Outstanding First-Year Advocate Award
Fall 2016

This national award honors individuals on college and university campuses who serve as outstanding advocates involved in high-impact practices for undergraduate first-year students. The award is given at the Annual National Conference on the First-Year Experience in February, and is sponsored by the National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience at the University of South Carolina. More information about this may be found at http://www.sc.edu/fye/awards/advocates/index.html.

Who can be nominated? Faculty, advisor, administrator, professional staff, or student, who serves as an advocate for first-year students at a regionally accredited college or university may be nominated or self-nominate. This award is targeted towards individuals who serve as an activist, intercessor, and/or supporter for first-year students--someone who is passionate about new students’ success.

What is the timeline for the nomination and selection process? Nominations are due to Faculty Senate’s Awards, Bylaws and Elections (ABE) Committee by Friday, September 29, 2016. ABE will forward the finalists to the Office of the Provost. The University’s nomination will be submitted online prior to October 17, 2016. All nominees will be notified of the selection committee's decisions by December 9, 2016. Award recipients will be formally recognized at the Annual Conference on The First-Year Experience in February.

How is a nomination made? The nomination form must be completed, including a one-page letter of nomination, supporting narrative (not to exceed 5 pages), copy of the nominee’s resume or vitae, and at least one to two supporting letters from colleagues or students. Nominations must be sent electronically to Joseph.Mollick@tamucc.edu and must be received by 5:00 p.m. on September 29, 2016.

Form and accompanying information found at http://faculty-senate.tamucc.edu/fac_awards.html

For further information please contact: Dr. Joseph Mollick, Chair, Faculty Senate Award, By-Laws, & Election (ABE) Committee