

Service Learning Awards Nomination Form | 2012

Nominator Info (Self Nominations are accepted)

Name of person submitting nomination: _____

Please check your title:

- ☐ Faculty
☐ Staff
☐ Student
☐ Community Partner

*Community Partner Organization: _____

Telephone number: _____

Email address: _____

Nominee Info

Name of nominee: _____

Telephone number: _____

Email address: _____

Indicate the award for which this nominee is being recommended:

- ☐ Faculty Service-Learning Award
☐ Faculty Engaged Scholar Award
☐ Staff Community Service Award
☐ Undergraduate Student Service Award
☐ Graduate Student Service Award
☐ Student Organization Award
☐ Community Partner Award

*Community Partner Organization: _____

**Refer to the evaluation criteria for each award
and submit documentation to support your nomination.**

Student Award Nomination

Please indicate, with an X, which award you are nominating the student for:

Student Awards:

☐ **Undergraduate Student Service Award**

The Undergraduate Student Service Award honors one full-time undergraduate student who has made service an integral part of his/her college experience by significant contributions to the campus and community. The recipient's efforts build partnerships between the campus and community, are supported by personal reflections about the service, and demonstrate a commitment to lifelong engagement. The recipient also has demonstrated leadership by making multiple contributions to TSU and the community through community service involvement.

☐ **Graduate Student Service Award**

The Graduate Student Service Award honors one graduate student who has made service an integral part of his/her college and/or career experience by significant contributions to the campus and community. The recipient's efforts resulted in a measurable impact on the community, are supported by personal reflections about the service, and demonstrate a commitment to lifelong engagement. The recipient also has demonstrated leadership by making multiple contributions to TSU and the community through community service involvement.

Evaluation criteria are as follows:

- Evidence of the effects of his/her service participation in the community
- Evidence of his/her civic commitment, community awareness, and personal development
- Evidence of how service efforts have furthered the mission of TSU
- Evidence of innovative and sustained approaches to address an issue in the community
- Leads, inspires, and engages other students, members of the institution, or community
- Demonstrates efforts to sustain the work through developing strategies for community commitment
- Quality of reflection about the service experience

Include a brief description of the nominee's accomplishments as related to the above criteria (200-300 words).

Consider: In what ways did the nominee provide valuable service that exceeds the average student? Also, highlight why this nominee is passionate and engaged in this work.

Faculty Awards:

Please indicate, with an X, which award you are nominating the individual for:

☐ **Faculty Engaged Scholar Award**

The Faculty Engaged Scholar Award recognizes one faculty member for exemplary engaged scholarship, including leadership in advancing students civic learning, conducting community based research, fostering reciprocal community partnerships, building institutional commitments to service-learning and civic engagement, and other means of enhancing higher education's contributions to the public good.

Evaluation criteria are as follows:

- Demonstration of best practices in engaged scholarship
- Evidence of dissemination of scholarship (publications, presentations, performances, etc.)
- Scholarly activities contribute to the academic, civic, and personal growth of students

☐ **Faculty Award for Exemplary Service-Learning**

The Faculty Award for Exemplary Service-Learning honors a full-time faculty member who demonstrates excellence incorporating service-learning pedagogy into one or more courses. The recipient uses service-learning best practices as an innovative teaching tool to engage students in civic learning. The recipient's course(s) also shows evidence of critical reflection, community benefit, and reciprocity with community partners and demonstrates a commitment to advocating for service-learning on campus and beyond.

Evaluation criteria are as follows:

- Demonstration of best practices in service-learning
- Evidence of demonstrated student learning outcomes
- Evidence of sustained collaboration with community partners in course design and implementation
- Demonstration of sustained commitment by incorporating service-learning consistently for at least three academic terms
- Demonstration of leadership in advancing community engagement at TSU
- Meaningful integration of the service experience with course content (structure of the service experience, selection of community partners, use of critical reflection)
- Commitment to the academic, civic, and personal development of students

Include a copy of a course syllabus that meets the "TSU Criteria for a Service-Learning Course*" and a brief description of the nominee's accomplishments as related to the evaluation criteria above (200-300 words).

Community Partner Award:

☐ **Community Partner Award**

The Community Partner Award recognizes a community partner's outstanding work through their demonstrated impact on student learning outcomes, faculty's awareness of community needs, and understanding of academic course content. The community partner demonstrates excellence in supervision, mentoring, and placement of service-learning students in meaningful service opportunities. The community partner demonstrates evidence of efforts to reach out to the university and initiate partnerships to engage students and faculty in mutually beneficial service-learning activities.

Evaluation criteria are as follows:

- Evidence of having an active voice in the planning and implementation of service-learning
- Evidence of benefits to students
- Demonstration of effort in sustaining collaborations over time (at least 2 years)
- Commitment to the academic, civic, and personal development of TSU students

Student Organization Award:

☐ **Outstanding Student Organization Community Service Award**

The Outstanding Student Organization Award is presented to a registered and in good standing student organization for implementing an outstanding community service program into their organization for at least two years. The service-oriented organization selected as the recipient of this award will have demonstrated their understanding of social responsibility by performing services that benefit the community and campus. This organization will have generously donated their time and skills, in order to improve the quality of life within our society.

Evaluation criteria are as follows:

- Evidence of collaboration with community organizations to address community needs
- Opportunities for student leadership
- Demonstration of effort in sustaining the collaboration over time
- Documentation of number of hours of service and numbers of students involved
- Descriptions of service projects and impact on students and community

Staff/Administrator Community Service Award

☐ **Staff/Administrator Community Service Award**

The Staff/Administration Community Service Award honors a full-time staff member who demonstrates excellence in service to the community through both personal and professional volunteer service. The recipient's service activities are collaboratively developed with community members and demonstrate a commitment to advocating for service on campus and beyond.

Evaluation criteria are as follows:

- Estimated years and hours of service contributed to the community
- Evidence of positive impact in the community
- Evidence of sustained collaboration with community partners
- Demonstrated leadership in service on campus and beyond
- Evidence of professional, civic, and personal growth through the service

Nomination Information for ALL Awards

**Awards will be presented at the 2012 Community Partner Luncheon
Tuesday, April 10 11: AM – 1:00 PM
Agriculture Research Complex Auditorium**

All nominations are due by March 16, 2012

In 200-300 words describe how the nominee meets the evaluation criteria requirements of the specific award, including dates and significance of relevant accomplishments and their impact on campus and community. Limit is 300 words. Additional biographical material may be attached but is limited to 3 typed pages. For the Faculty Service-Learning Award, please attach at least one syllabus that meets TSU's published "Criteria for a Service-Learning Course*." For the Faculty Engaged Scholar Award, please attach documentation of community-based scholarship. Definitions of, and criteria for, service-learning are on the Center for Service-Learning and Civic Engagement website on the TSU website at www.tsuservicelearning.com

Please return this application in one of the following options:

By Mail : TSU Center for Service Learning & Civic Engagement Box 9503

By Email : Tammy Taylor ttaylor9@tnstate.edu

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