Outstanding Community Engagement Award

The college invites nominations for the Outstanding Community Engagement Award. This award aims to recognize faculty members in the College of Education and Human Sciences for exceptional creativity and scholarship in the development, application, and evaluation of outreach, Extension, and public service programs.

Award Details

The recipient will receive $500 in professional development funds and an engraved plaque inscribed with their name and the award’s title. The college’s award recipient will become the college nominee for the APLU Board on Health and Human Sciences’ Outstanding Engagement Award.

Eligibility

- Faculty members who have been employed in the College of Education and Human Sciences for at least three (3) years.
- Nominees must have at least 30 percent of their FTE dedicated to public service, outreach and/or Extension programs. (Administrative appointments in these areas do not qualify a nominee.)

Evaluation Criteria

The criteria for this award are based on criteria adapted from the APLU Board on Health and Human Sciences’ Outstanding Engagement Award.

Nominations will be assessed based on the nominee’s exceptional creativity and scholarship in the development, application, and evaluation of outreach, Extension, and public service programs.

Nomination Period

The nomination period begins on November 15. All nominations must be submitted by 11:59 p.m., February 16, 2024. The award recipient will be notified during the spring semester, followed by a college-wide announcement.
Nomination Procedure

Nominations may be submitted by any faculty member or staff member in the College of Education and Human Sciences; faculty may self-nominate.

Complete the online nomination form here. The nomination dossier for this award includes:

1. A statement detailing the nominee’s outstanding achievements and outcomes (impacts) in the areas of public service, Extension, and outreach presented in two pages or less. This may be provided directly by the nominee or in the form of a letter of support from a faculty member or administrator in the College of Education and Human Sciences.

2. The nominee’s curriculum vita.

3. A letter providing a detailed account of the nominee’s FTE allocation for the past three years showing that the faculty member has invested at least 30% of his/her appointment in community engagement-related programs and/or projects (e.g., Extension programs, outreach projects, community-based service learning, integrated grants, and community-based applied research/evaluation). This may be supplied by a unit head, assistant or associate unit head, or the Associate Dean for Extension and Engagement.

4. Up to three excerpts of relevant supporting materials. Examples of supporting materials include journal articles, manuals, curricula, media, papers presented, books, and other materials as deemed appropriate.

The college’s Faculty Development and Research Committee (FDRC) serves as the college review and selection committee and typically requires that nominations be submitted in mid-February. The FDRC makes a recommendation for the award recipient to the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies early in the spring semester.