

## 2024 Dickson Awardee: David Jordan

David Jordan came to UCSD in 1969 as part of the founding faculty in the Department of Anthropology, (specializing in Taiwan). He taught upper-division and graduate courses in Anthropology and served two 5-year terms a Provost of Warren College before retiring in 2004. He continued teaching of a “full load” until his “full retirement” in 2019. His nomination is based on his high level of continuing unpaid service to



UCSD from 2004 to 2019. He continued to teach a variety of courses in anthropology. Beginning in 1988 and continuing into retirement, he annually taught in the first quarter of “Making of the Modern World” (MMW) a year long, inter-disciplinary general education program at Eleanor Roosevelt College (ERC). For that course and his others in anthropology, he developed a large selection of web-based, freely accessible, background materials. For example, they include a vast array of China topics, including essays, reference tables, and countless translations (usually in a choice of English-only or bilingual format), configured to provide easy reference for class discussions or written assignments. These original educational web materials, one of the first such collections on campus and possibly still the largest. They are entirely hand programmed with no UCSD support beyond hosting them. As Professor Department of Anthropology at the University of South Carolina, Marc Moskowitz writes, "Over the years David has become something of a father figure for me, going far beyond his responsibilities as an academic advisor. He has boundless energy and enthusiasm in his courses as well as unflagging emotional and intellectual support for his graduate students."