

## UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

### ANNUAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT

**PURPOSE:** To recognize and encourage excellence in engaged university outreach programs.

**NATURE:** The award consists of an honorarium of \$5,000 and an appropriate plaque.

**ELIGIBILITY:** The award is to be given to a University of Idaho faculty member for excellence in extending the university knowledge base through collaboration with communities or groups that demonstrates a mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources in a context of partnership and reciprocity. The work recognized may be a single significant contribution or an accumulation of significant contributions that have received regional or national recognition.

**NOMINATION:** Any University of Idaho faculty member may place in nomination the name of a colleague. To do so he or she must provide:

1. A letter of nomination highlighting the nominee's major outreach/engagement programs, accomplishments and impacts.
2. A complete biographical sketch including:
  - a. Academic degrees, dates and institutions.
  - b. A list of the nominee's major outreach/engagement programs and the impact of these.
  - c. Other contributions emanating from the nominee's UI work experience.
  - d. Recognition of the nominee's outreach/engagement teaching, research, Extension, or service activity (awards, citations, honors, etc.).
3. Describe the nominee's:
  - a. Excellence in researching, planning, teaching, and documenting impact in his/her outreach/engagement program area or subject field (list, for example, methods used in identifying the need for this program; methods used to bring about and document clientele change, etc.).
  - b. Results and/or impact of this outreach/engagement activity or effort on citizens, communities, and/or industry.
  - c. Dedication to subject field of outreach and engagement (describe, for example, the candidate's past and current activities contributing to stature as a faculty, influence on colleagues within the land-grant university system and among collaborators from partner agencies throughout the state or area; basic objectives in present program area).
4. Provide a brief bio (**must be 450 to 500 words**) outlining the nominee's academic degrees, dates, and institutions, and major outreach/engagement programs, accomplishments and impacts.

5. Attach supporting letters from:
  - a. Recognized practitioners (non-UI) in the field who can speak knowledgeably of the candidate's contributions (two letters).
  - b. Professional colleagues who can speak to the candidate's excellence in outreach/engagement education (three letters). (Please note: The candidate should not be encouraged or permitted to solicit letters supporting this nomination).
  
6. Supporting documentation (such as printed materials, programs, reports, etc.) may be included provided these are restricted to the work on which the nomination is based (not more than five pieces).

Up to two additional awards of \$2,500 may be made to nominations of exceptional merit. All nominations will be kept on file and reconsidered for two additional years; however, the nomination must be reactivated by the nominator each year. Please submit four copies of each nomination by January 25, 2010 to Excellence in Outreach and Engagement Award Committee, University of Idaho, P.O. Box 442338, Ag Sciences Bldg Room 48, Moscow, ID 83844-2338.