

2020 PRESIDENT'S AWARD

The President's Award recognizes distinguished service to the University over an extended period of time. The first of 2020's co-honorees has championed the research and creative work of College of Arts and Letters faculty for more than 20 years, acting as a strategic partner in their pursuit of prestigious external grants. Among many other initiatives, he developed infrastructure within the college's Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts focused specifically on advancing social science research. Annual external funding in those fields has increased from about \$500,000 when he arrived to approximately \$10 million today. He also has played a critical role in the success of Notre Dame faculty in NEH Fellowship competitions—unmatched nationwide since 1999—as well as in the college securing three NEH Challenge Grants leading to permanent endowments. Altogether, Arts and Letters has received more than \$240 million in external grants during his tenure.

The University of Notre Dame is proud to present the 2020 President's Award to

Kenneth N. Garcia

Associate Director of the Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts