## Faculty of Applied Health Sciences Award for Excellence in Teaching

## **Eligibility**

Candidates must be full-time members of the Brock University teaching faculty who have completed three years of employment at Brock University and who have been nominated in accordance with the procedure described below. A faculty member may only win the award once in his/her career.

#### Nomination Procedures

Each nomination must be accompanied by letters from two nominators, who must individually give reasons for the nomination. Nomination dossiers should be submitted to the Dean's Office on or before **February 15**<sup>th</sup> of each year.

# **Nomination Document** (Teaching Dossier)

Evidence should be provided within the framework of a Teaching Dossier. In addition to the nomination form and letters, the dossier must include:

- 1. A curriculum vitae
- 2. A statement of teaching philosophy
- 3. A list of courses taught in the last five years, with enrolment figures
- 4. Course evaluations (summary of quantitative scores and a representative sample of qualitative evaluations)
- 5. Further evidence of teaching excellence (e.g., solicited and unsolicited testimonial letters from students, alumni, teaching assistants, graduate students, fellow faculty members and/or administrators)
- 6. Evidence, where possible to provide, of innovation and leadership in teaching and learning.

Nominees are also *strongly encouraged* to provide additional relevant materials that reflect the specified adjudication criteria.

#### Criteria

Evidence of outstanding performance may be derived from a number of different sources. The following criteria should be used by nominators as guides in the preparation of the Teaching Dossier. These criteria also form the basis for adjudication of the award. Criteria include:

#### **Pedagogic Skill**

- Effective communication of subject matter
- Evidence of innovative teaching practices
- Varied and meaningful assessments of student learning
- Evidence of curriculum development

## **Educational Leadership**

- Scholarship of teaching (e.g., publications and grants related to pedagogy)
- Evidence of effective graduate, undergraduate and TA supervision
- Mentorship of fellow faculty and TAs
- Evidence of community and/or professional involvement

## **Professional Development**

- Participation in teaching and learning societies
- Evidence of committee service
- Participation in CTLET at Brock University
- Evidence of teaching certifications

#### **Awards and Distinctions**

- Faculty teaching awards
- University teaching awards
- Provincial/National teaching awards
- Professional teaching distinctions

## Selection Committee

The Associate Dean, Undergraduate Affairs, of the Faculty of Applied Health Science will annually establish a selection committee to adjudicate nominations and choose the award winner. The section committee shall consist of representation from the faculty, staff, and students within the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences, and one external member of faculty chosen on the basis of credentials as an outstanding teacher.