NACTA TEACHING AWARD OF MERIT

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

Eligibility
- Full time continuing staff member in the Faculty of Agricultural, Life & Environmental Sciences teaching in agriculture
- Must be responsible for at least one course equivalent in teaching in the Faculty in the previous year

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)
- Name(s) of nominator(s)
- 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.