

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Outstanding Achievement in Teaching Award

Purpose: To recognize faculty members for outstanding teaching performance over an extended period of time.

Eligibility: Tenured faculty status with a minimum of five years of service at ISU and 10 years of classroom experience in higher education.

Nature of the awards: \$500 one-time stipend.

Number of awards: one

Criteria: Documented evidence, including student and peer evaluations, of outstanding classroom teaching performance, supplemented by evidence of instructional contributions outside the classroom.

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING NOMINATIONS FOR COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND LIFE SCIENCES TEACHING AWARDS

The following guidelines are derived from experience in reviewing nominations in previous years, and are intended to help departments make their nominations as strong as possible.

1. **Nomination Statement**: (3 pages maximum) Discuss why the nominee is deserving of the award. Indicate the range of teaching responsibilities which have been performed, describe the aspects of the teaching performance, which distinguish the nominee, and provide specific evidence of meritorious performance.
2. **Vita**: (4 pages maximum) An abbreviated vita which is current and includes all information related to the teaching award.
3. **Statement by the Nominee**: (2 pages) Include a statement of teaching philosophy prepared by the nominee
4. **Letters**: (6 letters maximum) This section should be prefaced with a list of the names and positions of the letter writers and an indication of their relevance to the nomination. Letters should come from current and former students, as well as colleagues. When possible, comments from colleagues should reflect team teaching experiences, observations, or other first hand knowledge of the teaching performance.
5. **Student Evaluation Data**: Student evaluation information should be **displayed in summary form**, including an appropriate range of courses or offerings and reflecting especially the most recent years. Student evaluations should be displayed in the context of college or department norms with a clear explanation of the characteristics being evaluated and the rating scale being used.
6. **Optional Appendix**: Any additional documentation showing significant pedagogical innovation or scholarship, or classroom performance can be included as an appendix.

Applications are to be submitted electronically to the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Awards Committee, 130 Curtiss Hall, by the third Tuesday in November. Nominations are to be coordinated with the department awards committee.

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