

The Ram Chugh/Senate Outstanding Service Award is conferred by the University Faculty Senate Executive Committee. Nominees for the award must have achieved a reputation for outstanding service in the area of faculty governance at the System and Campus levels. Consideration will be given for a sustained level of commitment for a minimum of five (5) years.

It is my great pleasure to present the Ram Chugh/Senate Outstanding Service Award to Dr. Bruce Simon, our colleague and friend at the State University of New York at Fredonia. This award recognizes Dr. Simon's exceptional service and sustained commitment to faculty governance at both the campus and system-wide levels within SUNY.

The nomination letters we received describe Dr. Simon's remarkable dedication to shared governance over the past two decades plus. His commitment to Fredonia is unwavering, represented by the multiple governance and service roles he has taken on: English Department Chair, campus ombudsman, Chair of the Planning and Budget Advisory Committee, campus Parliamentarian, Chair of the Fredonia Faculty Senate, among others.

At the UFS level, Dr. Simon's contributions have been equally impressive. He has served as a senator, sector representative for the Comprehensive Colleges to the Executive Committee, interim Vice President/Secretary, and currently chairs the Governance Committee. His expertise in shared governance has proven invaluable, as evidenced by his participation in visitation teams and his efforts to assist other campuses in clarifying governance roles and processes.

What truly sets Dr. Simon apart is his ability to foster constructive dialogue and his deep understanding of shared governance principles. In times of campus stress, he has been a voice of reason, working tirelessly to resolve conflicts and implement positive changes. His colleagues praise his passion, expertise, and unwavering dedication to strengthening shared governance at Fredonia and across the SUNY system.

It is with great admiration and gratitude that we honor Dr. Bruce Simon with the Ram Chugh/Senate Outstanding Service Award. His unwavering dedication, expertise, and leadership in shared governance have left an indelible mark on Fredonia, the University Faculty Senate, and the entire SUNY system. Congratulations, Dr. Simon, on this well-deserved recognition.