

Opportunity for Recognition! Call for Nominations for the 2014 Excellence in Advising Support Award

The success of academic advising at Missouri State University depends on the contributions of academic advisors, student advisees, and many helpful individuals on campus who support academic advising through their work. Because the Provost's Academic Advising Council recognizes how much we rely on individuals across campus that are not academic advisors to accomplish our mission, we are offering for the second time a Missouri State University Excellence in Advising Support award to be presented during the spring semester 2014. The Provost's Academic Advising Council chair will present a plaque to an individual, team, or office who has made a significant contribution to support the field of academic advising and, equally importantly, to support academic advisors in their ability to assist their advisees. The first recipient(s) of this award will be recognized during the Master Advisor reception on March 27, 2014.

The selection committee will be comprised of four Academic Advising Council members (two staff members and two faculty members) and the previous award winner. For spring 2014 selection, the committee is comprised of Nathan Hoff (chair), Diann Thomas, Judy Pickering, Diane Leamy, and Brian Edmond (our 2013 recipient).

To nominate an outstanding individual, team, or office, please follow the application guidelines below:

- The nominator needs to write a letter of recommendation detailing the contributions of the nominee, stating clearly how the nominee(s) directly or indirectly supports advising.
- Summarize the individual's job description or the mission of the team or office.
- Clearly identify whether an individual, an office or a team is being nominated.
- The nominator or nominee has the option of including up to four supporting items, such as letters of recommendation, brochures, manuals, news releases, and/or website link(s).
- Please use Times New Roman, 12 font type for letters of recommendation/nomination.
- The nominator needs to submit six copies of the completed nomination to Kathy Davis, Academic Advisement Center, University Hall 109. To be considered, nominations must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. Friday, January 24. Nomination packets will not be returned.

Qualifications for nomination:

1. This award recognizes significant contribution(s) to academic advising at Missouri State University by an individual, an office, or a team.
2. The nominated individual(s) must not have any assigned advisees.
3. The nominated individual must be employed at the university as a full-time faculty or staff member for a minimum of two years at time of nomination. If an office or team is nominated, the office or team must be in existence for a minimum of two years at the time of nomination.
4. The nominator needs to write a letter of nomination for the nominee.
5. Current members of the Provost's Academic Advising Council are not allowed to nominate or to be nominated.

Excellence in advising support can take many forms. The Provost's Academic Advising Council wishes to recognize individuals, teams, or offices whose work has a substantial, positive impact on the delivery of academic advising services at Missouri State University, either through participation in a particular project or through sustained outstanding service to advisors and students.

If you would like to know if an individual, team, or office is qualified to be nominated or if you have questions pertaining to this award, contact Kathy Davis at KathyDavis@missouristate.edu or 417 836-5258.