

## **Bush Excellence Award for Faculty in International Teaching**

The Bush Excellence Award for Faculty in International Teaching is given annually by the George & Barbara Bush Foundation in recognition of faculty who make outstanding contributions to the international education of our students. The \$2,500 award and a plaque are presented during the International Advisory Board Global Engagement Dinner held each award cycle.

### **Criteria for Selection:**

The recipient is expected to meet all requirements of the *Basic Criteria* and demonstrated excellence in the *Meritorious Criteria* outlined below:

#### *Basic Criteria:*

The recipient must have:

1. Contributed to internationalizing the education of Texas A&M students through teaching.
2. Accumulated an impressive record of effective teaching, documented through various methods such as peer and student reviews.

#### *Meritorious Criteria:*

In addition, the recipient may have:

3. Taught Texas A&M students outside the United States (Includes graduate and undergraduate courses and research projects).
4. Taught students in another country via distance education courses.
5. Taught courses at Texas A&M that have an international component.
6. Received other formal recognition of teaching success, such as The Association of Former Students Teaching Awards.
7. Demonstrated significant international teaching success over at least a three-year period of time.
8. Contributed to the expansion or enhancement of international education at Texas A&M University.

### **Eligibility:**

Nominees for this award must hold tenured or tenure-track positions or be distinguished senior lecturers at Texas A&M University (i.e., eligible for election to the Faculty Senate) and also have engaged in international teaching. International teaching Award recipients cannot receive the award more than one time.

### **Method of Nomination:**

Nomination materials must include:

1. Complete the nomination form. *The faculty member's Dean must approve this nomination form. Ensure the Dean's signature is obtained.*
2. A letter of nomination signed by the nominator (maximum two page limit).
3. Current vitae of the nominee (five page limit).
4. A statement from the nominee regarding his or her contribution to international teaching.
5. Letters of support (limit to two pages each) from no more than five persons familiar with and knowledgeable about the nominee's teaching. At least one of these letters must be from a student or former student. Both international and domestic letters of support are accepted.
6. Please send the original packet to **Traci Lacy** at **1245 TAMU** by the announced deadline.

**Method of Selection:**

Nominations for the International Teaching Award may be made by any Texas A&M University faculty, staff, administration, and students, and/or international colleagues.

**Final Selection:**

An anonymous committee of five persons will have final judgment in the selection of the recipients of the International Teaching Award. Additional information may be solicited by the selection committee at its discretion. The committee will be appointed as follows:

1. The Vice Provost shall appoint three members, one of whom is the chair of the committee, representing: a) Faculty/Staff with international background, b) students who have been involved in study and scholarship abroad, and c) a faculty member who has conducted scholarship abroad.
2. The speaker of the Texas A&M Faculty Senate shall appoint one member to represent the Faculty Senate's International Committee.
3. The Dean of Faculties shall appoint one member.

**Award:**

One award may be presented each award cycle. The criteria and selection process shall not be changed without the review and approval George & Barbara Bush Foundation and The Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President.

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
BUSH EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR FACULTY  
IN INTERNATIONAL TEACHING  
NOMINATION FORM**

Date submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of nominator \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of faculty nominee:** \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of years at Texas A&M** \_\_\_\_\_ **Number of years teaching** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of years teaching international or study abroad courses** \_\_\_\_\_

*I support the nomination of this faculty member for a Bush Excellence Award for Faculty in International Teaching and have ensured that the information contained in this packet is accurate.*

Dean's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach the following items in the order listed here  
(Nomination package may not exceed 25 pages).**

\_\_\_ A letter of nomination signed by the nominator (maximum two pages)

\_\_\_ A current vitae of the nominee (maximum five pages)

\_\_\_ A statement from the nominee regarding the nominee's contribution to international teaching, which may include a list of courses taught to Texas A&M students outside the United States and student projects supervised outside the United States, along with honors, awards and other recognition for noteworthy achievement in international education (maximum two pages).

\_\_\_ Letters of support (maximum two pages each) from up to five persons familiar with the nominee's teaching. At least one of these letters must be from a student or former student. A balance of international and domestic letters is expected.

\_\_\_ *Optional - Up to two documents providing evidence or examples of exemplary teaching (maximum five pages for all documentation).*

**Return this as an electronic completed form with letters and attachments to**

**Traci Lacy [tlacy@tamu.edu](mailto:tlacy@tamu.edu)  
Questions? call 979-862-6700**