TO: The University Community  
DATE: November 23, 2020  
FROM: Andrew C. Carnie, Ph.D.  
Dean of the Graduate College  
SUBJECT: Graduate Teaching and Mentoring Awards for Graduate Education

Annually, the Graduate College recognizes excellence in graduate teaching and mentorship at the University of Arizona. More than ever, we need to come together as a community to celebrate achievements in graduate education. As a member of our graduate community, we ask you to nominate faculty and teaching professionals who excel in their teaching and mentoring of graduate and professional students.

The Graduate College presents two awards for excellence in graduate teaching and mentorship. Each winner receives a check for $2,500.00, a medallion, and a plaque. Awardees are also invited as honored guests to attend an Awards of Distinction Ceremony hosted by the Office of the Provost.

Tenure-track, tenured, and non-tenure eligible faculty who demonstrate a long-standing commitment to graduate education are eligible. Candidates may be nominated by students, staff, faculty members, department heads, graduate program directors, or deans.

A committee of faculty members and university professionals will review the nomination packets and make their recommendations to the Dean of the Graduate College. Reviewers will look for evidence of excellence in both teaching and mentoring of graduate students.

For the nomination packet, please include a single PDF containing:

- A nomination letter, specifically addressing the candidate’s qualifications for the award. Please provide specific examples to demonstrate the exceptional quality of both graduate teaching and mentoring by the nominee. There may be multiple signatures on the nomination letter.
- A current curriculum vitae for the nominee.
- List of graduate courses taught within the last three years at the University of Arizona.
- List of graduate student committees and advisees, as well as service on committees directly related to graduate education (e.g., Graduate Committees, Graduate Council, Graduate Admissions, etc.).
- Evidence of diversity and inclusion in graduate teaching and mentorship.
- Letters of support with at least two letters from graduate students.

All nomination packets are due on Friday, February 5, 2021 by close of business and should be submitted using our online form which can be found at: https://grad.arizona.edu/forms/teachmentor.

For questions regarding submission please contact Lori D’Anna, ldanna@email.arizona.edu, 520-621-7815.

For questions regarding the content of the nomination packet please contact Maggie Pitts, Ph.D., Associate Dean, mjpitts@email.arizona.edu