Excellence in Online Teaching

The purpose of this award is to recognize an outstanding instructor who has creatively used online technologies to teach courses through South Dakota State University. The recipient must have designed and taught one or more online courses with an imaginative approach, well-designed course materials and instructional strategies, developed a positive relationship with course participants, and produced effective learning outcomes.

Award Criteria:

**Imaginative Approach:** The instructor has applied a creative approach to online teaching; such as, gaining knowledge and comfort in using various technologies, developing unique course goals/activities/assessments, and using technology to effectively communicate with and engage students.

**Quality of Course Materials and Instructional Strategies:** Course materials were created to stimulate learning and instructional strategies were used to engage students in the learning process.

**Learner Satisfaction:** The instructor has developed a positive relationship with learners.

**Effective Learning Outcomes:** The instructor has demonstrated success in teaching desired learning outcomes.

A completed nomination should include the following supporting information:

- Your name and email address
- Name and department of nominated instructor
- A brief description of why this faculty member deserves recognition based upon the above award criteria.

One award of $1,500 may be given and should be used to support online teaching activities.

**Due Date:** December 1st. Award announcements will be made during the [Celebration of Faculty Excellence](#).

**Submit to:** Office of Academic Affairs, [sdsu.office.academicaffairs@sdstate.edu](mailto:sdsu.office.academicaffairs@sdstate.edu)

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Nomination Form

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