

Call for Nominations: Excellence in Advising: Graduate Student Contribution

The Provost's Academic Advising Council has created a new award to be given for the first time during spring 2014. The purpose of this award is to recognize the contributions of graduate students to the success of academic advising at Missouri State University.

Qualification for Nomination:

1. Nominee must be a current Missouri State University student at the time of nomination and at the time of award acceptance.
2. Nominee must not have received this award previously or have previously received a MACADA/NACADA graduate student annual conference scholarship.
3. Nominee must be one of the following:
 - a. Graduate assistant with advising responsibilities or a significant contribution to an academic advising-related project.
 - b. Graduate practicum/internship student with advising responsibilities or a significant contribution to an academic advising-related project.

Criteria for Selection:

1. This award recognizes an individual graduate student's demonstration of outstanding academic advisement or significant contribution to an academic advising-related project.
2. Candidates for this award may be nominated by a Missouri State faculty and/or staff member.

Application Packet*:

1. Letter of nomination (nominated by MSU faculty/staff/student)-5 copies. Letter of nomination should be no more than two single-sided pages or one double-sided page (Times New Roman 12 font type).
2. Nominee's resume-5 copies
3. Supporting materials (optional): Could include advisee feedback, academic advising-related projects (printed or electronic), and other relevant materials
4. The complete application packet must be submitted to Kathy Davis, Academic Advisement Center, University Hall 109. To be considered, application packets must be received no later than Friday, January 24 at 5:00 p.m.

*If selected as the award recipient, additional materials will be required for state (MACADA) and/or national (NACADA) recognition consideration and may include requested attendance at the conference of consideration. Additional materials may include the following:

- Statement of current area of study and career goals
- Annual NACADA Conference Participant Questionnaire
- Two letters of recommendation from University officials, with one being from an instructor in your field of study.

- Post-conference reflection statement.

Selection Committee:

- The selection committee will be comprised of four Academic Advising Council members (two staff members and two faculty members) and the previous award winner. The 2014 selection committee will be: Nathan Hoff (chair), Diann Thomas, Judy Pickering, Diane Leamy and Brian Edmond.
- The committee should be comprised of a minimum of two different colleges and/or offices.
- If the previous award winner is unable to serve the following year, an additional Academic Advising Council member will be appointed to serve on the selection committee in lieu of the previous award winner.
- The Provost's Academic Advising Council chair will not serve on the selection committee.
- The Director of the Academic Advisement Center will not serve on the selection committee.

Award Ceremony:

- Award will be a plaque. There is no monetary award from the University. State and/or national conference scholarships may be earned if additional award recognition is received from the respective state/national academic advising conference.
- Provost's Academic Advising Council chair will present the award at the Excellence in Advising Awards ceremony in March.
- The first recipient will be in March 2014.