

## **Graduate Program Student and Faculty Awards**

The following awards recognize faculty and student efforts that have enhanced the graduate program or department through educational activities. Ideally, awards will be presented at the June department meeting. The overall goal is to acknowledge outstanding educational endeavors by students and faculty.

- 1) **Golden Apple Award for Excellence in Teaching**
  - a. For recognizing excellence in teaching and an altruistic commitment to student classroom learning.
  - b. Student committee solicits nominations and selects awardees.
  - c. Awardees are ineligible the following year.
  - d. Committee presents up to two (2) awards each year, but is not obligated to present any awards.
  
- 2) **Outstanding Faculty Mentor**
  - a. For recognizing excellence in dissertation and thesis advising and/or dedicated mentoring with an altruistic commitment to student learning beyond the classroom.
  - b. Student committee solicits nominations and selects awardees.
  - c. Awardees are ineligible the following year.
  - d. Committee presents one (1) award each year.
  
- 3) **Distinguished Teaching Assistant**
  - a. For recognizing excellence in teaching and a dedication to peer education.
  - b. Faculty and student committee solicits nominations and selects awardees.
  - c. Awardees are ineligible the following year.
  - d. Committee presents one (1) award each year.
  
- 4) **Commodore Award in Biostatistics**
  - a. For recognizing student efforts that have enriched the department and/or graduate program through ingenuity, dedication, and altruism.
  - b. Faculty committee solicits nominations and selects awardees.
  - c. Awardees are ineligible the following year.
  - d. Committee presents one (1) award each year.
  
- 5) **WS Gossett Award for Exceptional Research**
  - a. For recognizing exemplary dissertation/thesis work or for exceptional contributions to a research project/collaboration.
  - b. Faculty committee solicits nominations and selects awardees.
  - c. Prior awardees are ineligible.
  - d. Committee presents one (1) award each year.

## **Selection Committees**

The student body will determine the composition and function of the student committee. The chair of the committee, who is responsible for maintaining the integrity of the selection process, must be approved by the DGS. Professor Dupont will serve as faculty advisor to the committee, if needed. The faculty selection committee will be chaired by the DGS and will have voting members selected from graduate program faculty (i.e., faculty who are either teaching or advising students in the graduate program).