

## 2022 College of Science Excellence in Teaching Award

### Purpose

The Awards recognize and reward outstanding Northeastern University College of Science (COS) faculty for excellence in teaching. These teaching awards were established to confer honor upon individuals whose inspiration and contributions to student learning are truly significant.

In addition, each year, the college may nominate one faculty member for a University Excellence in Teaching award. The nominee for a university award is chosen from among the recipients of a college award.

### Award

The award is presented annually. Each awardee receives a certificate and \$1000. Up to three awards will be given each year.

### Eligibility

All full-time faculty members in the College of Science are eligible. Nominees must have completed at least three consecutive years of teaching experience in the Northeastern University College of Science prior to nomination. Eligible faculty must have taught at least two different classroom, laboratory, seminar, or on-line/hybrid courses during the past two years. All candidates are expected to have taught within the calendar year preceding nomination. Faculty may be nominated on the basis of graduate teaching, but their qualifying experience must include undergraduate teaching. While research supervision of individual students may be cited in support of a candidate, nominations should be based primarily on class instruction.

### Qualifications

All candidates must have:

- Demonstrated success as a teacher by combining mastery of the subject matter with an ability to inspire students to higher levels of scholarship and intellectual curiosity;
- Improved the tools of and/or conditions for teaching (e.g., the development or redesign of courses, curricula and/or laboratories, application of innovative teaching strategies and/or assessment, fostering an inclusive learning environment);
- Consistently demonstrated teaching effectiveness that exceeds the normal expectation for a faculty member.

### Nominations

Except for department chairs, program directors, and administrators in the Dean's office, any student, staff, or faculty member in the College of Science may nominate candidates. Nominations are made via an [online nomination form](#). Nominations may be made at any time within a calendar year before **December 1** for awards bestowed the following spring.

## Selection

Selection of awardees involves a preliminary review to identify a slate of not more than six finalists, at least half of whom must have been nominated by students. The College of Science Ad Hoc Teaching Award Advisory Committee will make recommendations to the Dean on that year's awardees based on each nominee's eligibility, qualifications, comments from nominators, input from department chairs and program directors, and student evaluations. The advisory committee will comprise three College of Science faculty members who have been recognized for their own excellence in teaching, including, but not limited to, winning the COS Excellence in Teaching Award. The advisory committee will request from finalists the following:

- A curriculum vitae;
- A letter of support from the department chair or program director;
- A teaching statement highlighting teaching accomplishments in the last three years;
- The names of 20 students with at least 6 students from each of at least two different classes in the last two years. These students will be asked to provide comments.

***All materials are due from the nominees by Jan 15, 2022***

## Frequency

Past recipients are not eligible for a period of five academic years after receiving the award.