

Service-Learning Excellence Program Service-Learning Teaching Award

This Award is intended to recognize and reward superior accomplishments, to provide models of excellence for fellow faculty, and to encourage all faculty to continue to perform, improve, and advance their service-learning teaching activity.

The award is made on an annual basis. All faculty including Clinical Faculty, Professors of Practice, Research faculty, Associate Deans, and Deans are eligible for these awards. Faculty may receive an Award more than once, but not more than once every three years.

The Service-Learning Teaching Award consists of a \$1000 stipend and a plaque.

Award Criteria: Awards are based on work conducted while appointed at Texas State University. In all award categories, a sustained record of achievement must be documented. In deliberations, the committee will place emphasis on accomplishments over the prior five years. Criteria includes:

1. Sustained commitment to service-learning excellence teaching of at least three years.
2. Internal/External Recognition.
3. Impact or significance of endeavors of the service-learning teaching activity.

A call for nominations will be sent out to faculty by February 15th by the SLE Program Director, faculty can self-nominate.

Documentation

Application portfolios will consist of (submitted to SLE Program email as single .pdf file):

1. Completed Application Narrative:
 1. Summary of significant teaching service-learning activities (250 words maximum).
 2. List of relevant Teaching Activities.
 3. Summary (250 words maximum) of future service-learning teaching planned and/or in progress.
2. Narrative to elucidate accomplishments of service-learning teaching. This may include a statement of personal goals or philosophy in award category and a statement that ties together activities (not to exceed 2 pages).
3. Internal/external invited letters/statements/testimonials to support accomplishments in award category (minimum of 3, not to exceed 4 letters; not considered in page count).

Required format: 5 page maximum, single-spaced, 12-point Times Font, 1 inch margins

Submission Deadline: Annual submission deadline is 11:59pm on May 1.

Application portfolios that do not conform to the above requirements will not be considered.

Submit application via email to: ServiceLearning@txstate.edu, subject line: Teaching Award

Review Process: By June 1, the SLE Program will review the applications, and make recommendations based on the criteria outlined above. The committee will forward their first, second, and third choices to the associate provost. The application forms and the names of all university-level award nominees will accompany the ranked list of finalists.

By August 1, the SLE Program Director will announce the recipients of the award.

Reporting: Faculty non-submission of course metrics results in non-eligibility for SLE Grant and Award consideration for the following academic year.