Title: Outstanding Part Time Teaching Award

The Outstanding Part Time Teaching Award is designed to encourage, reward, and publicly acknowledge sustained excellence in teaching by part time faculty. The award recognizes excellence in teaching practices that reflect the highest standards pedagogy, a record of outstanding teaching effectiveness, the ability to inspire, promote, and sustain the intellectual development of students, course and program development, fostering of critical thinking and independent inquiry of students.

Eligibility: Any part-time teaching faculty, with a minimum of two (2) complete years of service at KSU. (Two complete years is defined as having taught and completed a minimum of four (4) semesters at KSU in any combination of Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters; one of which must have been within the last academic year). Administrators with faculty rank are ineligible for part time teaching awards. Award winners are eligible to receive an award once every 5 years.

Award Amount: Each award consists of $500 and a plaque.

Number and Frequency of Awards: One award may be presented annually in each of the degree granting colleges.

Award Criteria: The following are non-ranked examples of accomplishments that may be included as evidence:

- Evidence of consistent excellent teaching;
- Student success and/or accomplishments;
- Advising and/or mentoring of students (e.g., internships, directed studies, study abroad);
- Intellectually rigorous, creative, and engaging pedagogy;
- Development, and/or innovative instructional techniques and technologies.

Evaluation Criteria and Procedures: Selection of award recipients will utilize either standing college award committees or ad hoc award committees following procedures established in each college. The awards committee will look for originality, creativity and productivity and for evidence of outstanding teaching and mentoring. Factors to be considered will also include teaching load, course level, and some form of the evaluation of teaching from students and colleagues and other contributions to the department. The criteria for the final selection process will be determined by the selection committee.

The honorees will be recognized at the University’s annual Honors and Awards Ceremony at the beginning of fall semester and agrees to be present if selected.

Questions: Contact the Office of the Dean of your college.

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