

Memorandum

Re: Recommendation for Lee Lorch Award 2019

Date: November 2, 2018

To: CAUT Council

From: Robin Vose, CAUT Past President

The CAUT Lee Lorch Award recognizes academics who excel in each of the domains of academic life: teaching, research, and service to the institution and the community. The recipients are individuals whose teaching, research, and service have contributed noticeably to the lives of their students, to their institution, to their field of study, and to our communities.

On behalf of this year's selection jury, it is my pleasure to recommend that the 2018 CAUT Lee Lorch Award be presented to Dr. David Este, of the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Calgary. Dr. Este is a highly respected teacher, mentor, and community activist who has made vast contributions throughout his career above all in the areas of anti-racism, anti-violence, mental health, and multicultural practice. His numerous publications and collaborative projects include the recent books *Racism and Anti-Racism in Canada*, and *Race and Well-Being (The Lives, Hopes, and Activism of African Canadians)*. He has inspired many colleagues and countless students from the undergraduate to the doctoral level, while also championing and guiding new approaches among working practitioners in the field. A tirelessly organizer, Dr. Este is known for his approachability, his kindness, and his generosity to others. He is also an exemplary scholar, who has made a real difference to communities both locally and nationally.

The letter of nomination is included with this memo for the consideration of Council.