Provost’s Outstanding Graduate Faculty Mentor Award

The Graduate School solicits nominations from across Purdue University – West Lafayette Campus for the Provost’s Award for Outstanding Graduate Faculty Mentor. Nominees can be from any college/school but must be a current graduate faculty member on the West Lafayette campus.

Nominees must demonstrate sustained and significant contributions to graduate education at Purdue University through activities such as:

- Well-structured relationships with students that lead to successful completion of masters and doctoral degrees. These relationships include service on committees, mentoring, funding, intellectual and creative support, advocacy, and respect for students;
- Innovative graduate teaching;
- Significant administration of graduate programs

Up to two awards of $2,500 each will be awarded. Awards to be presented at a banquet to honor recipients the beginning of May.

Process

Nominating documents will be limited to 5 pages, exclusive of the c.v. and support letters, and include – Assembled in the order indicated

- A cover sheet with nominee’s name, contact information (see attached sample below);
- Four letters of support: one from the nominator, a Purdue administrator, (department head; dean, etc.) and three from FORMER students (~1 page each).
- Nominee’s reflection (written in first person) on involvement in various aspects of graduate education (1-2 pages); this section should be written by the nominee and include, but not be limited to, innovations in graduate mentoring and graduate administrative service;
- C.V. (include education; Purdue position; graduate courses taught; significant publications [indicate publications co-authored with graduate students by highlighting graduate student(s) name])
- List of past masters and doctoral students for whom the nominee served as major professor and their current positions if available (1-2 pages);
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Nomination process:

- Nominations should be forwarded to the Dean of the Graduate School by the relevant academic dean or, in the case of interdisciplinary graduate programs, by the Office of Interdisciplinary Graduate Programs.
- The nomination process at the college or school level should include input from graduate faculty and graduate students. Academic deans will select one nominee to send forward to the Graduate School as a finalist.

Awardees will be determined from college/school nominees by a committee composed of the graduate faculty (selected by the Graduate School) and graduate students (selected by the president of the Purdue Graduate Student Government).