Yvette Fontaine became the first recipient of the International Impact Award for her career long commitment to the field of international education and invaluable contribution to the University of San Diego; Fontaine was instrumental in establishing the International Students and Scholars Office (formerly known as International Resources Office) in 1986. As the founding Director for the Office of International Students and Scholars, Yvette’s passion to serve was immediately felt as she welcomed all new international students to our campus and tirelessly promote international student and scholar’s contributions to the USD campus and the impact they have made in our community and lead the University of San Diego to the path of internationalization. When her retirement approached in 2013, the International Center, decided to preserve Fontaine’s legacy by creating the International Impact award to continue Yvette’s effort and passion as well as to encourage fellow community members to follow her example in serving USD’s students and promoting campus internationalization.