

2024 Graduate Dean's Award for Excellence in Mentorship

Purpose: The Graduate Dean's Excellence in Mentorship Award recognizes full-time regular UAB faculty members who have demonstrated exceptional commitment as mentors of graduate students and /or postdoctoral fellows.

Award: Each award recipient will be presented with a gift that recognizes his/her receipt of the award. Information about the award recipients will be publicized in the UAB Reporter, on the Graduate School website, and through other appropriate media.

Eligibility: Eligibility is limited to full-time UAB graduate faculty members who hold a primary appointment in one of the ten schools other than the Graduate School, or in a Joint Health Sciences department. **The individual must have held faculty status at UAB for a minimum of three years and may receive the award only once in any five-year period.**

Criteria for Selection: The awards shall be based solely on outstanding accomplishments in mentoring as demonstrated by any or all of the following:

- Ability to inspire and motivate students and/or postdoctoral fellows as they engage in research activities, seek grant support, and publish their work
- Promotion of ethical behavior and professional values among students and/or fellows
- Creation of a collaborative and constructive atmosphere for the training of students and/or fellows
- Imbue students and/or fellows with a commitment to life-long learning and professional development
- Demonstrate a supportive and open-minded attitude regarding the career development of students and/or fellows
- Serve as an outstanding role model for students and/or fellows in their performance of scholarly activities and service

Procedure for Nomination: Any member of the graduate student body, postdoctoral community, faculty, or alumni may initiate a nomination by completing and submitting, by the announced deadline, a nomination package consisting of: 1) a nomination form; 2) the nominee's CV; 3) a list of current and former UAB graduate students and postdoctoral fellows, their current status, and other achievements; 4) five letters of support from fellow faculty members and current and former trainees, including email addresses (a minimum of five letters is required for the nominee to be eligible for the award); and 5) a short bio from the mentor **not to exceed 200 words.**

The documentation submitted must clearly demonstrate that the nominee meets the selection criteria and eligibility requirements.

The Dean's Mentorship Award Selection Committee will review materials submitted for all nominees. Based on the review of those materials, the Committee will choose five award recipients.

Faculty members who have received the Mentorship Award for the years 2019 through 2023 are ineligible to be nominated for the 2024 award. For a complete list of former recipients, visit the Mentorship Awards Website at

<http://www.uab.edu/graduate/deans-award-for-excellence-in-mentorship>

NOMINATION FORM

2024 DEAN'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MENTORSHIP

SUBMISSION DEADLINE – February 7, 2024

Submit all materials to:

Kim Eaton

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Date: _____

Nominee: _____

Rank (Asst. Professor, Associate Professor, Professor): _____

Department: _____

Years as a UAB faculty member _____

List current and former pre- and postdoctoral trainees, the years that they trained with the nominee, and their current status or position:

List of individuals who will submit letters of support (Please include email addresses for all nominators: Reminder, a minimum of five nomination letters is required)

*****Please submit all nomination materials as one PDF file. The nomination packet is due no later than February 7, 2024.**