

# **Sustainability Faculty Award**

## Award Guidelines

The Smeal faculty sustainability award recognizes extraordinary achievement and service in advancing Smeal's sustainability goals in teaching, research and outreach.

Smeal's vision is that we will be one of the best business schools in the world in the area of sustainability through our teaching, research, and outreach. We will move toward this vision:

- 1. **Through our teaching**, we will enhance the understanding of sustainable business practices and produce knowledgeable graduates prepared to apply these practices at work and at home. We will do this by offering students an extraordinary education that is supported by curricular and co-curricular innovation.
- 2. **Through our research**, we will create knowledge relative to sustainable business practices and their impact on businesses and on society. We will do this by reinforcing the strong culture of discovery that exists among our faculty and, more broadly, enriching the Smeal community by extoling and practicing diversity, honor, integrity, and sustainability within it.
- 3. **Through our outreach**, we will work with industry and government to collaboratively provide thought leadership in understanding and implementing sustainable business practices, and demonstrate within Smeal how these business practices can enable organizational success.

### **Number of Awards:**

One award, consisting of a commemorative plaque and \$500, is given each year to a Smeal faculty member, assuming a nominee is approved by the selection committee.

### **Eligibility:**

All full-time Smeal faculty of all ranks, except those serving on the selection committee and their supervisors.

### **Nomination Process:**

The Dean/Senior Associate Dean will send a formal announcement via e-mail in April. Smeal faculty, staff, and students submit nominations for the award. Self-nominations are also acceptable. A nomination must include the name of the nominator, the name of the nominee, and a brief supporting statement regarding the contributions of the nominee. Selection of the award recipient is not determined based upon the quantity of nominations, but by the quality of the nomination. Nominations should be emailed to Erik Foley at erik@psu.edu.

#### **Selection Committee:**

The selection committee: the Senior Associate Dean, the Director of Sustainability, and the award recipient from the prior year. NOTE: members of the hiring committee are not eligible for the award.

#### **Selection Timeline:**

The award will be made within two weeks of the close of nominations. The award recipient will also be recognized at the start of the following academic year during the Dean's Fall Faculty/Staff Meeting.

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