Lorimer Award

CITATION FOR PROFESSOR EDWARD CARTER

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Professor Edward Carter – or Ed, as many of us know him – embodies the spirit of Lorimer Award. His tireless work on behalf of faculty at the University of Guelph and his colleagues across the province has made a tangible difference to academic staff everywhere in Ontario. Ed has accomplished all of this with – as one nominator put it – distinction, dignity, and good humour.

Ed has played many critical roles within the University of Guelph Faculty Association. He served as President of UGFA for two terms, providing leadership during two critical periods in the association's history. Ed also served as chief negotiator for UGFA, leading a successful certification drive and negotiating a first collective agreement. This is an immensely difficult task, and without Ed's patience, insight, and determination, these important initiatives may have well failed. The fact that both the union and the administration lauded this first agreement as "historic" speaks volumes to Ed's skill as a negotiator and a leader.

Ed is also generous in sharing his knowledge with his colleagues across the province. He has made exceptional contributions both to OCUFA's Collective Bargaining Committee and its Board of Directors. As an eager collaborator and engaged mentor, Ed has helped to build the capacity of faculty associations across Ontario.

His nominators express a universal appreciation for Ed's abilities at the bargaining table. One describes his "uncanny ability to reduce the most complex bargaining issues to small smaller and more comprehensible points." Another points to Ed's ability to lead by example, describing his ability to model effective table behavior to all members of the negotiating team.

For these reasons – and indeed many more – we are thrilled to recognized Ed Carter with a 2014 Lorimer Award.