

Distinguished Honors Faculty Award

Established in 2016, this annual award recognizes an honors faculty member for contributions to the Honors College through highly effective teaching and mentoring of honors students. The award will be presented at the annual Honors College Graduation Luncheon held each spring.

Award Criteria:

1. The faculty member must be affiliated with a department outside of the Honors College.
2. The faculty member must have taught honors course(s) for a minimum of 4 semesters (may be non-consecutive).
3. Evidence of service to the Honors College through effective teaching and/or mentoring in honors course(s), which may include
 - a. excellent teaching evaluations
 - b. innovative classroom assignments or pedagogy
 - c. mentoring students in capstone projects or theses
 - d. mentoring students for state, regional or national presentations related to honors coursework
 - e. development of new honors courses
 - f. leadership in development of tracks, cohorts or study abroad programs
 - g. sharing honors teaching and learning strategies in presentations or published scholarship

Nomination and selection procedure:

- Honors students may nominate candidates for the award. An email will be sent to Honors students to solicit nominations in spring semester.
- Honors College personnel may nominate candidates for the award.
- Self-nominations will not be accepted.
- A selection committee composed of the president of the Honors Club, Honors SGA senator, and Honors faculty and administrators will determine the recipient.

Presentation:

- The award will be presented at the annual spring awards luncheon.
- The recipient's department chair will be invited to attend.