

University of Regina Provost's Award for Innovation in Teaching

Award Guidelines:

The Provost's Award for Innovation in Teaching recognizes faculty members with excellence in pedagogical innovation. In the context of this award, pedagogical innovation may refer to a number of innovative practices, including but not limited to: the innovative use of technology; innovative approaches to pedagogy that support equity, diversity, inclusion, and accessibility; innovative practices for the Indigenization of curriculum and instruction; innovative assessment practices; and innovative approaches to student engagement. One award will be given annually to an individual who has displayed evidence of outstanding innovative practices in teaching and learning at the University of Regina and/or its Federated Colleges.

Recipients will receive a framed certificate and \$2,000 to be used by the recipient in support of teaching activities and professional development in teaching. Recipients will also be invited to deliver a public lecture on a pedagogy-related topic. In addition, the recipient's name and award will be displayed on a plaque in a public space in the University.

Award Criteria:

Candidates include all current faculty, instructors, and sessional lecturers employed by the University of Regina or its Federated Colleges. Recipients can be awarded the prize only once. An individual can only be nominated for one CTL teaching award per year.

Over their most recent years of teaching at the University of Regina and/or its Federated Colleges, candidates are expected to have:

- A demonstrated ability to interest, engage, excite, inspire, and motivate students to achieve a high standard.
- A demonstrated and sustained use of/engagement with proficient and effective pedagogy.
- A demonstrated record of innovation in teaching.
- Evidence of significant contributions to enhancing the educational activities of the University of Regina and/or its Federated Colleges.
- Evidence of student learning, and not just student satisfaction.
- Evidence of ongoing professional development in teaching and learning.

Application Procedures:

- Candidates must be nominated by a dean, associate dean, department head, academic staff member, or alumnus of the University of Regina or its Federated Colleges who can attest to the nominee's excellence in innovative teaching.
- A nomination letter will be completed by the nominator to explain how the candidate has displayed outstanding innovative practices in their teaching.
 - The nomination letter should discuss the candidate's innovative teaching, mentoring, educational leadership, development of innovative materials, and highlight compelling evidence that demonstrates impact on and enhancement of the student learning experience.
- A curriculum vitae documenting relevant material must be included.
- A nomination portfolio will be constructed by the nominee to showcase the best possible evidence of excellence in experiential learning. The portfolio, with a maximum length of ten pages, should include a teaching philosophy, a statement and evidence of teaching responsibilities, and a description of experiential learning activities and their impact. Alternative formats for supporting documentation (e.g., multimedia, video, etc.) are welcome.
- Up to four support letters (in addition to the nomination letter) with at least one letter from a colleague and at least two letters from former students must be provided. Students who provide letters of support must not be currently taking a class with the candidate.
- The nomination letter, the curriculum vitae, the nomination portfolio, and the support letters must be submitted electronically by the nominator to ctl@uregina.ca.

Adjudication:

- Nominations will be reviewed by an adjudication committee. The adjudication committee will comprise four faculty members of the CTL Advisory Committee, a senior Educational Developer from CTL, and the CTL Director. The faculty members must be from different Faculties. The CTL Director will chair the adjudication committee.
- The adjudication committee makes recommendations to the University President. The committee chair will forward the names of the nominees recommended by the adjudication committee to the University President for the President's endorsement.