

FACULTY RECOGNITION

Recognition awards are given out annually to faculty and staff for their contributions to better the college. Awards are presented at a year-end celebration in May. Nominations are requested by the Provost's office early spring. The following awards are specific to Dunwoody faculty.

Distinguished Teacher Award

Nominations for this award are submitted by academic deans and directors. Recipients are selected by the Provost and approved by the President's Cabinet. The award is given to a faculty member who has committed a significant portion of their career to the art of teaching, and who demonstrates an ongoing commitment to education and lifelong learning. Specifically, the criteria include:

- Demonstrated excellence in teaching
- Consistent ability to instill critical and creative thinking skills in their students
- Demonstrated commitment to developing their own pedagogical skills in themselves and those new to the profession of teaching
- Demonstrated commitment to the field of education
- Demonstrated commitment to building effective relationships with both secondary education and industry

Outstanding Academic Innovation Award

Nominations for this award come from academic deans and directors. Recipients are selected by the Academic Leadership Council and approved by the Provost. The award is given to faculty members who demonstrate a commitment to implement innovative instructional strategies in the classroom; or to pursue academic research, publication, or presentation; or to build and sustain industry collaboration to inform their lectures and curriculum development. Specifically, the criteria include:

- Successfully experiments with innovative instructional strategies, including but not limited to the implementation of technology in the classroom
- Outstanding academic innovation or achievement such as research, publication, presentation, or industry collaboration that enhances the instructor's competence in subject matter and overall instructional ability

Instructor of the Year Award and EMerging instructor of the year award

Nominations for these awards come from students. Recipients are selected by the Academic Leadership Council and approved by the Provost. The criteria include:

- Commitment to the students' academic success
- Serves as a professional role model to students and colleagues
- Aims for academic excellence in curriculum development
- Aims for academic excellence in instruction

Faculty who have taught at Dunwoody for less than 3 years are eligible to be nominated for the Emerging Instructor of the Year Award. Faculty who have taught at Dunwoody for a minimum of 3 years are eligible to be nominated for the Instructor of the Year Award.