College of Health and Human Services
Faculty Teaching Excellence Award
Call for Nominations, 2014-2015

The College of Health and Human Service Faculty Teaching Excellence Award in the amount of $1,000 (gross) is presented to a full-time faculty member whose nomination best represents excellence in three primary award criteria. In the event of a team recipient, members will split the award equally.

Who is eligible to submit a nomination?
- WMU faculty member
- WMU staff member
- WMU alumni
- WMU Faculty Specialists
- WMU student
- Community Member

Who is eligible for nomination? All college bargaining unit faculty members, who are tenured or on tenure track, and term faculty

Who is NOT eligible for nomination?
- Unit chairs and directors
- Former recipients

Previous Award Recipients:
Jaclyn West Frasier, 2000
David Orchanian, 2004
Carla Chase, 2008-2009
Linda Reeser, 2011-2012
Molly Vass, 1998-1999
Susan Ponchillia, 2002
Sandra Edwards, 2005
Phil Walcott, 2009-2010
Helen Lee, 2012-2013
Debra Lindstrom-Hazel, 2000
Diane Dirette, 2003
Diane Hamilton, 2006-2007
Sally Vliem, 2010-2011
Mary Stahl, 2013-2014

Award Criteria: The award will relate to teaching excellence in one or more of the following areas:
- Classroom teaching
- Creative/innovative work as regards teaching, fieldwork, or supervision
- Teaching that involves interdisciplinary or collaborative activity

Excellence in performance must be described in the nomination. Nominations should address the particular characteristics of excellence—including specific examples that address the criteria—which define exemplary work. In the case of a team award, preference will be given to interdisciplinary teams over disciplinary teams, and it must be evident that all members of the team contributed equally and that a greater result was achieved as a result of the team endeavor.

As a guideline, higher learning (which is an end-product of teaching excellence) has been defined as “an active, interactive, self-aware process that results in meaningful, long-lasting changes—knowledge, understanding, skills, behaviors, attitudes, beliefs, opinions, and/or values—that cannot be attributed primarily to maturation” (Tom Angelo).

Nomination Process: Nominators should complete the attached nomination form—or write a letter addressing the award criteria—and submit it along with any supporting materials to Patricia Pettinga, Communications Coordinator, CHHS, Western Michigan University, 1903 West Michigan, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5243. Campus Mail Stop: 5243. E-mail: chhs-devcom@wmich.edu. Fax: (269) 387-2683.

Deadline: To be considered, nominations and support materials must be received by 12 noon on Friday, April 10, 2015.
WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
2014-2015 Faculty Teaching Excellence Award
Nomination Form

*Nominations and support materials are due by 12 noon on Friday, April 10, 2015.

Nominator: __________________________________Date: ____________________________

Status: _____ WMU Employee _____ Faculty _____ Student

 _____ Alumna/us _____ Community Representative

Person Nominated: ____________________ Department: ____________________________

Nomination Category: (Check all that apply to your nomination)

 _____ Classroom Teaching _____ Creative/Innovative _____ Interdisciplinary/Collaborative

How long have you known the nominee? ________

Nature of your interaction/experience with nominee:

Please describe in text or by list (in not less than 500 or more than 1,000 words) the reasons why the nominee deserves to receive the CHHS Faculty Teaching Excellence Award. Be specific and relate your rationale to the defining characteristics outlined in the Call for Nominations. Use an additional sheet of paper as required or submit in letter form. If a letter is submitted, attach it to the form.

Are you willing to be interviewed by a member of the award selection committee to elaborate further on your nomination? _____ Yes _____ No

Nominator Signature ____________________________ Phone ________________

E-mail __________________________________________

Address _______________________________________

*Please return this form along with any additional materials which you feel are applicable to your assessment of the nominee’s teaching excellence, including letters of support from colleagues, etc., to Patricia Pettinga, Communications Coordinator, CHHS, Western Michigan University, 1903 West Michigan, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5243. Campus Mail Stop: 5243. E-mail: chhs-devcom@wmich.edu. Fax: (269) 387-2683.

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