

UNIVERSITY of Manitoba

Faculty of Agricultural & Food Sciences Excellence in Teaching Award Terms of Reference

The **Excellence in Teaching Award** is established by the Faculty of Agricultural & Food Sciences (FAFS) to recognize exceptional contributions to the teaching mandate of the Faculty. The award is based on achievements in one or more of the following categories:

- 1. Development of new undergraduate and/or graduate courses
- 2. Leadership in, or substantial contributions to, curriculum review or development
- 3. Research in educational pedagogy
- 4. Integration of faculty research in undergraduate education
- 5. Enhancement of student learning through the use of service or experiential learning activities
- 6. Mentorship of students participating in national or international competitions
- 7. Facilitating a challenging, engaging and stimulating learning environment
- 8. Authorship of a textbook
- 9. Development and delivery of stakeholder training programs
- 10. Other evidence of excellence in teaching (including exceptional SEEQ scores)

Eligibility

- Academic staff who hold an UMFA rank (professors and instructors) in the Faculty of Agricultural & Food Sciences are eligible for this award.
- Individuals must have a minimum of three continuous years of university teaching experience.
- Individuals will be eligible to hold this award only once every five years.

Process

- Nominations should be submitted to the Dean's Office by May 15 and can include self-nominations. The nomination package should include:
 - A one-page statement articulating the achievements in one or more of the categories listed above.
 Where appropriate, relevant documentation, evidence of contributions, and letters of support.

Selection Criteria

- The evaluation of nominations, including the establishment of criteria for ranking the nominations based on the criteria listed above, will be carried out by the FAFS Executive Committee.
- One award recipient will be selected in each academic year, with the selection to be made by June 30th.

Recognition

- The recipient will receive a certificate along with a grant of \$2,500 that can be used in support of either teaching or research activities. Funds must be used within the fiscal academic year (by March31st).
- Public announcement and presentation of the award will be made in a faculty-sponsored event with the recipient's name and picture posted on the Faculty's website.
- The award recipient will be invited to the President's reception for winners of teaching awards.