FACULTY TEACHING AWARD
Revised and approved by Faculty Council, March 25, 2009

Description
- To encourage and recognize excellence in undergraduate teaching in the Faculty of Agricultural, Life & Environmental Sciences

Eligibility
- Continuing academic staff in Categories A1.1 (Tenure track), A1.2 (Administrative Professional Officers), A1.3 (Faculty Service Officers), A1.4 (Librarians), A1.5 (Soft tenure Faculty), A1.6 (part-time continuing academic staff), Temporary academic staff (Categories A2.1 and A2.2) as well as staff in Categories A3.1 and A3.2 (Trust staff), with at least three years teaching experience (and who have taught at least 18 credits) at the University of Alberta are eligible for this award. [Three years is defined as contracts in three different academic years. (Note: The University of Alberta Academic Year is counted from July 1 to June 30)]
- Nominees must have been teaching within the last 24 months of the date of nomination
- Each winner is ineligible for reconsideration for the award for the following five years

Criteria
- Same criteria as the Rutherford Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching
- Exhibits a consistently superior command of the subject matter
- Demonstrates excellent planning and organization in course outlines and objectives, reading and laboratory assignments, handouts, projects, grading schemes, examinations and all other material associated with undergraduate courses
- Instills vital interest in and enthusiasm for the subject on the part of students
- Strongly encourages and fosters independent study
- Generates a desire for continued learning
- Strongly encourages students to be critical, to think independently and to solve problems
- Presents the subject matter at an appropriate level of rigor
- Requires that students have a comprehensive, coherent understanding of the subject matter
- Consistently demonstrates a concern for student progress and is available and approachable for out-of-classroom consultation
- Is a valuable resource for both students and colleagues

Application Package
- Name(s) of nominee(s)
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- Nomination letter by students and/or staff
- Teaching dossier of the nominee
- Any supporting material the nominators or nominee deem appropriate

Application Deadline
- Nominations must be submitted to the Associate Dean (Academic) by October 4, 2010