

## **Title: DIVERSITY FACULTY ADVOCATE AWARD**

**Purpose:** The Diversity Faculty Advocate Award honors the cumulative contributions of a full-time faculty member to advance diversity at KSU. The advocacy should be continuous, extend beyond a minimum of five years, and involve mentoring of diverse students and faculty, curriculum, academic research, teaching, and advising students or student organizations.

**Eligibility:** Any full-time teaching faculty with an earned terminal degree (or equivalent) and a minimum of 5 years of service at KSU with a total of 10 years of higher education experience is eligible to apply for the award. Administrators with faculty rank are ineligible for faculty awards (i.e., receives a Contract for Faculty Ranked Administrators). In other words, only faculty members who have been issued a fiscal or academic year Tenured Personnel or Non-Tenured Personnel contract are eligible for this award. Award winners are eligible to reapply once every 5 years. The award recipient must be under contract at KSU when the award is presented.

**Award Amount:** Each award consists of \$5,000 and a plaque.

**Number and Frequency of Awards:** One award will be presented annually.

**Award Criteria:** The candidate must demonstrate a sustained record of serving as a diversity advocate. The recipient must have contributed in significant ways to strengthening the overall climate of diversity of KSU.

- Be of such stature and accomplishment that students, faculty, and staff of KSU will take pride in and be inspired by his/her recognition
- Be an individual whose contributions to advancing equity with respect to all areas of diversity that have resulted in a positive campus outcome.

**Application Procedures:** Submit the following via e-mail to **Dr. Erik Malewski:**

- A completed Cover Sheet (see below);
- A 3-5 page summary statement by the nominee highlighting his/her achievements in diversity advocacy. Documentation should include citations, recognitions, and materials demonstrating a commitment to diversity;
- The summary must be single spaced using 12 point Times New Roman font with one inch margins;
- A current curriculum vitae;
- A maximum of three external (outside KSU) letters in support of the nomination by people who are not affiliated with the university;
- All materials must be compiled into a single pdf document.

**Application Deadline:** March 13, 2017 at 5:00 pm

**Evaluation Criteria and Procedures:** The Diversity Faculty Advocate Selection Committee will look for contributions that possess positive efforts to advocate on behalf of all members of the university community. Nominations will be evaluated by a university committee including one member from each of the degree granting colleges.

The recipient will be recognized at the University's annual Honors and Awards Ceremony in Fall and agrees to be present.

**Questions:** Contact [emalewsk@kennesaw.edu](mailto:emalewsk@kennesaw.edu)

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**COVER SHEET - DIVERSITY FACULTY ADVOCATE AWARD**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

College: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_