

***Purdue University North Central Teaching Awards
2010- 2011***

1. **Full-time Faculty Award for Excellence in Education:** A university-wide committee will oversee the recognition of excellence in teaching by full-time faculty members.
 - The **purpose** of the award is to provide an opportunity for the Purdue University North Central community to recognize outstanding performance in ***Learning*** (as defined by the Purdue University System).
 - The **selection** of the people receiving this award will be based on the following criteria being demonstrated by the nominee:
 - Engages students with various teaching strategies
 - Knows the subject area well
 - Incorporates technology as appropriate.
 - Promotes high levels of thinking
 - Is enthusiastic about teaching and makes the course stimulating
 - Is readily available for consultation with students
 - Encourages students to ask questions and express opinions
 - Clearly explains how students will be evaluated in the course
 - Reflects, revises and uses student feedback for improvement
 - Students feel that they have learned as a result of being in this course
 - **Special Priority:** applications that can demonstrate service learning opportunities for students are especially encouraged. This priority is not a requirement for application submission.
 - There will be one award given in each of the four colleges at PNC.
 - Recognition at the Honor's convocation and commencement, a plaque for the award recipient, a display on campus where names are added each year, and a monetary award of \$1,000.

2. **Nomination and Review Processes**
 - Nominations will be taken from faculty, students, alumni, and others from the university community.
 - ***Eligibility Requirements***
 - The award will be given to any full-time faculty member. Eligible faculty includes those who are tenured, tenure-track, and continuing lecturers.
 - A Nominee must be willing to have his/her name placed in nomination.
 - A recipient of the award must wait 3 years before being eligible to receive the award again.
 - ***Selection Process***
 - Nominations will be solicited via e-mails, student newspaper, and alumni publications.
 - The nominator will submit the name as well as a statement of why the nomination is being made.
 - Nominees will be notified and given guidelines and the date for submission of the nomination package. At this time the nominee may self-exclude.

- The nominees will submit a nomination package and that will be reviewed by the PNC Teaching Awards Committee.
- The award will be made in the spring and the recipient will be recognized during Commencement.
- **Nomination Package** – This will consist of a brief of not more than two pages prepared by each nominee with appropriate appendices attached.
 - Two Page Brief Contents:
 - ✓ Name of nominee, college affiliation
 - ✓ Statement of teaching philosophy
 - ✓ Statement of goals and discussion of innovative course design and/or activities.
 - Required Appendices:
 - ✓ Statement from nominator indicating why the nomination was made.
 - ✓ Peer review – The committee will require at least a narrative review from one faculty peer who observed the faculty member’s teaching.
 - ✓ List of all courses taught during the previous 4 semesters. Include dates and numbers of students enrolled: e.g. ENGL 101 – SP 08 – 25 enrolled.
 - ✓ Course syllabi and/or course materials that demonstrate excellence in teaching in the same time period (the recent two years)
 - ✓ Student evaluations – Results of student evaluations for the same time period, where PNC student evaluation data have been provided. The evaluation data should include all student comments on the courses taught.
 - ✓ At least two letters of support – One letter should come from the immediate supervisor or other supervisor if the immediate supervisor is not available. The other letter(s) may come from the following categories:
 - outside evaluator
 - student and/or alumni
 - faculty
 - Other Possible Appendices:
 - ✓ Any evidence that demonstrates how the nominee’s teaching meets the selection criteria listed above.
 - ✓ Any evidence that demonstrates how the nominee’s teaching positively affects student learning
- **Composition of the Awards Committee**
 - one faculty representative appointed by each of the four college deans from which a committee chair will be chosen by the committee members
 - the faculty award winners from the previous years
 - at least one senior-level students
 - one alumnus