

GSE Faculty 4 STAR Awards 2016. Call for Nominations.

Deadline April 1st, 2016

GSE Faculty 4 S.T.A.R. Awards were established by GSE's Executive Committee (2014-2015) to help recognize the excellent work of our faculty in all the ways they contribute to GSE's mission expressed through Service, Teaching, Advising, and Research. The purpose of the GSE Faculty 4 STAR Awards is to recognize individual faculty excellence in each of these four areas so critical to GSE's mission using, GSE workload guidelines, contributions to UB 2020, and the Envisioning themes. Nominations will be reviewed by a faculty and student committee representing each GSE department.

Eligibility

Any full-time faculty member (tenure-track and non-tenure track) is eligible for nomination. Everyone is eligible for **all four categories** of Service, Teaching, Advising, and Research each year (including previous winners) including those faculty members who may have been on sabbatical for part of the nomination year.

Nominations

Nominations for this year are based on faculty efforts performed July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015. Anyone can nominate candidates for any award; self nominations are also accepted. A nomination requires one nominating letter and at least one supporting letter and at least one other sample of evidence of excellence such as student testimonials, community letters, examples of student work or projects, or other recommendations.

Award

All **four** winners for the Service, Teaching, Advising, and Research Awards will be announced and receive a plaque in a GSE Faculty meeting. Winners will be featured on the GSE website and in press releases and newsletters.

Committee

Each department self-selects one faculty member and one student member to serve on this committee. In the event of a tie vote, the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs will cast the deciding vote. If a selection committee member is nominated and wishes to be considered, he or she must recuse himself or herself from the committee.

Submission Deadline

The deadline for nominations is **Friday, April 1st, 2016**. Winners will be announced **May 4th, 2016** at the GSE Faculty Meeting.

All nominations should be submitted via email sent to: GSEDean@buffalo.edu

- Nomination Letter
- Nominee's Acceptance Letter
- At least one artifact or sample evidence
- 2015 GSE Faculty 4 STAR Nomination form

The phrase "STAR Award" MUST be in the email subject line to be considered. Incomplete submissions will not be reviewed.

Criteria for each of the STAR Awards are as follows:

Faculty ***Service*** Award

- Evidence of active service to UB, GSE, department, or program by *leading* committees to complete significant projects.
- Evidence of active service as an officer of a professional organization, an international organization, national organization, state organization, or local organization.
- Evidence of active service to a professional organization, an international organization, national organization, state organization, or local organization by *leading* a committee or task force to complete significant projects.
- Evidence of sustained service through involvement in international organizations, national organizations, state organizations, local organizations, or the university.
- Evidence of active service as a student organization advisor.
- Evidence of a fundamental/formative and long-term positive impact on the life of the department, program, GSE, UB, or the profession.

Faculty ***Teaching*** Award

- Evidence of maintaining rigorous academic standards for students related to coursework.
- Evidence of pedagogical expertise is demonstrated in the content area he/she teaches
- Evidence of being responsive to learners' needs
- Evidence that he/she attends to the development of students' intellectual growth not related to specific coursework (i.e., doctoral cohort meetings national conferences, job talks; writing groups)
- Evidence of participation in the development of new courses, programs, and/or coursework materials
- Evidence of contribution that lead to creating a positive culture of learning within one's department and/or GSE.

Faculty ***Advising*** Award

- Evidence of discussing, monitoring and guiding advisees' by providing them with accurate information with the: (a) planning of their coursework; (b) requirements of their major; and (c) graduation requirements
- Evidence of maintaining a schedule that demonstrates accessibility and responsiveness to advisees' through office hours and email
- Evidence of consultation with advisees regarding their professional growth and career development
- Evidence that faculty member demonstrates resourcefulness when supporting advisees: refers advisees to appropriate person(s) or office to obtain important information not available to the advisor and collaborates with advisee on issues areas of need,

Faculty **Research** Award

- Evidence of quality, significance, and originality of the nominee's scholarly work (e.g., publication venue, quantity of publications, monographs, book chapters, professional and technical documents). Potential ways to measure impact may be, but is not limited to, awards, acclaim, reviews, and/or citations.
- Evidence that the nominee's work has had an impact on either the research community or the enactment of research findings in practice.
- Evidence of innovation / originality related to any of the following: (a) findings, (b) research method(s), (c) practices for learning and instruction, leadership, counseling, information organization and services, (d) development of assessment(s), and (e) frameworks or models.
- Evidence of outstanding contribution to the enhancement of the University's research goals

2015 GSE Faculty 4 STAR Award Nomination Form

Year 2014-2015

Nominee Name:	Nominee Department:
Nominator Name(s):	Nominator Organization(s):
Supporter Name(s):	Supporter Organization(s):
Category of Award (Please place an X in front of the correct category). ___ Service ___ Teaching ___ Advising ___ Research	
Summary Description of Award Nomination Activities: 	
<p>Must include at least one other sample of evidence of excellence such as student testimonials, community letters, examples of student work or projects or other recommendations. Evidence information can be a written inclusion below or be sent as an attached to nomination form.</p> <p>Evidence (Required): </p> <p>Evidence (Optional): </p> <p>Evidence (Optional): </p>	