

Faculty Mentor of the Year Award Department of Pharmacy Practice

Purpose: This award serves to honor a faculty member's commitment to mentoring professional and/or graduate students in their research efforts or professional development.

Eligibility: All faculty (part or full-time, including adjunct faculty) in the Department of Pharmacy Practice are eligible for nomination. To be considered for the award, a faculty member must be nominated by either another faculty member familiar with the nominee's mentorship or a professional/graduate student, resident, or fellow. Once nominated, the faculty member must complete the nomination packet to be considered for the award. A faculty member receiving the award will not be eligible for nomination for the subsequent three years.

The announcement for nominations will occur after Spring Break and will include dissemination to professional/graduate students and residents/fellows (through IPTeC program).

Examples of nomination criteria:

- Fosters long term professional development of mentees
- Shares time and expertise to advance mentee's path for success
- Assists mentees in acquiring the skills necessary for success in their chosen careers
- Encourages student attendance at local, regional, and national conferences
- Continues advice and support beyond degree completion
- Provides professional and emotional support, especially when obstacles occur in the educational/research process
- Provide opportunities for professional growth (i.e., presentations, collaborative work, publications, networking with others in the discipline)

Nomination Packet:

1. Modified Curriculum Vitae, indicating mentorship responsibilities (no more than 2 pages)
2. A statement regarding the philosophy/approach to mentorship (500 words)
3. Letter of support no longer than two pages (from the nominator)
 - a. To what extent has the nominee provided outstanding personal support/development
 - b. To what extent has the nominee helped shape the work or career of mentees
4. One or two letters of support (maximum length of two pages for each letter) from current OR former students (professional or graduate), residents, or fellows (encouraged, but optional)

Submission: Nominations should be submitted by email to the chair of the review committee by the deadline. The chair of the committee will notify all nominees regarding their nomination. Nominees will have 4 weeks to submit the remaining parts of the nomination packet.

Nominations are due to the chair by March 1. Full applications are due to the chair by April 1. Award announcements will be made at the annual Department retreat.

Selection Committee: Selection committee will not only include departmental faculty members, but also at least one individual from each of the following groups: professional program students, residents/fellows from any program, and graduate students.

Award: The award includes a plaque to the individual receiving the award. A Faculty Mentor Award plaque also will be hung in the department offices listing the past winners. Presentation of the award will occur at the annual departmental retreat.