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To: The University Community

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Re: Great Teacher Awards

I am pleased to continue a great Temple tradition by seeking nominations for the Twenty-second annual Temple University Great Teacher Awards. While both teaching and scholarship are important functions of faculty life, excellence in teaching is not always recognized and celebrated with the same attention as published research. With the Great Teacher Awards, the Temple community honors its outstanding teachers and recognizes the important connection between excellence in scholarship and teaching.

The Temple University Great Teacher Awards were established in 1988 by the Board of Trustees. In 2010, three faculty members will be recognized for their continuous excellence in teaching. Each award carries a stipend of \$15,000, and each awardee will receive a commemorative sculpture. In addition, each recipient's name will be engraved on the wall of the Founder's Garden. The awards are presented at a special convocation in the spring which will honor outstanding faculty and their contributions to Temple's tradition of teaching excellence.

The description of the Great Teacher Award, the guidelines, procedures and timelines for nomination of faculty for this award are attached. They also can be found at:  
<http://www.temple.edu/vpfaculty/awards/index.htm>.

All full-time faculty are eligible to be nominated for these awards. Each department may nominate one of its members. Petitions of nomination signed by twelve students or alumni(ae) may be made directly to the Awards Committee which will advise the nominators on the preparation of the candidate's file. In every case, there should be considerable student and alumni(ae) participation in the process.

Attachment