UNT Foundation *Faculty Leadership Award* Call for Nominations



Award Description:

The UNT Foundation Faculty Leadership Award recognizes a faculty member who significantly impacts the academic enterprise of the university by their leadership and service. The award recipient demonstrates a high degree of professionalism, is committed to the university's strategic mission, and encourages others to support and work toward the public good through innovative initiatives. The award acknowledges individual and organizational excellence in leadership as demonstrated by the impact of their work at the university, state, national and/or international level. The annual award carries a one-time \$5,000 payment and an engraved commemorative gift.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Must have served the University of North Texas for a minimum of five (5) years.
- Must be a full-time professional faculty or tenure-track/tenured faculty member in good standing at the time of the nomination.
- Must demonstrate transformative and highly impactful leadership by empowering groups and facilitating change at the university, local, national, and/or international level. Activities encompassed by the award may be outstanding singular accomplishments *beyond and within the context of the nominee's current role* (e.g., academic unit, professional organization/society, faculty governance), emerging or innovative leadership initiatives, or longstanding accomplishments. Leadership in administrative roles will be considered, but preference will be given to leadership outcomes and impacts made in the faculty role.

Nomination Procedures:

A faculty member who meets the above criteria may be nominated by any UNT faculty member or employee with in-depth knowledge of the accomplishments of the nominee. Self-nominations will not be accepted. Nominators should inform nominees that they are being nominated and may solicit their assistance in preparing the nomination materials. The nomination should include the following materials:

- 1. Table of contents.
- 2. Two-page personal narrative describing the nominee's leadership philosophy and the role of the nominee in impacting change through their guidance and influence.
- 3. A listing of accomplishments, outcomes, and impacts resulting from leadership initiatives that the nominee directly led or was responsible for. This award recognizes accomplishments in which the leader played a significant role. Leadership accomplishments in administrative roles should be separated from those accomplished while primarily in a faculty role.
- 4. Two supporting letters addressing the quality and impact of the nominee's leadership contribution supporting letters may be requested from deans, department chairs, PAC committees, other university colleagues, students, and/or colleagues outside the university. Only two support letters will be reviewed.
- 5. Complete and updated curriculum vita.

Submission Process:

The nominator should submit the nomination packet via the <u>Faculty Success InfoReady Portal</u> by **5:00 p.m. on October 9, 2025.** Only complete applications will be reviewed. Please submit to the award titled "UNT Foundation Faculty Leadership Award." Please contact <u>Faculty Success</u> with any questions.

Selection Process:

An award selection committee, appointed by the Provost and President, will represent the faculty at large, the Faculty Senate Executive Committee, and the UNT Foundation. The Vice Provost for Faculty Success will serve as the non-voting chair of the committee. The 2026UNT Foundation Faculty Leadership Award will be presented at the Salute to Faculty Excellence Awards ceremony in the spring term.