UW Bothell Chancellor’s Distinguished Mentor Award

The Chancellor’s Distinguished Undergraduate Research and Creative Practice Mentor Award honors the contribution of faculty who mentor undergraduate students in research and creative practice who exemplify the University of Washington Bothell’s commitment to undergraduate education and hold the student-faculty relationship to be paramount. The awards recognize excellence in supporting undergraduate scholars, and convey the campus's high regard for these contributions made by our faculty.

All UW Bothell faculty are eligible (tenured, tenure-track and full and part-time lecturers).

Recognition: 1 award of $2,000
Nomination Deadline: Friday, April 17, 2020

Application packet. The UW Bothell Office of Research will reach out to all nominated candidates to ask if they would like to be considered. If so, completed application packets for each candidate will be requested by no later than midnight on Friday, April 17th. Packets can be emailed to uwbur@uw.edu. Required components include:

1. Nomination letter from the Dean or senior faculty member who knows the nominee well, briefly explaining how the nominee meets the award criteria (see below).
2. Summary of nominee’s record regarding the mentoring of undergraduate research and creative practice activities This summary should contain brief descriptions of the nominee’s mentoring philosophy, process(es) and outcomes for students and include how UWB students from diverse backgrounds are mentored to be successful in undergraduate research and creative practice (3 pages maximum).
3. Letters of support from current or former undergraduate students (up to three; 1 page maximum each).

Award Criteria Although faculty may not meet all of the criteria below, awardees typically:

- Encourage research, scholarship and creative practice in undergraduate students through research efforts, as part of regularly scheduled classes, undergraduate research credits, summer research, volunteer basis, paid opportunities etc.
- Establishes clear expectations and maintains consistently high standards for quality student work
- Actively and effectively guide students' research, creative projects, and development, helping them to move from directed toward independent research and creative work
- Encourage students to share the results of their work in a manner that is appropriate to the discipline (e.g., meetings, conferences, exhibitions, performances, publications)
- Actively prepare students for future success in their career and/or graduate and professional schools
• Go above and beyond the average mentoring expectations in their school or at that stage in their career
• Pursue available funding opportunities/grants to support undergraduate research and creative activities

Award recipients will be selected by a committee of former Chancellor’s Mentor award winners and recognized at the spring faculty recognition ceremony. Award winners serve as role models to other mentors on campus on how to best support undergraduate research and creative scholarship. Award winners will be asked to serve as a resource for other faculty and the campus community.