

THE PROVOST'S AWARD for INNOVATIVE TEACHING in GENERAL EDUCATION

Purpose

The Provost's Award for Innovative Teaching in General Education (GenEd) recognizes excellence in GenEd course development and teaching. There are three awards available each year. Each winner receives a certificate and a monetary award of \$4,000.

Eligibility

The Provost's Award for Innovative Teaching in GenEd is open to all full-time university faculty who meet the criteria stated below. No faculty member may receive this award more than once every five years.

Criteria

Nominees for the award are expected to meet the following criteria:

- Significant participation in the development of a GenEd course. ¹
- Development of innovative teaching responsive to GenEd goals. ²
- Continuous efforts to evaluate and improve innovative teaching strategies. ³

¹Although the course may be adapted from one that existed before the GenEd program was instituted, preference will be given to a course newly-developed for the GenEd program.

² The GenEd program contains required, desirable and area specific goals. A candidate need not provide evidence related to all of these, but may focus on innovative teaching that furthers some or a single goal.

³ As evidenced by, for example, teaching notes and evolution of assignments, response to student feedback, surveys, use of strategies learned at conferences, the TLC, etc.

Nomination Procedures

Individuals may nominate themselves or others. Candidates not selected for the award may nominate or be nominated in subsequent years.

Nomination Packets

Please submit all materials in a tabbed binder to the Office of the Senior Vice Provost for Faculty Development and Faculty Affairs by (deadline date). The contents of the binder should include:

- A letter of nomination should speak to each of the criteria above;
- The nominee's curriculum vitae;
- A statement of the nominee's teaching philosophy;
- Teaching evaluation summaries for GenEd teaching, including piloting;
- Testimonials and/or letters of recommendation from past or current students, alumni or colleagues. Such letters should be sent directly to GenEd;
- Other documents and materials having direct bearing on the nominee's GenEd teaching achievements.

Schedule

The time schedule for submitting and reviewing nominations is set forth below:

October 2009

A University-wide announcement is made for the solicitation of nominations for the award.

December 1, 2009

Nomination packets are due in the Office of the Senior Vice Provost for Faculty Development and Faculty Affairs in 350 Carnell Hall. Early submissions will be appreciated by the GenEd Awards Committee in order for it to begin the review process.

December 18, 2009 through February 12, 2010

The GenEd Awards Committee conducts its review, informs the Provost and President of its recommendations. The President and/or Provost then informs the awardees, and later the public.

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Faculty Awards Convocation