UCI ANTHROPOLOGIST RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS HUMBOLDT AWARD

Dr. Douglas White, professor of anthropology at UCI, has received the prestigious Senior U.S. Scientist Award from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation. The awards are given to highly qualified scientists worldwide each year by the government of the Federal Republic of Germany.

As a recipient of the award, White will teach and conduct research in Germany during the next academic year (1990-91.) He plans to spend one semester at the University of Tuebingen, where he will work with Dr. Thomas Schweizer, the German researcher who nominated him for the Humboldt award. White and Schweizer both are leaders in the field of cross-cultural anthropological research.

White also will spend a semester at the University of Cologne, where he will conduct research on the impact of warfare on communities worldwide with Dr. Helmut Lang.

"What is especially exciting about the Humboldt award is that it involves life membership in a scientific community that meets each year," said White. "The research stipend also is renewable every three years, offering an opportunity to return to Germany on a regular basis to continue the research I will begin there next year."

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Scientists from the fields of mathematics, physics, chemistry, biology, medicine, engineering, computer and earth sciences are eligible for the awards. Nominations are made only by German research scientists and institutions of higher education and research.

Other UCI researchers who have received the Humboldt award are Dr. Chang-Lin Tien, executive vice chancellor and Distinguished Professor of Mechanical Engineering; Dr. Larry Overman, professor of chemistry; Dr. Murray Krieger, University Professor of English; Dr. Eric Rentschler, professor of German and director of the Program in Film Studies; Dr. F. Sherwood Rowland, the Bren Professor of Chemistry; and Dr. Alexei Maradudin, professor of physics.

White is a resident of La Jolla.