



Dean's Undergraduate Research Mentor Award

Purpose: The Undergraduate Research Mentor Award recognizes faculty who exemplify the highest ideals of faculty/student engagement in research, scholarship and creative activity. The award honors faculty whose mentoring serves as an example to the campus by combining a commitment to scholarship, professional, or creative work with innovative and effective undergraduate teaching. Recipients of this award contribute to their discipline through the development of their own scholarship or creative activity alongside that of their students. By maintaining active engagement within their field and bringing undergraduate students into the discipline, exemplary faculty mentors leverage their own professional, disciplinary and academic networks to the advantage of new scholars.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. Engaged Student Research and Creative Productivity
 - Evidence of the significance of the nominee's student's work.
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2. Research Interests
 - Evidence of the integration of the nominee's disciplinary engagement with his/her achievements as a research mentor for undergraduate students.

Nomination Process: A complete packet will include:

- A one-page support letter from an undergraduate student.
- A one-page support letter from a faculty member.
- A one-page statement of mentoring philosophy from the nominee.
- A one-page summary of student projects and achievements over the past academic year.
- A curriculum vita.

Complete Packets: Complete nomination packets are limited to four pages excluding the curriculum vita. They shall be submitted to the LCBAS Dean's Office.

Deadline: 4:30 p.m. on Monday, March 23, 2015.

Selection: The college award vetting committee will be empanelled by the dean and shall include faculty representatives and one student. Members of the selection committee cannot be nominees or write letters of support for nominees.

Recognition: The Undergraduate Research Mentor Award recipient will be recognized during the Undergraduate Research Showcase and may be invited to provide a presentation or assistance in advancing undergraduate research at Eastern Illinois University during the coming academic year.

Award: The recipients will receive a plaque and \$500 to support their students' research activities.