

Outstanding Graduate Faculty Mentor Award

Criteria

- ✓ Current graduate faculty member on the West Lafayette campus
- ✓ From any college/school
- ✓ 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

Process

- Two awards of \$2,500 each for 2008-2009
- Nominations requested in the fall semester, 2008; awards announced at the all-University Honors Convocation, spring 2009.
- Nominating documents will be limited to 5 pages, exclusive of the c.v. and support letters, and include
 - A cover sheet with nominee's name, contact information (see attached sample below);
 - C.V. (include education; Purdue position; graduate courses taught; significant publications [indicate publications co-authored with graduate students by an asterisk on each graduate student's name])
 - Nominee's reflection 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;
 - List of past masters and doctoral students for whom the nominee served as major professor and their current positions if available (1-2 pages);
 - Four letters of support: one from a Purdue administrator (department head; dean, etc.) and three from past students (~1 page each).
- 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 a maximum number of nominees in proportion to the college's/school's number of graduate students (based on fall enrollment data):

- Agriculture (8%)	1
- CFS (2%)	1
- Education (6%)	1
- Engineering (30%)	3
- Liberal Arts (15%)	2

- Management (11%)	1
- Pharmacy, Nursing, Health Sciences (3%)	1
- Science (15%)	2
- Technology (4%)	1
- Vet Medicine (2%)	1
- Interdisciplinary GPs (4%)	<u>1</u>
<u>Total</u>	15

- 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) and representing the behavioral sciences, the chemistry-based sciences, engineering and physical sciences, humanities and social sciences, life sciences, and management sciences.
- **Time line:**
 - Request for nominations released October 2008
 - Nominations received in the Graduate School by February 2, 2009
 - Awardees determined by March 2, 2009
 - Awards presented at Honors Convocation in April by dean of the Graduate School

[sample cover sheet]

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Nominee: Professor XYZ

Department/School/Program: Department/School/ Program of ABC

[Nominee Contact Information]

Nominator:
[Nominator Contact Information]