

College of Education Faculty, Staff, and Student Awards  
Nomination Form

**CANDIDATE INFORMATION**

Name of award: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Job title: \_\_\_\_\_

Office address: \_\_\_\_\_ Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOMINATOR INFORMATION**

Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_

Office address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

ALL Nomination packets must include the following supporting documents:

- **Nomination Form**
- **Nominator's letter** *\*Specifics to highlight are listed under the award descriptions*
- **Candidate's vita or resume** *(Not applicable to the Outstanding Staff Award)*
- **TWO additional letters of support**

**Email Completed Nomination Packet  
to: Janel Fitzgerald**

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The **Career Achievement Award** recognizes faculty who are approaching the end of their careers. Teaching, research and service excellence over time provide the basis for being recognized with the Career Achievement Award. Typically, the nominee must have spent at least five years in residence at Penn State.

***\*Nomination letter should highlight:***

- Nominee's contributions to the Department, College, University, and the Discipline.
- Nominee's teaching, research, and service achievements.

The **Outstanding Researcher Award** recognizes exemplary performance in the conduct of research by a College of Education faculty member.

A **Junior** faculty member may be nominated for the *Outstanding Researcher Award*. This award typically recognizes the significance of a particular contribution to the research literature.

A **Senior** faculty member may be nominated for the *Senior Outstanding Researcher Award*. This award recognizes the overall impact of one's research and is typically given to a faculty member who has achieved national and international recognition.

***\*Nomination letter should highlight:***

- Significance – should situate one's work within nominee's field of study.
- Productivity – refers to the volume of production as well as the frequency of citation.
- Impact – refers to the degree to which the nominees' research impacts policy and practice.

The **Outstanding Teaching Award** recognizes exemplary teaching performance in the classroom. Outstanding teaching implies the use of new instructional content and instructional approach as well as the use of emerging state-of-the-art technology. Undergraduate and graduate instruction may be recognized.

***\*Nomination letter should highlight:***

- Unique use of pedagogy.
- Innovative use of classroom technology.
- Impact on students.

The **Outstanding Staff Award** honors both exempt and non-exempt staff members who contribute in significant ways to the quality of life within the College. Outstanding staff enable administrators, faculty, and student success by creating and fostering positive social environments, facilitating communication, and promoting improved methods of productivity.

This award can be given to one **Exempt** AND one **Non-exempt** staff member. (Please indicate status under "Award Name" on the nomination form.)

***\*Nomination letter should highlight:***

- Nominee's contributions to their program or department and/or to the College as a whole.

*Note: A resume is not required as part of the supporting documents for this award.*

The **Climate Enhancement Award** recognizes contributions to the pursuit of the College's diversity agenda. *Award is open to all faculty, staff and students in the College of Education.*

***\*Nomination letter should highlight:***

- Nominee's contributions to the pursuit of the College's diversity agenda.

The **Graduate Student Recognition Award** intends to recognize an advanced graduate student's contribution to research and/or teaching. Publications, conference presentations, external recognition from one's professional association, and exemplary teaching are examples of outstanding performance that may be recognized. The nominee must be enrolled as a full-time graduate student in the College of Education.

***\*Nomination letter should highlight:***

- Nominee's outstanding activities.

The **Undergraduate Student Leadership and Service Award** recognizes undergraduate student leaders. Candidate must be enrolled as a full-time baccalaureate student in the College of Education who is at least a junior and has maintained a 3.0 grade average and demonstrated interest and actions that enhance the purpose of the College of Education.

***\*Nomination letter should highlight:***

- Nominee's promotion of leadership and service to individuals, the University, and civic life.
- Nominee's fostering of personal and professional development of peers through example.