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Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

February 10, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: UNT Faculty

FROM: Christy Crutsinger, Vice Provost for Faculty Success

RE: U.S. Professors of the Year Awards Program

The Office of Faculty Success is accepting nominations for the [U.S. Professors of the Year Awards Program](#). This program, sponsored by CASE and the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, salutes the most outstanding undergraduate instructors in the country—those who excel in teaching and positively influence the lives and careers of students. UNT has the opportunity to nominate up to three faculty members for this prestigious award, with recognition at both the state and national levels. National award winners will receive \$5,000; an all-expense paid trip for the winner, one guest, and a current or former student to Washington D.C. for the November awards celebration; recognition at an evening congressional reception; and more.

Candidate Qualifications:

Faculty members across all ranks are eligible. Nominees must have taught at the undergraduate level, part or full-time, for at least one semester in the 2013-14 academic year. Materials will be judged using the following criteria:

- Impact on and involvement with undergraduate students
- Scholarly approach to teaching and learning
- Contributions to undergraduate education in the institution, community and profession
- Support from colleagues and current and former students

Institutional Selection Process:

Interested candidates must submit a one page curriculum vitae (i.e., a concise summary of education, teaching experience, teaching awards, publications, service, and other significant contributions) and a personal statement (i.e., summary describing key contributions made as an undergraduate teacher). Please refer to the [U.S. Professors of the Year Awards Program](#) website for examples of nomination materials. Submit your curriculum vitae and personal statement to faculty.success@unt.edu by **February 24, 2014**. The Distinguished Teaching Professor Review and Selection Committee will evaluate the materials and notify the UNT nominees no later than **March 3, 2014**.

U.S. Professor of the Year Selection Process:

Formal nominations are due on **April 14, 2014**. UNT nominees will be responsible for preparing and uploading their nomination packets, with guidance from the Office of Faculty Success. Should nominees care to obtain preliminary feedback on their personal statements, they may send a draft of that essay to Dr. James Duban (jduban@unt.edu), Director for Nationally Competitive Scholarships. The application fee of \$95.00 will be covered by the Office of Faculty Success.

I hope that you will consider submitting your materials or encouraging a colleague to do so. What better evidence of UNT's support of Bold Goal #1- Providing the Best Undergraduate Education in Texas, than receiving this national recognition? For more information, please contact Christy Crutsinger at 940.369.7911 or christyc@unt.edu.

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